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Barcelona Line 9 Driverless Test Track

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L9 Turnkey system scope of work

Siemens:

- ATC Trainguard MT CBTC
- Signaling (point machines, signals, track-circuit)
- OCC (ATS, SCADA)
- Technical rooms equipment (light, UPS, air conditioning and fire protection)
- OPM

Dimetronic:

Westrace Solid State Interlockings

Third Party:

Wireless LAN (for video transmission): wayside

The leasing of the Rolling Stock is a separate contract



Scope of work

- Preliminary and detailed design (projeto constructivo)
- Manufacturing
- Installation
- Test and commissioning
- Guarantee (own spare + repair + technical assistance in case of failure)



L2 Test track





Test Track

 GISA / TMB decided first to organize a test track of Line 9 vehicles on 4 stations of Line 2 that would be used at night during off-revenue service hours.

 Alstom's series 9000 trains are equipped with both the TBS100 and CBTC



L2 Project benefited from the Line 9 project:

Trains of driverless line 9 can be used on with driver line 2.



Test Track Configuration

- 1 ATS, automatic train supervision
- 2 Zone Controllers, trackside ATC moving block CBTC
- 49 Digisafe balises
- 1 WCC 2 radio cells, train to track and train to track continous bi directionnal communication
- IO WRE radio bases with antenneas
- 2 trains
- Wayside signalling is single direction, in this test configuration routes are not controlled by the CBTC
- PSDs are simulated via a separate computer



Test Track Project Roll Out

- Project started end of August 2007 ended Early March 2007
- Installation was made with 1 month ¹/₂
- Testing hours: 00:30 and 04:30 hours
- Tests could only be performed 3 nights a week,
 3 effective hours a night (approx 100 usefull hours of tests)
- Train characterization was performed in 3 days,
 - 50 scenarii were recorded
 - 2 measurement campaigns were necessary
- In October trains were already moving in UTO
- 2 Trains have operated in UTO, demonstrating the viability of the architecture and the CBTC system
- Next Step is now the roll out of the system on Line 9 section 4 (CYQ4/08)



Train Control

• OBCU and CIU :on board ATC

- installed in the middle of the train
- CRE
 - installed in front and rear ends of the train(antennaes)
- fully redundant hot swappable configurations
- +/- 25 cm stopping accuracy





Line 9 System features

- Same Trainguard MT CBTC System as in New York, but several innovations implemented in Barcelona SW:
 - 2,4 Ghz ETSI DSSS radio
 - UTO functionalities + 4 Manual Driving Modes
 - Interface with 3rd party Solid State IXL
 - Serial Interface to PSDs



Line 9 System features

МТО

| operation mode without driver, under the full ATP | |
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| protection | |
| ΑΤΟ | |
| operation mode assisted | |
| protection | |
| ΑΤΡΜ | |
| operation mode manual | |
| driver, under the full ATP | |
| protection | |
| ATPR | |
| operation mode at sight, but | |
| max speed is supervised | |
| BYPASS | |
| fully manual at sight © Siemens Transportation Sy | stems |



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Conclusion

Success factors:

- Rollout of a mature CBTC product:
- No problem with radio (proven technology) and interfacing with AWS
- Experienced team (seasoned engineers involved in previous CBTC projects)
 - Seamless cooperation between development team/Integration FAT team/on-site test team
- New Rolling Stock, easier adaptation
- Cooperative operator and partners



Conclusion

Lessons learned:

- Focus on testing method design in the early stage of the project.
- Get an extensive test track with ATS ,IXL,PSD,...for integrated test.
- Performances,Operation modes,response time,architecture were verified and tuned intensively.
- As built Train characterization parameters, stopping accuracy, train control algorithms were tuned and demonstrated.
- Strictly negotiate the modifications of the train traction parameters
- Early transfer to the operationsstaff as much as possible of technical know how on the system in order to accelerate adoption of the technology and new operating modes
- Long integrated test track with stations is recommended reducing risk and project implementation on the target line
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