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3rd UK -Türkiye Rail Forum



Date and time: 14 November 2024



Registration: Please express your interest to Yigit.Gumusok@fcdo.gov.uk



Venue: Ankara, Türkiye

Places on this trade mission are limited. Please contact with Yiğit Gümüşok via above email to get further information or to express your interest in joining us today, free and without obligation.



The Department for Business and Trade (DBT) is delighted to invite businesses from across UK to submit an expression of interest to participate in one-day networking event in Ankara. The programme is designed for all segments of rail sector companies who are interested in Turkish rail market. During the event, UK companies will have a chance to come together with all relevant public and private representatives from Turkish rail industry including Ministry of Transport & Infrastructure, TCDD, TCDD Transport, TÜRASAŞ, Turkish Municipal Authorities and all relevant manufacturers.

Who should attend?

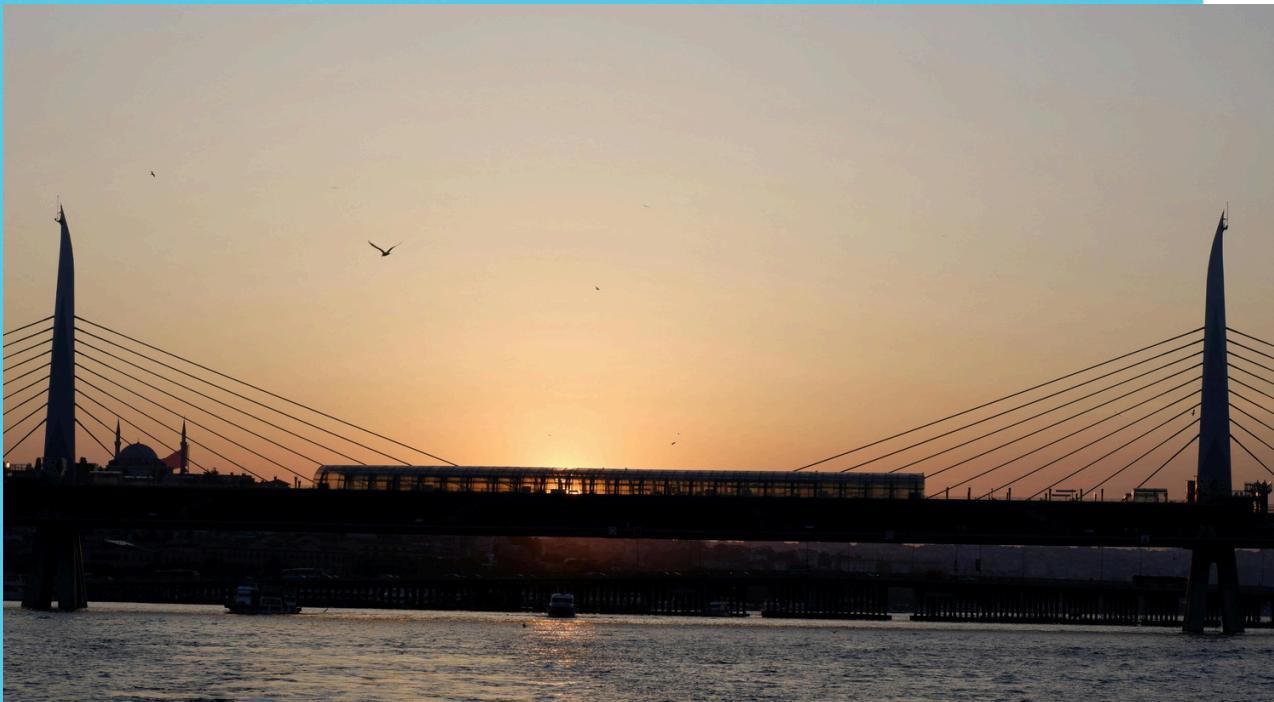
Companies from every segment of the industry, which may bring an innovative solution to address potential challenges of Turkish rail industry are all welcome. This year the event will focus more on climate change resilience in rail network including rolling stock, hydrogen applications and innovative rail infrastructure solutions.

Why should you join this trade mission?

This event is a unique opportunity to have a networking chance with most of the sector representatives in Türkiye including public and private organisations. Participant companies will have a chance to meet technical procurement teams of respective Turkish organisations including TCDD (Maintenance, Safety, Rolling Stock, Infrastructure), TCDD Transport, TÜRASAŞ, Turkish Municipalities, Turkish Universities, contractor companies, other rolling stock manufacturers in the market.

Costs

Delegation members will be required to pay for their own travel, subsistence and hotel costs. There is no additional participation charge.



About the market

Turkish rail sector holds great potential and promise for developing a cleaner, sustainable rail network resilient to future climate shocks. With its 168 years of cooperation with Türkiye in rail sector, The UK government is currently backing the construction of three high-speed railway lines. The UK Export Finance support of approximately £1.7 billion for Ankara-Izmir High Speed Railway, £680 million for the Mersin-Gaziantep High-Speed Railway and £1 billion for Kayseri-Yerköy High Speed Railway are a step towards establishing enduring sustainability. This could be the beginning of mutual exchange where the long-term environmental benefits of focusing on rail transport investments in Türkiye are recognised and encouraged and the UK's progress in this sector is shared.

For transport sector, there is a great potential for Türkiye to solidify its role considering the country's strong connections to international maritime and air trade routes, with ports that act as major conduits for international trade, cross-border connections via road and rail. To increase the railway network and quality of the infrastructure, the government has invested TRY 167.5 billion (£13,7 billion) during the last 18 years. Robust investment will continue to support growth in railway infrastructure with various initiatives and projects, is expected to cost around £36,2 billion.

Türkiye has a total length of 13,919 km rail network; 8,046 km of it is signalled and 7,142 km is electrified. When the current lines under construction will be completed, the total length of the high-speed rail network will reach 1,747 km which can rank Turkey as the fifth high speed rail network in the world.

Turkish government has also pursued localisation strategies to enhance domestic capabilities in rolling stock manufacturing industry. With an estimated investment of £16,8 billion in the next two decades, rolling stock sector is also providing promising opportunities for component manufacturers and technology providers. In parallel, rapidly growing vehicle fleet in both mainlines and urban rails will necessitate more sophisticated technologies for maintenance, traffic and asset management as well.