

TRANSFORMATIONS 2024 PARIS GARE DU NORD STATION LARGE-SCALE PROJECT



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SUMMARY FILE



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WHY REDEVELOP THE GARE DU NORD STATION BY 2024?

The Gare du Nord station is one of the most important stations in the world, and the most important station in Europe in terms of numbers of travellers. Over the decades, it has managed to adapt to the modernisation of the rail network, preparing for the arrival of Eurostar and opening new lines towards Northern Europe. With more than 700 000 people going through the station each day (i.e. 200 million travellers per year), the long-term increase in numbers of visitors has affected the quality of its facilities. Providing a solution to crowded traveller spaces is a priority for *SNCF Gares & Connexions* and necessitates a large-scale redevelopment.

IMPROVE AND FACILITATE ALL MOVEMENTS WITHIN THE STATION

The Gare du Nord station serves 4 European countries.

With more than 2 200 movements of trains per day (excluding underground/RER trains), it provides a leading multimodal junction at the heart of the Paris area. Facilities for travellers have been significantly renovated since 2013 with the redevelopment of the Eurostar terminal transit hall and the establishment of new restaurant areas. The main concourse is currently being renovated on a very large scale.

SNCF Gares & Connexions intends to give additional momentum to these developments in order to meet with the increase in numbers of visitors in the next 20 years. The 2024 Paris Gare du Nord project consists in:

- facilitating visitors' journeys between the underground and over-ground stations;
- solving current over-crowding on the main concourse by separating the Departures and Arrivals flows;
- increasing the areas for the Cross-Channel part;
- improving connections between the station and its surrounding district.



ADAPT TO NEW TRAVEL HABITS

Although the developments already implemented improve travel comfort, they do not enable to meet with the requirements related to the extension of the rail activities or new ways of travelling. Security and safety are also of major importance for *SNCF Gares & Connexions*.

Business tourism, linked to the success of the Northern-European lines, and the major development of short stays, encouraged by the evolution in transport and holiday rental offers, require areas that are increasingly enjoyable and services that are within reach.



CREATE NEW ACTIVITY SURFACE AREAS

As for the other Parisian stations, the general improvement of movement must go hand in hand with a balanced commercial offer.

This means meeting with requirements of both travellers and the district's clientele, in the same way as the methods used in large multi-modal transit centres.

PREPARE FOR NEW EVENTS IN PARIS

The arrival of the CDG EXPRESS line in the nearby Paris Gare de l'Est station makes it even more necessary to significantly improve the links between these two major Parisian stations.

The prospects of the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games and the 2025 World Fair are also opportunities to be seized in order to accelerate this transformation.

KEY FIGURES

200 million
travellers/year

1st
station in Europe in terms of numbers of travellers

2 200
trains per day

3 000
people working in the station

80 000 sqm
of existing surface areas

around
35 000 sqm
of new surface areas including:

- **10 000 to 12 000 sqm** devoted to movement within the station (2 separate halls for Departures and Arrivals of Main Lines)
- **25 000 sqm** of surface areas dedicated to various activities (restaurants, shops, co-working, special events, culture, etc.)

THE PARIS GARE DU NORD PROJECT IN 2024

The 2024 Paris Gare du Nord Large-Scale Project includes 4 main operations for increasing capacity and comfort of travellers, providing Paris with a national and international display window, and accompanying the relooking of a whole district ...

