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Solaris joins European Clean Hydrogen Alliance

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The European Clean Hydrogen Alliance is an initiative led by the European Commission. Its aim is to scale-up, by 2030, the production and deployment of hydrogen as a fuel produced by means of low-emission technologies and renewable energy sources. The European Clean Hydrogen Alliance is one of the many measures taken by the European Union to bolster its position as a world leader in the production and deployment of hydrogen in industry and the energy grid. It is also one of a host of actions intended to support the EU's goal to reach carbon neutrality by 2050.

Solaris joined a few dozen other entities as a member of the European Clean Hydrogen Alliance at the end of 2020. Being a European leader in the production of emission-free public transport vehicles, it unveiled its first buses to use hydrogen in 2014. Since then, hydrogen buses and trolleybuses produced by Solaris have made their way to the Netherlands, Germany, Italy, Sweden and Latvia. In the weeks to come, more European towns and cities wish to test Solaris Urbino hydrogen buses to assure themselves of the advantages of an emission-free hydrogen-based drive.

“Hydrogen-fuelled e-buses allow us to create a complementary emission-free bus portfolio thanks to which Solaris is ready for today's challenges and the diverse needs of customers as regards the range, flexibility and operability of vehicles. We believe that the development of all e-mobility branches - be they battery buses, trolleybuses or hydrogen-fuelled vehicles - should proceed in synergy, and that this process is part and parcel of ensuring the sustainable transport of the future. Therefore, hydrogen buses from Solaris do not constitute competition for our battery buses or models in the Trollino series. Quite the opposite: these technologies complement each other perfectly and they all benefit from the technological progress of electric drivelines and their components”, says Petros Spinaris, member of the Management Board of Solaris for Sales, Marketing and Customer Service.

As part of the European Clean Hydrogen Alliance, Solaris has been invited to participate in a mobility roundtable. In collaboration with other organisations promoting the deployment of hydrogen as an energy source, the manufacturer will seek to develop optimal solutions regarding the EU's energy transition to a climate-neutral economy.

Find out more about the initiative at:

https://ec.europa.eu/growth/industry/policy/european-clean-hydrogen-alliance_en

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About our company

Solaris Bus & Coach sp. z o.o. is one of the leading European bus and trolleybus manufacturers. Benefiting from nearly 25 years of experience and having manufactured over 20,000 vehicles, Solaris affects the quality of city transport in hundreds of cities across Europe every day. Thinking of the future, the firm is setting new standards by dynamically developing its products, in particular in the electromobility sector. Solaris

electric buses, trolleybuses and hydrogen buses are cutting-edge solutions for zero emission public transport. Solaris products have been repeatedly awarded for quality and innovation. The Solaris Urbino 12 electric won the prestigious European "Bus of the Year 2017" competition. In September 2018 Solaris Bus & Coach sp. z o.o. joined CAF Group.