

## PRESS RELEASE

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## FOR ITS 20<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY, MONACO MONTE-CARLO STATION GOES DIGITAL & ECO-FRIENDLY

Inaugurated in December 1999, Monaco Monte-Carlo station is more than ever the gateway to the Principality. Underground station built on 13 levels, important link in the region's railway network, the station celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> birthday by developing services and equipment in line with the Principality's digital and eco-friendly stakes.

Monaco Monte-Carlo station makes a strong commitment to digital and eco-sustainability to better serve its 7.5 million annual commuters (2019) and the four railway companies stopping at the station. Main entrance to Monaco, the station innovates with new services that, for some of them, are not yet available on the rest of Monaco territory.

### A PUBLIC SPACE RESPECTFUL OF ITS CLIENTS AND THE ENVIRONMENT

The digital development of the station is part of a wider project for the Principality of Monaco, named "Extended Monaco". The station contributes to the project through a series of new developments:

- Connected offices to facilitate remote work, with a Wi-Fi access
- 2nd tactile information desk with a more user-friendly interface
- Amazon Lockers, 1st locker in Monaco
- Development of BIM model in the station (creating digital model of the station)

In terms of eco-sustainability, the goal is to reduce by 30% the energy costs in the station in the next 10 years.

Using the BIM (Building Information Modelling) technology will make it possible to decrease the carbon footprint thanks to a better digital management of equipment.

LEDs now light up the station and in the next few years new elevatic systems will replace escalators and lifts that are consuming too much energy.

Daily cleaning standards have been redefined thanks to the use of more eco-friendly products and sorting garbage cans have been installed.

## ANSWER CROSS-BORDER WORKERS AND TOURISTS' NEEDS

Monaco Monte-Carlo station is the 3<sup>rd</sup> biggest station in the Southern Region of France in terms of passenger flows. Touristic attraction and the annual 7.5 million passengers, of which 60% are commuters, can explain the magnitude of these flows. Mainly Italian and French, those cross-border workers use the station during working weeks and significantly contribute to the territory's economic development.

The frequentation of the station is also punctuated by large events such as Formula 1 Grand Prix, ATP Finals, football games or congresses.

## A BIRTHDAY IN IMAGES

To illustrate the 20<sup>th</sup> birthday, Monaco Monte-Carlo station called on the local architect and graphic designer Lola Rozewicz. Three posters, designed for the occasion, will be exhibited in the station.

## ABOUT SNCF HUBS & CONNEXIONS

SNCF Hubs & Connexions develops on the international scene its expertise related to transport hubs: station management and maintenance, flow analysis, accompanying for the commercial development and optimizing transport hubs revenues.

To dynamize the space and answer the passengers' needs, SNCF Hubs & Connexions PM, the new station's concessionaire, has set up new shops such as a Starbucks coffee and a combi-store since the beginning of 2020. In the next few years, a new catering offer should open its doors and new commercial spaces will become available.

**International subsidiary of SNCF Gares & Connexions, Hubs & Connexions took over the concession for Monaco Monte-Carlo station on January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2020, for a 10-year contract. Station management and maintenance will be done by the subsidiary Hubs & Connexions PM, specially created for the station.**

These posters are inspired by the strong links between the station, the railway and the territory's economic development and declined in three milestones: early 20th century, 60s' and today.

SNCF Hubs & Connexions PM was specially created for the management of Monaco Monte-Carlo station for 10 years.

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