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Another Urbino electric on Solaris's domestic market

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Soon passengers in Inowrocław, a city in northern Poland, will have the chance to take advantage of completely emission-free Urbino 12 electric. Two battery buses are to be delivered to a customer in the city next year. Therefore the number of Solaris electric vehicles sold in Poland rises to 15 units.

The Solaris Urbino 12 electric for Inowrocław are fitted with 201 kWh batteries and 160 kW traction motors. Batteries will be charged with the use of a conventional plug-in connection, although the construction of the bus offers an alternative to mount another charging system – a pantograph installed on the roof.

In addition, care has been taken to ensure safety and comfort of both passenger and the driver. All the buses will have a fully low floor and a kneeling function which enables them to lower the entrance side by approximately 70 mm. Apart from that, the battery vehicles will be fitted with air-conditioning in the whole passenger compartment as well as CCTV monitoring system. Separate air-conditioning will be installed in the cab, as drivers spend the most time in the bus. Both tire pressure and their temperature will be controlled by special sensors fitted in the bus. The Urbino electric offers wireless internet access on board and there will be USB chargers available in handrails, enabling to top up phones and other electronic devices.

The introduction of the first fully electric, battery-powered Solaris city bus took place in autumn 2011 at Transexpo Exhibition in Kielce, Poland. It was a 8.9-metre low entry midibus. One year later the company presented the first low-floor version of Urbino 12 electric. In recent months the range of Solaris battery buses broadened with articulated electric 18-metre buses. These exquisitely clean and quiet vehicles have already found many buyers on European markets, in Austria (Klagenfurt), Czech Republic (Plzeň), Spain (Barcelona), Germany (Berlin, Braunschweig, Dresden, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Hannover and Oberhausen), Sweden (Vasteras) and Poland (Inowrocław, Jaworzno, Ostrołęka, Warszawa). Altogether, 41 electric buses with various lengths, charging systems and battery capacities have been sold.

About Solaris Bus & Coach

Solaris Bus & Coach is a major European producer of city, intercity and special-purpose buses as well as low-floor trams. Since the start of production in 1996, over 12 000 vehicles have already left the factory in Bolechowo near Poznań. They are running in 29 countries. Despite its young age, Solaris has become one of the trendsetting companies in its industry. For many years it has been the indisputable leader among the suppliers of city buses in Poland as well as one of the largest suppliers of city buses in Germany.

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About our company

Solaris Bus & Coach sp. z o.o. is one of the leading producers of city and intercity buses in Europe. It focuses in particular on the development of zero-emission vehicles, i. e. electric and hydrogen buses as well as trolleybuses. This has resulted in the widest zero-emission product range in the European market and a leading position in this segment with a market share of 15.2%. Nearly 25,000 Solaris vehicles have been delivered so far and they ply the streets in 850 towns and cities across 33 countries located throughout Europe as well as beyond it. Solaris is part of the Spanish CAF Group (Construcciones y Auxiliar de Ferrocarriles) S.A. From conception, to the design and manufacturing phases, all Solaris buses are produced in Poland. Moreover, all activities undertaken by the manufacturer are in line with the brand's mission, which is reflected in the motto "We are changing the image of public transport". Solaris also actively partners with public transport operators and provides them with comprehensive support in their transition to zero-emission mobility.