

# **AVLC System Implementation**Dresdner Verkehrsbetriebe AG, Germany

## **Industry**

Bus, Light Rail

## **Objective**

Implement AVLC System

## **Solution**

Trapeze's Intelligent Transport System

#### **Overview**



205 buses



200 trams



28 bus routes



12 tram routes



153 million passengers annually

## Results

- Upgrade to digital radio system
- Automatic Vehicle Location and Control (AVLC)
- Traffic Light pre-emption
- ✓ Systems integration



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## **Background**

Dresdner Verkehrsbetriebe AG (DVB) has around 1750 employees. In addition to their 151 buses and 166 low-floor light rail vehicles, DVB also operates two funiculars, three Elbe River ferries and a freight tram. DVB transports around 153 million passengers on its 28 bus routes and 12 tram routes each year.

## **The Challenge**

At the end of 2008, DVB commissioned Trapeze with the upgrade of their operations control system. Over the following years, DVB's buses and low-floor light rail vehicles were equipped with Trapeze IBISplus G2 on-board computers. The driver terminals installed were Mobile Touch Terminals in the light rail vehicles and integrated ticket printers in the buses.



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The radio system is a digital trunk radio system. The existing control centre and DPI system were also integrated. Firstly, the digital radio network and the Depot Data Management system were set up, followed by their connection to the passenger information system and control system integration. The last step encompassed retrofitting of the vehicles.

What is special about this project is the integration factor, which saw various separate systems joined together to form one composite system. The components on-board computer, ticket printer, radio, DPI, and depot were all provided by different suppliers. Trapeze's task was to supply various subsections and interfaces to the third-party systems.





#### The functionalities:

- Interface to the third-party control computer
- TETRA radio system
- On-board computer IBISplus G2 with an MTT terminal
- GPS-based location
- Interface to passenger information
- Data supply with LIO-Data
- Traffic light pre-emption
- Loading vehicles with software and data using Wi-Fi

## The system at a glance



## Control centre

7 dispatcher workstations, 1 info station, 2 data supply and/or statistics workstations



## Radio system

TETRA digital radio with 7 radio locations



## Vehicles

205 buses, 200 trams



#### **Depots**

4 in total, equipped with Wi-Fi, RFID for the fuelling recording system



## Third-party components

Control computer, TETRA radio system, Stop DPI signs, planning program, passenger counting, ticket printers in buses, video surveillance, RFID fuelling recording

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After setting up a digital radio system, upgrading vehicle components and migrating the control centre software, DVB now boasts a comfortable platform for secure management of operations and passenger information at stops, in vehicles and through new media.

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