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### **Taipei's Ankeng LRT starting trial service**

[7.6km tramline offers connections to the Yellow \(Circular\) line of the Taipei Metro to significantly reduce travel time between southern districts of New Taipei.](#)



### **Rome plans EUR458m tramway fleet renewal**

[Tenders launched for six-year framework programme for up to 121 new trams to replace the Italian capital's ageing rolling stock and cater for planned network expansion.](#)

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### California grants USD2.5bn to rail and transit projects

[Latest funding from the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program accelerates projects to expand public transport, improve safety and integrate the state's rail systems.](#)



### Luton DART people-mover trials start

[Passenger trials have begun on the 2.1km people-mover which connects the airport to Luton Airport Parkway. Full service is due to start at Easter.](#)



### Durmazlar begins tram deliveries to Reșița

[First of 13 Turkish low-floor trams arrives in the western Romanian city. Further deliveries of 18m cars are expected later in the year ahead of a planned 2024 opening.](#)

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EUR49 monthly ticket on sale  
from 3 April

[With funding from both Federal and State authorities, the successor to last year's 9-Euro promotion will be valid for travel on public transport nationwide from 1 May.](#)



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[Orbital express tramline between Helsinki and Espoo moves to the next trial stage. Already ahead of schedule, the line's opening could be months earlier than planned.](#)

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