

Build-up operation for ERI with Catelia

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ERI has announced the acquisition of **Catelia**, a leading player in engineering studies and construction/maintenance works for overhead electrical lines used in the railroad sector.

This technical acquisition complements ERI's range of services in infrastructures and reinforces its position as a preferred partner to help its clients design, deploy, and maintain their decarbonized transportation systems.

*« This alliance with Catelia represents a new step in the strategic development of the ERI Group: it paves the way for significant commercial opportunities thanks to the expansion of our portfolios, it enables the newly formed group to address the increasingly multi-services requests of our clients, and accelerates our diversification towards services in security, electrical protection, lockout, and earthing. We are taking a step forward in becoming a stronger player in the French railroad sector, by mutualizing our specialized production forces and by strengthening our capacity to tackle other partnership projects together », **François Lhoutellier, CEO of ERI**, said.*

According to **Fabien Lannoo, Founder of Catelia**, *« the entry of Catelia within the ERI Group will allow the company to make important strides in its development, by partnering with a significant player specialized in infrastructure: beyond the commercial and technical synergies, this combination constitutes a tremendous acceleration for Catelia's business ».*

Didier Gaudoux, Partner at Latour Capital, adds : *« The acquisition of Catelia represented an opportunity in line with ERI's strategic plan, which is aimed at enhancing the range of services provided by ERI on highly value-added technical trades. We are glad to welcome Catelia's team within the ERI Group, and we are eager to work on the numerous commercial synergies between the two businesses ».*

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About ERI

Founded in 1957, ERI is a leading player in multi-technical services for buildings and infrastructures, headquartered in Fontenay-sous-Bois (94) and focused on the Paris area. ERI acts as an integrated provider of construction/maintenance solutions for clients that are mainly public and parapublic, in fields such as electrical repair and complementary technical trades (plumbing, roof covering, heating, ventilation and air-conditioning, etc.).

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