



Press release

# RATP DEV SELECTED TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION FOR VISITORS TO THE WORLD ALPINE SKIING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FEBRUARY 2023

The Organizing Committee of the Alpine Skiing World Championships has entrusted RATP Dev to provide transportation services to spectators during the events that will take place from February 5 to 19 in Méribel and Courchevel. Ticket sales opened on December 20 to allow spectators— particularly those based in Lyon—to reserve their seats and their transportation (outward in the morning and return in the evening) to attend this world competition.

Leading a consortium of six companies including national groups with a presence in the Savoie region as well as the main local passenger transit companies, RATP Dev won the contract to transport spectators to and from the events. Other carriers in the region will be involved as subcontractors. In all, a dozen companies will lay out substantial resources to provide transportation for spectators during this busy period in the mountains.

As Director of RATP Dev France-Switzerland Serge Reynaud put it, "We were chosen because of our proven ability to organize and manage complex transportation systems during major events, as we did in 2015 at the World Rowing Championships in Aiguebelette. Our role will be to act as an interface between the various operators and the Organizing Committee to ensure the safe and comfortable transportation of passengers. For the duration of the championship events, RATP Dev and its partner transit operators, grouped together in a consortium, will offer a broad range of transportation services to and from Lyon, Grenoble, Chambéry, Annecy, Albertville, Moutiers, and Bourg-St-Maurice, as well as to and from the P+R parking lots located at the base of the valley in Bozel, La Léchère, and Aigueblanche".

# A large fleet of low-carbon passenger transit vehicles

Throughout the two-week event, 90 vehicles will be put into service to provide daily transportation for 3,000 to 4,000 spectators. **To provide the transportation service for this major event, RATP Dev and its partners will deploy a fleet of low-carbon vehicles.** To that end, RATP Dev will install a temporary Bio-NGV filling station in La Bathie, between Moutiers and Albertville, to refuel 20 vehicles.

An electric vehicle will be in service on the flagship link between the two race sites located in Méribel and Courchevel.

# A dedicated team on the ground for the duration of the event

A team of 15 people will be deployed on the ground for the duration of the competition to ensure the smooth running of transportation. The technical team is made up of employees selected among the members of the consortium.

Under the leadership of RATP Dev, the team will be in charge of daily scheduling, real-time management, regulation, reception of passengers, accessibility, as well as everyone's safety and comfort, including the employees.

### A ticket office opened on December 20th

Tickets can be purchased at <u>www.courchevelmeribel2023.com</u>. On that website, spectators can buy tickets to the events and book their outward and return transportation, including local and regional shuttle services (notably to and from Lyon with 150 seats available each day).

## **Key figures**

- 3,000 to 4,000 passengers will be transported each day to the stations where the competitions will take place
- More than 100 drivers
- 90 coaches, most of which are low-carbon vehicles
- 600 athletes competing in the events
- 200,000 spectators expected
- 75 nations represented
- 1,800 accredited journalists

#### About RATP Dev

Founded in 2002, RATP Dev operates and maintains urban transportation systems in 15 countries on 5 continents (the United Kingdom, France, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, Algeria, Morocco, Egypt, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, China, the Philippines, Australia, and the United States of America). Day by day, RATP Dev demonstrates its extensive and renowned expertise in a wide range of mobility services, ranging from rail, regional express rail, tramway, to bus, cable car, and sightseeing services. RATP Dev capitalizes on the technical know-how and experience of the RATP Group—the leader in driverless mobility, tramway services, and operator of the Paris multimodal public transit network, one of the largest in the world—to develop its activities in France and internationally.

In France, RATP Dev operates networks in some forty cities, towns, and administrative zones, including Bourges, Angers, Boulogne-sur-Mer, Charleville-Mézières, and Annemasse.

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