



PRESS RELEASE

Opoczno to invest in its first Solaris e-buses

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On 18 April, representatives from the Opoczno local authority signed a contract with Solaris to supply 12 e-buses along with the charging infrastructure. The zero-emission 9- and 12-metre Urbino electric vehicles will hit the streets of the town of Opoczno in 2024. This is the first ever order from this town to be completed by the bus maker. The value of the contract is over PLN 36 million gross.

Opoczno has taken decisive steps towards embracing e-mobility. The six Urbino 9 LE electric buses and six Urbino 12 electric units ordered by the town stand out due to their quietness and lack of local emissions. Apart from the vehicles, the order also covers the supply of charging infrastructure. The buses will roll out onto the streets of Opoczno in the first half of 2024. The total value of the contract exceeds PLN 36 million gross.

“The signing of the contract for 12 state-of-the-art electric buses, taking place today, is an event of enormous importance for us. We are delighted that Opoczno has decided to start collaborating with us, becoming yet another city on the map of zero-emission Solaris buses. E-mobility is, no doubt, the future of transport, and the zero-emission buses that will soon join the local fleet will bring numerous tangible benefits to the town’s residents”, underscored Jakub Zakrzewski, Sales Director for Northern Poland at Solaris Bus & Coach.

The new buses will be powered by modern High Energy batteries with a total capacity of 280 kWh in the 9-metre vehicles, and 420 kWh in the 12-metre units. The batteries will be charged conventionally via a plug-in connection. Smooth operation of the buses will be ensured by an electric central traction motor.

The comfortable interior of the Urbino electric vehicles, equipped with fully automated air-conditioning for the whole vehicle, will offer space for at least 55 people in the case of the shorter buses, and at least 70 passengers in the 12-metre vehicles. The buses will also feature a variety of amenities and modern solutions such as an automatic passenger counting system and thermal pre-conditioning during charging. The latter will allow the driving range to be increased as well as shorten the time needed between starting the bus and reaching the optimal temperature for passenger transport inside.

Solaris is a European leader in e-mobility. Over 600 e-buses made by Solaris already ply the streets in 53 Polish towns and cities. The Urbino 12 electric bus is one of the most popular and best-selling models in the manufacturer’s zero-emission range. This is precisely the model with which carriers often embark on their adventure with e-mobility. As for the Urbino 9 LE electric bus, it was launched one and a half years ago. The tremendous possibilities to flexibly adjust the vehicle to the varied requirements of carriers makes this compact model increasingly popular.

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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

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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.