

# XRAIL Group awarded 4-year maintenance sub-contract on major high-speed corridor in Spain

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**XRAIL Group** has announced it has won a long-term maintenance sub-contract in Spain on the Madrid-Levante high-speed network.

The Madrid-Levante high-speed network connects Madrid with the Mediterranean coast of the Levante Region, specifically it runs through four Autonomous Communities: Madrid, Castilla-La Mancha, the Valencian Community and the Region of Murcia.

The Madrid-Levante network is one of the most important high-speed corridors in Spain. It offers the provincial capitals of Castilla-La Mancha far better access to high-speed trains, while bringing Murcia closer to the Spanish capital, Madrid. All cities along its route enjoy considerably reduced journey times, making life easier for local commuters. For example, the journey time between Madrid and Valencia has been cut by more than half, from 202 to 90 minutes.

Over the next 4-years, starting from this month, **XRAIL** has been sub-contracted to deliver 24-7, 365 days a

year of Corrective and Preventive maintenance services for the signalling systems and technical buildings of the Madrid-Levante high-speed network with our teams across four maintenance centres. The network boasts state-of-the-art Digital Railway signalling and communications system, ERTMS levels 1 and 2. When fully operational the Madrid-Levante network will total 955 km of high-speed rail capable of top speeds of 350 km/h.

**XRAIL Group** are proud to be a leading exporter of British railway expertise. In 2020, XRAIL was recognised as part of the London Export Champions by the Department for International Trade for its dissemination of railway expertise from the United Kingdom to the Middle East.

Munir Patel, CEO, XRAIL said: "This is another great achievement for XRAIL Group and our team. We are delighted and honoured to have been selected as a key maintenance partner by our client for the Madrid-Levante high-speed network.

"This our first major contract win in Spain, and we are extremely proud of it. Our teams have invested significant time, effort and resources to demonstrate the best of British railway engineering can be exported to mainland Europe and we are excited to be given this opportunity by our Client. We look forward to continuing to build on our successful and long-term relationships with our partners across the whole of Europe."

Rail Minister Chris Heaton Harris said: "UK engineering is world beating and it is great to see it being so well represented abroad as we build Global Britain.

"XRAIL's new contract will mean it's British minds and expertise keeping a major part of Spain's transport infrastructure running for the coming years."

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