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## 20 additional Capricorn trains for the Rhaetian Railway

**The Rhaetian Railway (RhB) will order 20 additional “Capricorn” trains worth 172.9 million Swiss Francs from Stadler. This option call follows the original order of 36 trains which took place in 2016. With the 20 additional vehicles, RhB continues the modernization and harmonization of its fleet.**

As part of its new “Strategy 2030”, RhB will order additional “Capricorn” trains from Stadler. Already in 2016 RhB had ordered 36 trains, which at the time was the largest purchase of rolling stock in its history. To continue the modernization and harmonization of its fleet, RhB now orders 20 additional “Capricorns” worth 172.9 million Swiss Francs.

The four-car trains are operated on the narrow-gauge network of RhB in the Swiss canton of Grisons. Their maximum speed is 120 kilometers per hour. Each train is 76.4 meters long and offers 164 seats, 35 of them in the first class. The view from the driver’s cab is broadcasted to the passenger area, adding a special experience to the passenger journey.

The “Capricorn” trains are used as separable multiple units. A train can be divided into two sections in transit. The two partial trains then continue to different destinations. When travelling back in the opposite direction, the two parts are coupled together again to continue their journey. This will allow the half-hourly cycle on the single-track line between Landquart and Klosters to be completed without costly line extensions. The “Capricorns” are equipped with automatic coupling to ensure smooth operation of the separable multiple units.

Ansgar Brockmeyer, Head of Sales at Stadler, said: “The Rhaetian Railways and Stadler have been working together over decades already. We’re proud that they have decided to modernize their fleet with our robust and high-quality trains and that we can now deliver a total of 56 ‘Capricorns’ to the Grisons.”

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