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AnsaldoBreda signs EUR 320 million for Madrid metro

AnsaldoBreda has signed a global service contract to fully maintain 52 S9000 trains supplied to the Madrid metro. The contract, worth approximately EUR 320 million and running for 17 years, confirms the company's special expertise in rail vehicle maintenance.

The S9000 is one of the most modern trains in the world, both in terms of safety and because it allows easy access for the disabled. It can transport 1,260 passengers and reach a maximum speed of 110 km/h, although speed is automatically regulated by sensors that monitor traffic in real time.

The contract was signed as part of a wider operating leasing transaction that will give the Madrid metro use of these trains for 17 years. The value of the contract may increase if the Madrid metro exercises options for further trains.

AnsaldoBreda is gaining solid experience in the project financing and operating leasing sector, as testified by the creation of Ferromovil 9000, a company owned 90% by Spain's main banks and 10% by AnsaldoBreda.