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PRESS RELEASE

The Solaris Urbino 15 LE electric bus receives prestigious Sustainable Bus Award

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The Sustainable Bus Award ceremony took place on Friday, 19 November. The winner of the Urban category was the three-axle, intercity Solaris Urbino 15 LE electric bus.

This year's Sustainable Bus Award is the fourth edition of this international competition for the most innovative and sustainable buses and coaches launched on the European market. The main motivation behind the Sustainable Bus Award is to promote the idea of sustainable development in public transport and to establish a positive image for urban transport as an area that plays a substantial role in climate change-related activities. This year, the main prize, i. e. the Sustainable Bus Award in the Urban category, was awarded to the Solaris Urbino 15 LE electric bus.

"We feel honoured that our Solaris Urbino 15 LE electric bus has been recognised by the jury of this prestigious competition. Innovative public transport opens up completely new possibilities to us: clean air, quiet streets and no unpleasant noise. This is becoming a reality for an increasing number of towns and cities that are both people- and environmentally friendly. We are very glad that Solaris's contribution to safe, publicly accessible, sustainable transport is increasingly being recognised", said Mateusz Figaszewski, E-mobility Development and Market Intelligence Director at Solaris Bus & Coach at the prize-giving ceremony.

The jury consisted of representatives from leading trade magazines from all across Europe, namely: Mobilités Magazine (France), Busfahrt (Germany), AUTOBUS (Italy), Infotrucker (Romania), Carril Bus (Spain), Revija Tranzit (Slovenia) and Bus and coach professional (UK). The gala was hosted by Fabio Zammaretti, editor-in-chief at Vado e Torno Edizioni Srl and Riccardo Schiavo, editor at Sustainable Bus. The ceremony was also attended by Inge Buytaert, Communications Officer at Busworld and Umberto Guida, Senior Director of Knowledge and Innovation at UITP.

The jury drew particular attention to the three-axle structure of the Solaris Urbino 15 LE electric bus, which provides more comfort and driving stability. Additionally, the fact that the bus can be adapted both for city and intercity transport was recognised. No less insignificant was the extensive equipment installed in the vehicle, i. e. a wide array of state-of-the-art electronic safety features, including the possibility of real-time fleet monitoring. This 15-metre electric bus is fitted with six packs of traction batteries with a total capacity of 470 kWh to be charged both by plug-in and pantograph chargers.

The 15-metre electric bus was launched in October 2020. The vehicle has already received the "Sustainability Award 2021" for "the best electric bus", awarded by the trade magazine "busplaner".

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Solaris Bus & Coach sp. z o.o. is one of the leading European bus and trolleybus manufacturers. Benefiting from 25 years of experience and having manufactured over 20,000 vehicles, Solaris affects the quality of city transport in hundreds of cities

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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.