



PRESS RELEASE

First Solaris buses delivered to Belgrade

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According to the contract schedule, the first buses were delivered to the capital city of Serbia in the first half of August. The next deliveries are scheduled as follows: 45 additional units in August, 45 units in September, 50 units in October and a last delivery of 50 units in November. All Solaris Urbino buses delivered to GSP will be in operation by the end of 2013.

Before deliveries to Belgrade started, Solaris trained drivers and technicians of GSP. Thanks to that, employees of GSP Belgrade could get to know the new vehicles in their fleet in detail.

Solaris will support GSP in servicing and maintenance for two years after delivery. The bus manufacturer has also established a spare parts stock in Belgrade. This solution will guarantee quick and efficient service to the customer.

"We are very satisfied about the quality of the buses that have been delivered and the training provided to our employees", underlined Mr. Milan Sofronic, GSP Technical Director. "Within the next few days, passengers of GSP Belgrade will start to experience the comfort of travelling by our new buses."

The order is the result of a competitive tender process won by Solaris. The €64 million contract was supported from EBRD funds.

The 200 articulated Urbino 18 for Belgrade offer a low floor throughout the entire bus and are fully air-conditioned. Their diesel engines meet the Euro 5 emissions standard. For the safety of passengers, each bus has a CCTV monitoring system with seven cameras.

Additional information:

Solaris is a leading European manufacturer of innovative buses and urban rail vehicles. The family business, founded by Krzysztof and Solange Olszewski, has supplied almost 10,000 buses to customers in 26 countries since production started in 1996. Solaris specialises in state-of-the-art city and intercity buses and offers the world's largest range of diesel-electric hybrid buses. Trolleybuses and electric buses provide public transport that is emission-free at the point of operation. The Solaris Tramino low-floor tram is built for attractive urban rail services.

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Photo: Nebojša Čeran, General Manager of GSP Belgrade and Adam Zieliński, Solaris Export Deputy Director at the official hand over of the first Urbino in Belgrade.

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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.