

PRESS RELEASE

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METKA APPOINTED PROVISIONAL CONTRACTOR FOR THE KIATO-RODODAFNI RAILWAY LINE PROJECT

METKA S.A. is pleased to announce its appointment as the provisional contractor for the project "**Construction of remaining infrastructure, permanent way, signalling-telecommanding, telecommunications and electrical engineering works for the tunnel facilities for the new railway line Kiato-Rododafni**" (Tender no. 715), following the decision of the Board of Directors of ERGA OSE S.A., in the context of the open call for tender.

The total budget of the projects amounts to €273,000,000 and is co-funded by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), under Priority Axis 2 of the Operational Programme "Accessibility Improvement" of the Greek NSRF 2007-2013, and is scheduled for implementation over a period of 24 months following the contract award date.

For the implementation of the project, METKA will collaborate with the international company THALES, global leader in the field of signalling and telecommanding, as well as with XANTHAKIS S.A., a Greek company specialised in railway superstructure works.

The Kiato-Rododafni railway line is part of the larger construction project for the new double railway line from Athens (SKA) to Patras and is considered an infrastructure project of significant importance, since with its implementation it will be possible to connect the Peloponnese with the modern railway network of Athens. The New Double High-Speed Railway Line KIATO-PATRAS is the extension of the new ATHENS - KORINTHOS - PATRAS New Double High-Speed Railway Line, which will link the Greek capital to Patras, the third largest economic centre of the country.

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