

PRESS RELEASE

Telecoms Hat-Trick for Optilan

Optilan Communication Systems has been awarded the contract to provide telecommunications for the Syrian section of the Arab Gas Pipeline.

This award gives specialist systems integrator Optilan the 'hat-trick' – the company was previously awarded the telecommunications contracts for both the first and second sections of the pipeline, each from a different contractor. With this third win, Optilan is now responsible for integrated communications throughout the entire c.900km Arab Gas Pipeline, as well as for peripheral areas including control centres.

The Syrian pipeline communications system, as with the Al Arish – Taba and Al Aqaba – Al Rehab sections, is based on STM-1 fibre optic multiplexing with STM-4 upgrade capability. This transmission spine will provide connectivity for all telecommunications and security systems over the 324km Al Rahab – Deir Ali stretch of the pipeline, and throughout its length.

The Syrian contract was awarded to Optilan by OAO Stroytransgaz, in co-ordination with Optilan's Moscow regional office.

'It is very satisfying to be involved with project like the Arab Gas Pipeline literally from beginning to end' says Sales Director Bal Kler 'It is also particularly pleasing to have been awarded this latest contract from a major Russian player like Stroytransgaz. Optilan is strongly committed to further expanding our telecommunications presence in Russia, during this very exciting time for the region's oil and gas industry.'