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Even more e-buses in Sicily

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The Sicilian carrier AMTS Catania has ordered 42 Solaris electric buses. 32 Urbino 12 electric units, and 10 Urbino 18 electric ones, will be deployed transporting passengers in the port of Catania as early as 2024. This is yet another order from the carrier for electric buses manufactured by Solaris placed through the Italian central purchasing body Consip S.p.A. So far, 7 Urbino 12 electric buses have been transporting passengers around the city. They were put into operation at the beginning of this year, whereas another 11 units will be delivered by the end of this year.

The Sicilian city continues to invest in sustainable public transport. The carrier AMTS has signed a contract with Solaris for the supply of 42 battery-powered buses. The order has been placed as part of a framework contract signed in 2022 with the Italian central purchasing body Consip S.p.A., which brings together public transport companies in Italy. The delivery will comprise 32 12-metre Urbino 12 electric buses and 10 articulated Urbino 18 electric ones, and will take place in 2024-2025.

“We are extremely proud of the trust placed in our company by the carrier AMTS Catania, which has ordered another batch of zero-emission buses from our company. We are happy to be able to support the green transition of transport in Catania and to deliver more innovative solutions for the inhabitants of this lovely Sicilian port“, said Olivier Michard, Member of the Management Board for Sales and Marketing.

The electric buses due to roll out onto the Sicilian streets will be equipped with an electric central traction motor powered by Solaris High Energy batteries. The Urbino 12 buses will feature batteries with a total capacity of 350 kWh, while the Urbino 18 units will be fitted with 400 kWh batteries. The vehicles will be charged both by means of pantograph chargers as well as in the bus depot using a standard plug-in connector.

Solaris is a European leader in the production of electric buses. So far, the company has delivered over 2000 battery-powered buses to over a dozen European countries, including over 300 units to carriers from Italy.

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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 27 years of experience and having manufactured over 23,000 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.