

Île-de-France Mobilités awards Keolis operation of Val d'Essonne and 2 Vallées bus network



At its Board of Directors meeting on 12 June 2026, Île-de-France Mobilités awarded Keolis the operation of DSP 31, the bus network serving the joint authorities of Val d'Essonne and 2 Vallées, in the south of the department of Essonne (south of Paris).

From 1 August 2026, Keolis will operate this suburban and rural network, serving a population of approximately 80,000 residents, for a period of six years, with two one-year extension options.

A growing area at the heart of southern Île-de-France

This contract, tendered for the first time as a public service delegation (DSP), covers a suburban and rural area structured around the RER C and RER D railway stations. The 35-line network — 23 of which are school bus services and account for approximately 50% of ridership — serves the hubs of Mennecy, La Ferté-Alais, Milly-la-Forêt and Maisse, in a catchment area welcoming over 100,000 passengers per month. Ridership grew by 18% between 2023 and 2025.

Keolis's plans include a significant increase in service provision, particularly at weekends: the Mennecy network lines (4307 and 4309) will run on Sundays, as will the on-demand transport services for both joint authorities. In the medium term it is planned to introduce express lines between Milly and Évry and between Ballancourt and Évry.



"We are proud to have been reappointed by Île-de-France Mobilités in these communities. This new public service delegation contract is an important milestone: Keolis will pay particular attention to school passengers, who represent a decisive share of the network's activity. The on-demand transport service, already optimised by Keolis during the previous contract, will be developed and made easier to use by passengers in the southern part of the region, in Milly-la-Forêt, Boutigny-sur-Essonne and Moigny-sur-École."

Frédéric Van Heems, Chairman and CEO of the Keolis Group

Energy transition, infrastructure modernisation and local partnership

As part of the contract, Keolis will support Île-de-France Mobilités in its ambitious energy transition strategy, with the gradual conversion of the fleet to 100% compressed natural gas (CNG) vehicles over the course of the DSP. On the infrastructure side, Keolis will manage a €1.8 million refurbishment of the Mennecey-Ormoy bus operations centre (COB). Île-de-France Mobilités will additionally oversee the construction of a new COB at Plaine d'Ormoy, which will be handed over to the concessionaire during the contract.

Keolis will draw on the services of a longstanding local partner, Les Cars Bleus, based in Milly-la-Forêt, who will deploy around thirty vehicles to operate a set of lines around that hub, representing 20% of the contract's commercial kilometres.

Key Figures

- **Contract start date : 1 August 2026**
- **Duration : 6 years + 2 one-year options (until 31 July 2034)**
- **Area : ~80,000 residents, Essonne (southern Île-de-France)**
- **Network : 35 lines, of which 23 school services**
- **Ridership : 100,000+ passengers/month; +18% between 2023 and 2025**

About Keolis

A pioneer in public transport, Keolis is the partner of choice for decision-makers seeking to make shared mobility a driver of attractiveness and vitality for their territories. Keolis transports an average of 9 million passengers every day through safe, efficient and environmentally responsible modes of transport. One of the world leaders in the operation of automatic metros and trams, and a major player in the rail sector, Keolis draws on an open innovation policy and works closely with its partners and specialised subsidiaries to strengthen its core business and develop new innovative, tailored shared mobility solutions. 70% owned by SNCF and 30% by La Caisse (formerly CDPO), the Group employs 68,000 women and men across 14 countries and generated revenue of €7.1 billion in 2025.

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