



# GLOBAL LIGHT RAIL PROJECTS REPORT 2018-2030

Urban population growth has been propelled by the growth of cities of all sizes. The numbers of large, medium and small cities are projected to grow in future and authorities are seeking to improve public transport systems to provide safe and environmentally-sustainable mobility solutions to residents, daily commuters and visitors. Light rail (also known as the tram, tramway, streetcar, light rapid transit and LRT) is appealing because it is versatile in application, flexible in design and cost-effective.

The transport development plans of many cities and regions have included development of new light rail system as well as upgrades and extensions to existing systems. This has created a robust pipeline of projects for consultants, planners, and financiers as well as infrastructure, rolling stock and technology (railway system, ticketing) providers. Many governments use this opportunity to generate employment across a broad range of disciplines, stimulate economic growth and develop industry capability.

The **Global Light Rail Projects Report 2018-2030** provides updated information on 100 light rail projects from 42 countries. It presents the key information required to assess the existing state of, and the expected opportunities in, the global light rail industry in terms of network, ridership, rolling stock, technology and fare systems.

The report analyses recent trends and developments across various categories, project pipeline and investment requirements, issues and challenges, growth drivers, market size and opportunities up to 2030 and beyond by category, policies and plans focussing on LRT development, PPP experience in delivery of LRT projects, cost components, funding and revenue sources, construction, rolling stock and equipment supply, etc. It also provides a directory of project contacts/key personnel.

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