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Firm Lays Groundwork for Public Transit in West African Country

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February 4, 2019 — The firm advised Guinea's transport ministry in the negotiations and drafting of a \$200 million construction agreement for a Metrobus line in Conakry, the capital of the West African nation.

The project intends to help reduce traffic congestion on the streets of Conakry, home to over 1.6 million people, and the surrounding areas. The 60 automatic vehicles will have a boarding capacity of 170 passengers each, and will transport on average 60,000 passengers weekly. The buses will be equipped with information screens, security cameras and free WiFi.

Turkey's Albayrak Group (Albayrak Turizm Seyahat Insaat Ticaret AS), a major conglomerate active in construction, logistics and services, will oversee the project. The agreement, signed in August 2018, represents an important milestone in a new era of transforming and developing public transportation in Conakry.

Construction of the line is scheduled to last approximately one year, and will cover 22 kilometers from Kaloum railway station to Conakry's airport. The line will include two warehouses, dedicated lanes for buses and 23 modern stations equipped with electronic ticketing system, passenger information screens, security camera system and billboards.

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