

## Press release

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### City transport and sustainable mobility: Panama City Metro Line 2

## **On March 15, 2023, TSO and CIM inaugurate the extension of the L2 of the Panama Metro, which connects the Tocumen International Airport to the network.**

**On March 15, 2023, TSO, subsidiary of NGE and its partner CIM, subsidiary of John Cockerill, celebrate the inauguration of Panama City Metro Line 2 extension. The event was attended by the President of the Republic Laurentino Cortizo and the Director of the Panama Metro Hector Ortega.**

This new 2.2 km extension, which begins at the *Corredor Sur* station on line 2, serves two new stations: *ITSE* and *Aeropuerto*. It will benefit all residents, more than 5,000 students on the campus of the Higher Technical Institute of Tocumen "ITSE" and 8,000 employees of the Tocumen International Airport, which welcomed more than 15.7 million passengers in 2022, as well as its visitors.

TSO and CIM teams carried out the design, supply and installation of the track and the rigid catenary on this extension project.

Since 2011, TSO and CIM have been committed to sustainable mobility in Panama and positioned themselves as major players in the 2040 Master Plan launched by Metro de Panamá, S.A. During this period, the companies have, together, designed, supplied and installed the rail equipment for lines 1 and 2 of the Panama Metro and were awarded the maintenance contracts for both lines. These two lines, which were inaugurated in 2014 and 2019, total 37 kilometres and carry more than 180,000 passengers per day.

Currently, the teams are carrying out the design, supply and installation of the track and rigid catenary for the Villa Zañita North extension of line 1 of the Panama Metro.

#### **Other TSO – CIM references on the Panama City Metro network :**

2010 – 2014: Construction of line 1  
2014 – ongoing: Maintenance of line 1  
2015 – 2019: Construction of line 2  
2019 – ongoing: Maintenance of line 2  
2022 – ongoing: Construction of line 1 extension

**About TSO, rail subsidiary of the NGE Group.**

Capitalising on more than 90 years of experience, **TSO** brings its experience to all railway works and systems (construction, renovation and maintenance of railroads, electrification and restructuring of catenaries, topography and development of railway software, railway safety...). Focused on technological innovation, **TSO** supports the research for improvements by combining quality, efficiency of services and safety of personnel. The development of synergies between TSO's expertise and NGE's complementary disciplines enables the Group to offer a global service throughout the world.

**About NGE [New Generations of Entrepreneurs]**

Around the world, **NGE** teams design, build and renew infrastructure and buildings to the benefit of the regions. Thanks to their expertise and ability to work together, the Group's 16,000 employees are addressing and anticipating changes in their businesses with confidence by being close to their clients. With a turnover of €2.8 billion, **NGE** is an independent French company, which develops its activities in the construction industry and is involved in the construction of major infrastructure, and urban or local projects, in 17 countries worldwide.

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**CIM: one of the main French players in the international railway sector.**

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