1 A NEW DEPARTURE TERMINAL

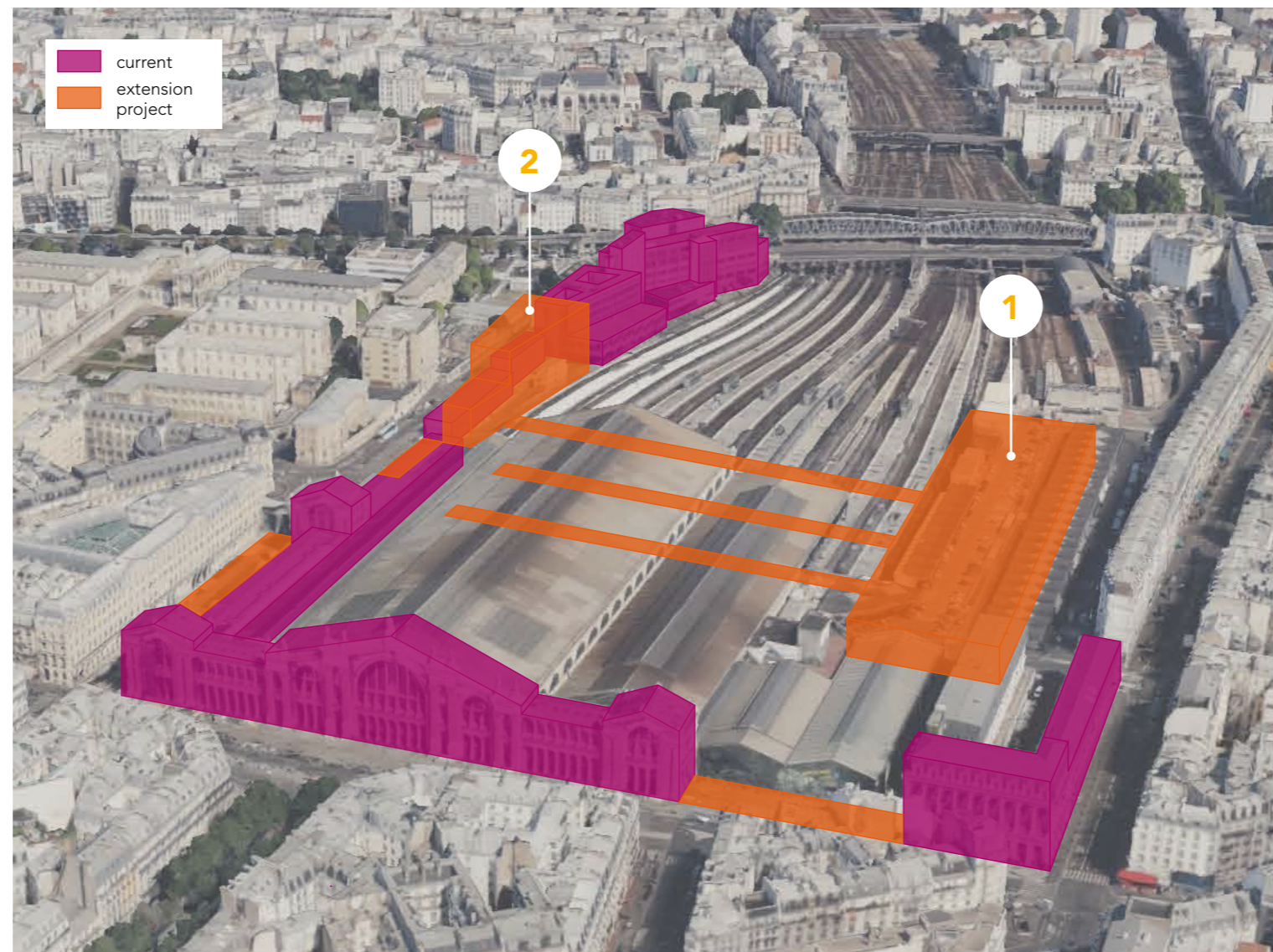
The creation of a new Departure terminal and waiting areas on the East side of the station will enable to separate the Main Lines flows.

In order to put an end to over-crowding, the main concourse structuring the station will be reserved for Arrivals.

Departures for Main Lines will be accessible by using new footbridges created above the platforms.

This major stage allows for:

- approximately 35 000 sqm of waiting areas and shops/services (over 3/4 levels), including 12 000 sqm of public circulation;
- a system for serving the platforms for departures on Main Lines.



2 CROSS-CHANNEL TERMINAL EXTENSION

The extension of the Cross-Channel Terminal will be undertaken as part of the work currently ongoing. The surface areas will be increased due to an extension to the North (level 1), beyond the traveller security control area. This part of the project allows in particular for the:

- virtual doubling of the overall surface area;
- study for the erection of a possible 3rd footbridge to access the platforms;
- new customer reception equipment and services.

NEW LINKS TO THE CITY

The project provides for the modernisation of the accesses to the underground and RER trains (increase in number of escalators), the redevelopment of the Transilien hall, the optimisation of movement of people between the underground and over-ground stations. The opening of a new façade overlooking the East and the Rue du Faubourg Saint-Denis will enable to improve the urban integration of the station while creating new links with the surrounding urban fabric.

RELAX, HAVE LUNCH OR SHOP ...

The creation of services, restaurant and shopping areas suits both the travellers and the local residents and passing customers, with, for example:

- approximately 25 000 sqm of new surface areas, including 23 000 sqm in the Departure Terminal and 1 500 sqm in the Cross-Channel Terminal;
- shops and services facing the town, accessible from outside the station;
- possible co-working spaces and various activities.

All of the areas of the Paris Gare du Nord station will enable access for disabled persons.

SCHEDULE



PUBLIC CONSULTATION, A PARTICIPATORY APPROACH

WHAT IS A CONSULTATION?

A consultation is a legal procedure, applied in accordance with article L103-2 of the French Urban Development Code. This participatory approach enables *SNCF Gares & Connexions* to present the project for redeveloping the Gare du Nord station and to give further information on the development options to the local residents, travellers, organisations, SNCF agents working on the site and other stakeholders. It is an essential stage for the success of the project and its integration in the urban fabric of Paris' 10th district.



HOW TO GET MORE INFORMATION

- The consultation was announced in the press at the end of May 2017.
- This **consultation file**, which summarises the project's general orientations, may be consulted in the Gare du Nord travellers' hall and in the 10th district town hall. Its digital version is available on the *SNCF Gares & Connexions* and 10th district town hall's websites.
- An **information leaflet**, presenting the project and the consultation procedure, will be distributed to the travellers and is available in the town hall for the local residents. It may also be collected from the station.
- A special **web page** will be dedicated to the project on the www.gares-sncf.com website
- A display campaign in the station and an **exhibition** in the station and at the 10th district town hall will complete the information procedure.



