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## Next milestone for the world's biggest urban ropeway network Bolivia's Vice President García Linera opens the Línea Azul

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**The Línea Azul in El Alto marks another milestone for Bolivia's infrastructure. It is the first line completed by the Doppelmayr/Garaventa Group in Phase II of the world's biggest urban ropeway network. This latest route also connects the Public University of El Alto (UPEA) to the ropeway network. Bolivia's Vice President García Linera and Mi Teleférico officially inaugurated the network's longest line on March 3, 2017.**

Following in the footsteps of the three ropeway lines which have linked the Bolivian cities of La Paz and El Alto since 2014, the opening of the Línea Azul (blue line) in March 2017 heralds the second phase in the creation of what is to date the biggest urban ropeway network worldwide. The blue line lies entirely in El Alto and is directly linked to the existing Línea Roja (red line). This means that additional districts of El Alto are now connected with La Paz. The Línea Azul extends the public ropeway network by almost five kilometers with five new stations. The through travel system enables passengers to ride along the entire stretch from the first to the last station without having to change along the way. The route crosses the biggest street market in Latin America as well as linking UPEA to the ropeway network, making it a key means of public transport for the citizens of El Alto and La Paz.

Bolivia's President Evo Morales was visibly impressed after taking the first trip at the end of 2016: "Thanks go to the Austrian company Doppelmayr – a good ally and a good investment!"

Phase II is to include another five ropeway lines in addition to the Línea Azul, most of which are already under construction. Once these are completed, the network will comprise nine lines covering a total length of 30 kilometers and 26 stations. To date, 75 million people have been carried by the ropeways in La Paz and El Alto.

## Línea Azul: Facts & Figures

### 10-MGD Línea Azul Sección 1

<b>Owner:</b>	Mi Teleférico
<b>Location:</b>	El Alto (BOL)
<b>Inclined length</b>	3,170 m
<b>Vertical rise:</b>	-40 m
<b>Capacity:</b>	3,000 passengers per hour and direction
<b>Carriers:</b>	136 ten-passenger cabins
<b>Speed:</b>	5.0 m/s
<b>Trip time:</b>	13.62 min

### 10-MGD Línea Azul Sección 2

<b>Owner:</b>	Mi Teleférico
<b>Location:</b>	El Alto (BOL)
<b>Inclined length:</b>	1,723 m
<b>Vertical rise:</b>	-21 m
<b>Capacity:</b>	3,000 passengers per hour and direction
<b>Carriers:</b>	72 ten-passenger cabins
<b>Speed:</b>	5.0 m/s
<b>Trip time:</b>	7.17 min

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