



EGIS PROJECTS, a shareholder of the concession company autobahnplus A8 GmbH (a+), has reached financial close and started operation of the A8 motorway between Munich and Augsburg, the first A-Model project in Germany

The concession company a+ has been awarded the contract to widen a stretch of 35 km of the existing motorway A8 between the cities of Munich and Augsburg from the present 2 x 2 lanes to 2 x 3 lanes with an emergency lane to ease this chronically congested motorway. The contract has been let on the basis of design, build, finance and operate a total of 52 km for a period of 30 years. The client for this Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) contract is the Federal Government represented by the State Government of Bavaria.

The Dutch developer BAM PPP, the American company Fluor Infrastructure and the German construction company Trapp each hold a 25 per cent stake in the concession company, with EGIS PROJECTS holding 19 per cent and the German construction company Berger Bau the remaining 6 per cent. The German construction companies Wayss & Freytag (a subsidiary of BAM Group), Trapp, Berger Bau and Fluor participate with equal shares (25 per cent each) in the construction joint venture. The motorway will be operated for a period of 30 years by a special purpose company autobahnplus Services GmbH under the leadership of TRANSROUTE INTERNATIONAL, a subsidiary of EGIS PROJECTS (56%) together with Wayss & Freytag (16%), Trapp (16%) and Berger Bau (12%).

The project amounts to approximately EUR 230 million and will be fully privately financed. The concession company is entitled to receive all toll revenues from HGVs using the concession stretch (collected by Toll Collect).

Construction works on the 35 km part to be widened will be carried out in sections under the existing traffic which will require close cooperation with the motorway police and the operating company to maintain traffic on at least 2 lanes in each direction at all times.

The concession period started on 01 May 2007 with the obligation to operate and maintain the entire 52 km long concession motorway from this date onwards. This is the first of four A-Model projects presently under public tender.

In May 2005, a+ submitted a successful application for prequalification and was then selected to submit a first bid in June 2006, together with three other consortia. After being short-listed with another competitor, final bids were submitted by these two consortia in February 2007 which resulted in the award of the concession contract to a+.

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