23. Rehabilitation, Modernisation and Improvement of the Services of the Trans-Maghreb Railway Line

Project description and objectives

The realisation of this project includes the following actions: (1) modernise the line in Morocco (Fes-Oujda), (2) rehabilitate the section between Morocco and Algeria (Cross-border section Morocco-Algeria, Ouida-Akid Abbas), (3) create a new cross-border railway section between Algeria and Tunisia (dependent on Annaba in Jendouba), (4) modernisation between Jendouba and Jedeida, (5) different technological interventions for the energy and control-command and signaling subsystems.

The general project objectives are to:

- Modernise and rehabilitate the railway between Casablanca, Algiers and Tunis as a first step, and extend this line to Libya and Mauritania as a second step.
- Improve of rail link allow for better traffic flow, better travel conditions and more suitable journey times. Once the project is completed, Casablanca-Tunis will be done in less than 25 hours instead of 48 hours.

Project Map

Project status

The project is in the Feasibility stage (S2B)

Financial needs

Project Cost Estimate: USD 4 Billion

Key parties

Technical specifications of the project

All sections will be electrified with the 2x25 kV electrification subsystem and train management will be carried out with the ERTMS N2 subsystem. Punctual interventions in the signaling and telecommunications subsystems are also planned.

General procurement actions

- Facilitate women's mobility, by providing a safe, comfortable and affordable means of transport
- Provide a good alternative means of transport, other than by air or road.

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