



Axalto Delivers Transport Smart Cards to Caminhos de Ferro Portugueses, the Train Operator in Portugal

Delivery marks the first deployment of Axalto transport cards in Portugal

UITP, Rome, June 7, 2005 – Axalto (Euronext NL0000400653 AXL) today announced the successful delivery of 50,000 dual interface smart cards to the train operator in Portugal, Caminhos de Ferro Portugueses (CP), for its “Lisboa Viva” transport card project. The cards will be used as monthly subscription-based traveler cards for the train in Lisbon. This delivery marks the first deployment of Axalto transport cards in Portugal and introduces dual interface smart cards to Portugal’s train operator system for the first time.

“Our goal is to make using our transport system as easy and stress-free as possible for travelers in Portugal,” said Dr Antonio Manuel Henriques Coelho, Responsible of the e-Ticketing System of CP-Lisboa. “The deployment of Axalto smart cards in Lisbon helps us to reach this goal.”

“We are extremely proud to be working with CP on our first transport project in Portugal,” said Philippe Cambriel, Vice President EMEA, Axalto. “These new cards will benefit the citizens of Lisbon greatly and could not be successfully deployed without CP’s tremendous professionalism and expertise.”

For this project, CP specified 50,000 Easyflex CD Light smart cards from Axalto’s Calypso range and provide a dual interface (contact and contactless). The contactless technology brings ease of use to travelers in Portugal, as well as quick entrance during rush hours. For the operator, contactless processing drastically reduces maintenance and ownership costs. Easyflex Calypso cards can also be used in contact mode for less speed-sensitive operations such as card charging, enabling implementation of sophisticated cryptography measures. Also, the cards can handle multiple applications such as private and corporate season tickets, unit journey tickets, user profiles and multiple operators. Easyflex Calypso dual interface smart cards are fully compliant with ISO 14443 B.

About Axalto

Axalto (Euronext: NL0000400653 AXL) is the world's leading provider of microprocessor cards (Gartner Dataquest 2004) — the keys to digital networks — and a major supplier of point-of-sale terminals. Its 4500 employees come from 70 nationalities and serve customers in more than 100 countries, with worldwide sales reaching 3 billion smart cards to date. The company has 25 years' experience in smart card innovation and leads its industry in security technology and open systems.

Axalto continuously creates new generations of products for use in a variety of applications in the telecommunications, finance, retail, transport, entertainment, healthcare, personal identification, information technology and public sector markets. Microprocessor cards provide convenience, security and privacy to public and private services operators, their customers and end users. For more information, visit us at www.axalto.com

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