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Transdev Group joins ALLRAIL:

It is a great pleasure to announce that one of leading mobility companies in the world, Transdev, is joining our association ALLRAIL.

ALLRAIL is the Alliance of Rail New Entrants in Europe, an EU rail recognised body that pushes for the full market opening of EU passenger rail – from local trains through to high speed. In those countries where this has already been allowed to happen, this has consistently led to:

- **Innovation and improved service**
- **Lower fares**
- **Reduced taxpayer subsidy** and
- **Modal shift to rail**, away from less sustainable transport modes.

Transdev provides 11 million passenger trips everyday around the world thanks to efficient, innovative and environmentally-friendly transportation solutions. In passenger rail, it is the 2nd largest operator in Germany and also runs trains in the Netherlands and Sweden in Europe, as well as in New Zealand.

Its Swedish subsidiary rail operator – Snälltåget – is notable because it also offers a EU cross-border night train between Sweden and Germany - without a taxpayer subsidy. Only last month, Snälltåget invested millions to acquire more sleeper train rolling stock¹.

Transdev is looking to bring the benefits of rail market opening to other European countries in the future: first and foremost in France, with calls for tenders soon to be launched for regional train services.

Dr. Erich Forster, President of ALLRAIL, states: “Our association wants to challenge the way that things have always been done. By doing so, we want to grow the total rail sector and help Europe achieve its ambitious decarbonisation goals. Transdev and ALLRAIL are a great fit.”

Thierry Mallet, Chairman and CEO of Transdev Group, says: “By joining ALLRAIL, Transdev wishes to reaffirm its commitment to open and fair competition in Europe as a catalyst for better quality of service and greener mobility. ALLRAIL will also allow us to deepen our exchanges with European stakeholders in the field.”

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¹ <https://www.railjournal.com/passenger/main-line/snalltaget-acquires-extra-couchette-cars/>