



PRESS RELEASE

Debut of Solaris electric bus in Lithuania

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The city of Tauragė is the first in Lithuania to buy Solaris electric bus. On 21 March, Solaris signed a contract with the municipal transport operator for the delivery of the Urbino 8,9 LE electric. The first battery Solaris will hit the streets of the Lithuanian town in March 2020 at the latest.

The Solaris Urbino 8,9 LE electric is the first electric bus of Solaris commissioned in Lithuania. The debut vehicle was bought by the Tauragė city operator UAB Tauragės autobusų parkas on 21 March 2019. Passengers in this city will be able to experience the comfort of riding an uncommonly low-noise and eco-friendly electric bus of Solaris in March 2020 at the latest, as the vehicle is slated for delivery within 12 months.

The nearly 9 meter long electric bus will be fitted with 120 kWh batteries charged by a plug-in using an on-board charger. The bus will feature a 160 kW electric motor. The Urbino can carry up to 34 passengers, including 24 seated ones. A bay for wheelchair-bound passengers and those with prams will be located at the same level as the second door. Air conditioning, CCTV cameras, and a modern passenger information system will provide for the convenience and safety of travellers.

The Solaris brand has been present in Lithuania since 2004. Including the nearly 130 trolleybuses, there are nearly 380 vehicles cruising around the cities of Vilnius, Kaunas and Panevėžys. Over the next months, the fleet will see the addition of yet another 85 trolleybuses as a part of the order from Kaunas from last year.

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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.