



UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT OF NEW STADIUM PARTNERS

Lyon, 13 October 2008

A meeting of the Commission overseeing the OL Land project took place in Lyon on 13 October 2008 with the following partners present:

- the French government, represented by Jacques Gérard, Prefect of the Rhône département and the Rhône-Alpes region,
 - Greater Lyon, represented by Gérard Collomb, President of Greater Lyon,
 - the Rhône département, represented by Michel Mercier, President of the Rhône General Council,
 - SYTRAL, the Lyon area transport authority, represented by Bernard Rivalta, President of SYTRAL,
 - the city of Décines-Charpieu, represented by Mayor Pierre Crédoz,
- and Olympique Lyonnais, represented by Jean-Michel Aulas, President of OL Groupe.

During the meeting, the various stakeholders signed an agreement confirming the launch of the construction of OL Land on the Décines site.

The signatories to the agreement have committed to implementing the resources necessary for the success of the new stadium project. A private initiative, the project aims to enhance the reputation of the Lyon area, promote and accelerate the development of the eastern suburbs of Lyon, respond to the need to modernise French stadiums, while ensuring the development of Olympique Lyonnais on both economic and sporting levels.

Through this agreement, Olympique Lyonnais, the French government, Greater Lyon, SYTRAL, the Rhône General Council and the city of Décines have defined common objectives and a common timeline for the project as a whole, which should enable the project to be completed by May 2013. At the same time, the partners will keep trying to optimise this timeframe, in particular once the orientation and recommendations of the Euro 2016 "Grands Stades" Commission are announced. This commission was created to support France's candidacy for the Euro 2016.

This exemplary public-private initiative should give France several state-of-the-art stadiums of the kind that already exist in other major European countries. The previous financing method, based essentially on public funding (French government and local authorities) led to sports facilities that are now completely outdated.

In addition, at the suggestion of the Prefect and to facilitate the realisation of the project and its integration into the towns in the eastern suburbs of Lyon, the Presidents of OL Groupe and Greater Lyon have decided to work together regularly in a task force with elected officials of the affected localities.



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