

## Signed contract for the project of station interlocking and telecommunications



Republika Srpska Railways signed today with the Czech company AŽD Praha contract on the realization of project of station interlocking with the interstation dependance and telecommunications project.

This is a very important project for the Republika Srpska Railways, which implementation will result in faster, reliable and safer operation of railway traffic.

Station interlocking project will be implemented in stations Ostružnja, Čelinac, Banja Snjegotina, Jošavka and Banja Luka. All six stations will be protected with the state-of-the-art electronics devices.

Also telecommunications project, which includes for the first time laying out of the fiber-optic cable along the complete railway section between Dobož and Banja Luka is very important.

It is a transmission medium, by which the transfer of information will be much faster when it comes to the signal-safety equipment and telecommunication facilities.

Apart from being the most economically advantageous Tenderer, Czech company AŽD Praha has fulfilled all the necessary technical requirements that were defined in tender for project of interlocking, stressed out General Manager of ŽRS Dragan Savanovic.

- Everything is specified by contract, all items are clearly defined and I expect that the contractor will in a timely and quality manner carry out their obligations within the stipulated time for the implementation, for which is foreseen slightly more than 400 days to complete the job successfully. This project of the Republic of Serbian Railways provides primarily safer and much better operation of traffic - stressed out Savanovic.

The deadline for completion of the project is 15 months and the total value of project for station interlocking and telecommunications stations amounts to 15.8 million EUR. The project is funded from the remaining loan funds of the EBRD and EIB.

Rene Šigut on behalf of Czech company AŽD Praha, expressed his satisfaction over the future cooperation with the ŽRS pointing out that they are ready to show their ability, equipment and expertise.

- I hope to good cooperation, so that we will this Project, together with the ŽRS, successfully complete. Our team working on this project is comprised of the best skilled experts which have a serious approach to their work. The quality that we offer guarantees also the existence of our company over six decades, ranked among the six largest European manufacturers of signaling - safety equipment - said Rene Šigut on behalf of AŽD Praha.

In addition to the Republika Srpska Railways and Czech company AŽD Praha, signatory of the contract for the station interlocking and telecommunications was also the Bosnia and Herzegovina Railways Public Corporation, whose general manager Zlatko Bevanda expressed his satisfaction with the future implementation of the project and the modernization of the ŽRS.

