

DAKAR TER REGIONAL EXPRESS LINE: TSO DELIVERS THE NEW FREIGHT LINE THAT LINKS DAKAR WITH DIAMNIADIO

For the Dakar TER regional express project, the consortium of NGE Contracting, CIM and CDE led by TSO has completed work on rebuilding the historic 'metre-gauge' rail freight line. The new rail link is designed to substantially improve reliability of rail traffic to and from Dakar, eliminate derailment risks and optimise the line to handle increased traffic volumes.

Acting on behalf of the Ministry of Infrastructure, Land Transport and a Better-Connected Nation, APIX (Senegal's National Agency for Investment Promotion and Major Projects) awarded the TSO-led consortium the contract to lay 51 km of new rail track in just 2 years.

To deliver this project successfully, TSO hired and trained up to 160 employees and installed:

- 86,000 sleepers
- 5,700 tonnes of rails
- 23 points and crossovers
- 150,000 tonnes of ballast



The new freight line will play a major role in the future economic development of Dakar by offering a new, up-to-date, safe and efficient communication route to respond decisively to the infrastructure needs of this fast-growing region.

For this project, TSO applied an operational proven proven in France and around the world to ensure high levels of performance and security:

- the majority of the work was carried out by experienced teams and equipment owned by the company. In addition to traditional ballast tampers, ballast grading and levelling wagons and other on-track hardware, TSO brought in its most advanced rail welder to work on this line
- maintaining full control of the technical preparation work, purchasing and the entire logistics chain made it possible to ensure continuity of supply throughout the project
- formalised processes, highly detailed preparation and follow-up, and the use of tailor-made production methods and team training all contributed to guaranteeing the quality of work done and full compliance with international standards
- the spirit of entrepreneurship that drives our teams to meet the day-to-day needs of their customer and the expectations of partners and local authority representatives.



We hear from...

SYLVAIN PELTIER

COUNTRY MANAGER - SENEGAL

This project has been a human, logistical and technical challenge that we have successfully met in an on-site environment with high levels of parallel working. Our success with this project has been achieved thanks to the commitment shown by all our teams to embrace continual adaptation to meet the needs of our customer. I'm particularly proud of the exceptional involvement of team members, which once again - and especially so given the health concerns of recent weeks - highlights their responsiveness, their ability to adapt working methods, and their strict enforcement of personal protective measures to complete the work under conditions that guaranteed the safety of everyone working on the project.



MICHEL VINAY

DIRECTOR, FRANCOPHONE AFRICA

This was our first new rail infrastructure project in Senegal. It has also been an excellent springboard for the NGE Group, because it demonstrates our ability to deliver infrastructure projects in Senegal as the basis for developing our global multi-expertise offering.



Key figures

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- **57,000 tonnes of rails**
- **23 points and crossovers**
- **150,000 tonnes of ballast**

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