

## Keolis selected by Île-de-France Mobilités as the new operator for 42 bus lines in the Marne and Brie area starting in 2025



Keolis is honoured to have been awarded Île-de-France Mobilités' concession contract (DSP) 9, a key part of the ongoing competitive tendering process for the Paris region's bus lines which began in 2019.

This contract will entail managing bus lines serving 1,215 stops across 33 municipalities in the Marne and Brie area, located in the east of the Île-de-France region. This makes Keolis the first third-party operator of bus lines in immediate Paris suburbs.

The contract, spanning eight years and valued at 900 million euros, covers the operation of six bus operations centres and 42 bus lines serving municipalities such as Chelles, Pontault-Combault, Noisy-le-Grand, Clichy-sous-Bois, and Montfermeil in the departments of Seine-Saint-Denis, Val-de-Marne, and Seine-et-Marne, benefiting 557,000 residents.

### A powerful commitment towards the mobility of the Île-de-France population and the energy transition

As the new operator of the Marne and Brie bus lines with a fleet of 350 vehicles, Keolis has undertaken to enhance service quality and passenger experience to improve the network's appeal, particularly through improved service regularity and passenger information.

Furthermore, to provide an increasingly sustainable mobility offering and meet the energy transition targets set by Île-de-France Mobilités, Keolis will commence energy conversion works at four of the area's bus operations centres from the start of the contract, to enable the operation of electric and CNG vehicles.

### A phased roll-out for a smooth transition

The contract implementation will take place in two phases: from 1 August 2025, Keolis will begin operating the outer-suburban ("grande couronne") lines, followed by the inner-suburban (petite couronne) lines from 1 November 2025.

To ensure a seamless and harmonious transition, Keolis will work closely with Île-de-France Mobilités and the current operators, guaranteeing continuity of service for passengers. Keolis will also leverage its expertise in technical and social transitions to deliver smooth network operations from day one.

### Tailored support for every employee and an attractive social package

As part of this concession contract, a new dedicated entity will be formed to welcome 1,100 employees, including 900 drivers. Keolis has acquired robust expertise in taking over large-scale networks, offering personalised support for each employee, ensuring continuity in terms of pay and providing an attractive social package.

Additionally, the company plans to recruit new employees from 2025 to reinforce existing teams and support network growth.

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## Towards a new momentum in public transport in Île-de-France

This new contract in Île-de-France is a continuation of Keolis' projects in the region, which include the management of Saint-Denis Pleyel station and the operation of metro lines 16, 17, and 18. With the award of DSP 9, Keolis strengthens its foothold in the Greater Paris region and furthers its ambition to provide a sustainable, innovative, efficient, and safe public transport service tailored to the needs of Île-de-France's communities and residents.



*"The new contract awarded by Île-de-France Mobilités represents a significant milestone for Keolis in the Île-de-France region. Building on our management of Saint-Denis Pleyel station and the upcoming operations of Grand Paris Express lines 16, 17, and 18, we are proud to enhance the Marne and Brie area's public transport network with a smooth, accessible, and high-quality bus service from 2025. As the new operator, we are committed to offering tailored support and a rewarding work environment for employees, ensuring a seamless transition for all."*

Marie-Ange Debon, Chairwoman and Group Chief Executive Officer of Keolis

## Key figures

- An eight-year contract valued at a cumulative €900 million.
- The operation of six bus operations centres and 42 bus lines serving.
- 33 municipalities in the Marne and Brie area served, representing 557,000 residents.
- 350 vehicles, including electric and CNG buses.
- 1,100 Keolis employees, including 900 drivers.

### About Keolis:

Keolis is a pioneer in developing public transport systems and works alongside public authorities who want to enhance shared mobility systems to grow the appeal and vitality of their regions. A world leader in operating automated metro and tramway systems, Keolis and its partners and subsidiaries Cykleo, EFFIA, Hove, Keolis Santé, Kisio and support the core business with innovations offering new and bespoke shared mobility solutions for modes including trains, buses and coaches, trolleybuses, on-demand transport, transport for people with reduced mobility, driver and sea shuttle services, bikes share services and long-term rental, car sharing and fully electric driverless shuttles. In France, Keolis is the second largest provider of parking management solutions through its subsidiary EFFIA, and the country's leader in medical transport since the creation of Keolis Santé in July 2017. The Group is 70%-owned by SNCF and 30%-owned by the Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec (Quebec Deposit and Investment Fund) and employs 68,000 people in 13 countries. In 2023, it posted revenue of €7.0 billion.

\* Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Denmark, France, India, the Netherlands, Qatar, Sweden, the United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom, and the United States

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