WHERE, WHEN AND HOW TO EXCHANGE IDEAS?

From 12th June 2017 and throughout the whole period of the regulatory consultation, you may give your opinion:

- Using the **T Card** (postage-paid) enclosed with the information leaflet.
- In the online **opinion section** (from the page dedicated to the project on the *SNCF Gares et Connexions* website)
- On the **registers** in the Gare du Nord station and in the 10th district town hall
- By simple **letter** sent to:
SNCF Mobilités – Gares & Connexions
Direction du Développement et des Projets –
Grand Projet Paris Gare du Nord 2024
16, avenue d'Ivry - 75013 PARIS

WE LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING YOU...

- An **encounter** in the station is organised on Thursday 22nd June 2017 from 7.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. at the level of the Main Lines concourse.
- A **public meeting** will take place on Tuesday 4th July 2017 from 7.30 p.m. to 10.00 p.m., at the following address:
SNCF – L'Étoile du Nord – Salle L'Atrium
In the courtyard, Exit for taxis
18, rue de Dunkerque – 75010 Paris.

CRUCIAL QUESTIONS... WHICH REQUIRE YOUR OPINION

The consultation must enable *SNCF Gares & Connexions* to fine-tune the 2024 Paris Gare du Nord project. The exchanges will be recorded in a consultation report: the comments and proposals from the general public will be included in it.

The consultation aims at informing and collecting the opinion of all participants. It will in particular enable to cover the following themes in more depth:

- movement within the station;
- security, cleanliness and comfort within the station;
- the future facilities: activities, shops, work spaces, etc.;
- integration of the station within the district.

Economic operators, travellers, local residents, organisations or agents of the Gare du Nord station: please become involved so that we can build a useful and pleasant project to suit everybody!



CONSULTATION, TOWN ASPECTS

The thought process regarding the public areas surrounding the station (main square of the station, Rue du Faubourg Saint-Denis, Rue de Maubeuge, etc.) and the 2024 Paris Gare du Nord project are driven by the same aim. This is why *SNCF Gares & Connexions*, the Town of Paris and the 10th district local authority are planning shared workshops in order to model the future flows of travellers.

AND WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE CONSULTATION?

The proposals considered will be passed on to the designers. Once it is validated, the consultation report will be put online on the *SNCF Gares & Connexions* website and submitted to the public inquiry. Throughout the transformation operations of the Gare du Nord station, *SNCF Gares & Connexions* will remain attentive to the public's observations with a view to continued discussion.

PROJECT STAKEHOLDERS

The 2024 Paris Gare du Nord Large-Scale Project is being led by *SNCF Gares & Connexions*. Its design and completion will be entrusted to a semi-public company including *SNCF Gares & Connexions* and an operator chosen through consultation. A series of procedures involving the Town of Paris, the *STIF* and the *RATP* will apply to precise parameters (intermodal links, surrounding public areas, etc.).

PUBLIC STAKEHOLDERS ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN PRECISE THEMES

SNCF Gares & Connexions is leading this discussion period.

SNCF Gares & Connexions is in charge of the renovation and development of French stations, which involves the day-to-day management of the activity of the 3 000 French stations (15 000 train Departures and 10 million travellers), the modernisation of the sites, and the design and implementation of practical and welcoming areas.

As a stakeholder in the 2024 Paris Gare du Nord project, it ensures continued discussion between the various persons involved.

The **RATP** (Paris Transport Authority) and the **STIF** are partners of *SNCF Gares & Connexions* for the reorganisation of the bus station and the improvement of movement between the underground and over-ground stations.

The *Town of Paris* and the **10th district local authority** are working on the various urban interfaces of the project with *SNCF Gares & Connexions*, in liaison with other development projects for the district (modernisation of the Lariboisière hospital) and the Gare du Nord station.

WELL-ALLOCATED ROLES WITH THE SEMOP

A *SEMOP* (semi-public company with sole operation) is a joint firm between a public shareholder and an economic operator for the special "2024 Gare du Nord" project (law no. 2017-257 of 28th February 2017 on the status of Paris and metropolitan urban development) and aims at making certain public-private partnerships more operational and efficient.

This choice of innovative set-up meets with several requirements:

- make the project feasible within tight deadlines (by 2024);
- achieve ambitious objectives in terms of services provided to the travellers;
- offer reasonable pricing terms to the various rail operators;
- ensure major investment without affecting the SNCF's accounts.

SNCF Gares & Connexions is launching a consultation with operators (investors, developers, builders, etc.). The selected applicant will be a joint shareholder of the joint venture, which will benefit from a concession contract for work and operation without delegation of public service, applicable to non-regulated activities (services and shops), for a period of around 30 years.

