

Alstom (South Africa)

Alstom has set up an ecosystem in South Africa consisting of five joint ventures and subsidiaries, with around 2,000 employees.

This cluster was born in the context of the contract won by Alstom in 2014 from Prasa (the public agency in charge of passenger transport in South Africa) to build 600 X'Trapolis suburban trains, worth €4 billion.

This led to the creation of the Gibela JV (Alstom 70%, Ubumbano Rail 30%) and the construction of a factory near Johannesburg.

As part of this contract with Prasa, Alstom inaugurated a plant dedicated to the production of suburban trains in 2018:

- Location: Dunnottar (east of Johannesburg).
- Investment: approx. €70 million.
- Planned production: 580 commuter trains.
- Total contract value: €3.1 billion.
- Surface area: 53,000 m².

The Prasa contract calls for a high proportion of local content, leading the group to integrate industrially and develop a network of suppliers. The target of 70% local content, through partnerships or investments, seems well on the way to being achieved.

In September 2023, Alstom acquired the TMH Africa plant (105 employees), which manufactures train bodies.

Sources:

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Points to clarify:

- **How advanced is the contract in 2023 (number of trains already delivered)?**
- **Sales in 2023?**

Degree of accuracy of the information contained in the data sheet

Medium