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Ansaldo STS wins High Speed Line contract in France

- **The contract has a value of EUR 23 million**

Ansaldo STS (STS.MI), through its subsidiary Ansaldo STS France, has been awarded a contract by Réseau Ferré de France (RFF) to supply the wayside signalling system for the eastern branch of the new Rhine-Rhone High Speed Line.

The contract has a value about on EUR 23 million.

Ansaldo STS will provide the design, data configuration, installation and tests of SEI TVM equipment with interlocking control functions, Track Circuits UM and Hot Box Detectors.

The first section of the line from Villers Les Pots to Petit Croix will consist on 140 km of high speed line (350 km/h) and includes two main stations: Besançon TGV and Belfort-Montbéliard TGV. In total, the Rhine-Rhone High Speed Line will be 425 km long and comprise three branches.

The project duration is estimated at 39 months for the completion by end of 2011.

This new contract strengthens Ansaldo STS' leading position on European railway High Speed networks.

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