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Ansaldo STS wins contract for railway signalling and command and control system in Tunisia

- **The contract is worth EUR 18.4 million**
- **The company gains a foothold on the North African market**

Through subsidiary Ansaldo Segnalamento Ferroviario and as part of a consortium led by Alstom, Ansaldo STS has acquired a contract to supply signalling and command and control systems for the rail network in the *Banlieue sud de Tunis* region from Tunisia's national railway company SNCFT.

Ansaldo STS' share of the contract is worth EUR 18.4 million.

The contract includes: designing, manufacturing and making operational the computer based interlocking of Tunisia's largest station, *Tunis Ville*, and that of the *Borj Cedria* railway depot; modernising and extending the existing automatic command and control system of the whole line of the southern suburbs of Tunis; and adapting and modifying station signalling systems to ensure they are compatible with the new electric traction provided by Alstom.

The system is expected to be delivered in 24 months.

AnsaldoSTS' systems are already used in 26 countries worldwide, and this contract gives the company a foothold in North Africa, a market that offers further opportunities and significant growth potential.

This contract increases AnsaldoSTS' order backlog, estimated at around EUR 3 million at the end of 2007, and confirms the company is set on a path of continuous growth.

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