

Contract win - Kontron signs contract with Iarnród Éireann- Irish Rail

Kontron Transportation and Irish Rail signed long-term contract for a state-of-the-art train communication system

Vienna / Feb 12, 2024 – With these milestone contracts, Iarnród Éireann- Irish Rail and Kontron Transportation have entered into a relationship to guarantee the continued availability and operability of the digital train communication system.

It will ensure the continued deployment of the proven and standardized GSM-R (Global System for Mobile Communication – Railway) on the Iarnród Éireann- Irish Rail network and the support of the operational railway until the replacement mobile communication system is available and approved for use on the Iarnród Éireann- Irish Rail network and fully deployed.

“The GSM-R solution provided by Kontron and its technology partners meets our current and future requirements. Their methodology of maintaining the legacy system was the most practical option available and suits our capital investment model best. Projects such as the DARTt+ (Dublin Area Rapid Transit) programme, designed to extend DART services in the greater Dublin area or the National Train Control Centre simply couldn’t happen without the continued availability & reliability of the Kontron GSM-R network”, says Thomas Quigley, National Telecoms Manager, Iarnród Éireann.

“We are very pleased about the very good collaboration and long-term partnership with Irish Rail. As a driving force in the definition of future communication standards, we offer our customers the possibility of a smooth migration and coexistence between GSM-R and a next generation mobile communication system. For this, we have developed a programme that guarantees the availability of GSM-R maintenance and support for as long as customers need it”, says Richard Neussl, COO Kontron Transportation.

About Kontron Transportation GmbH

Kontron Transportation GmbH is a global leading supplier of dedicated end-to-end communication solutions for mission-critical networks that offers tailor made solutions to support its customers with their communication challenges. The company's focus is to produce, transport and process voice, data and video information reliably and securely in an efficient and sustainable way. The core product portfolio includes GSM-Railways, FRMCS (future railway mobile communication system), MCx (mission-critical over public networks), 4G/5G public network solutions and IIoT solutions focusing on data processing. Main customers are railways and public transport operators all over Europe. Kontron Transportation drives the evolution into the next generation of broadband solutions for mission-critical networks, for instance as an associated member of the European research initiative Shift2Rail. The company has more than 650 employees, 12 sites all over Europe and is headquartered in Vienna.

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