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# PRESS RELEASE

# 222nd Solaris bus in Switzerland joins Winterthur fleet

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Jubilee bus is a Solaris Urbino 12 for Stadtbus Winterthur. Cooperation began with the first Solaris bus in Switzerland in 2002. Stadtbus Winterthur runs the largest Solaris fleet in Switzerland.

The 222<sup>nd</sup> Solaris bus in Switzerland is an Urbino 12 low-floor city bus, which joins the fleet of Stadtbus Winterthur. Solaris board member Martin Gruber handed over the jubilee bus to Councillor Matthias Gfeller, Head of the City of Winterthur's Municipal Utilities Department, and Thomas Nideröst, Managing Director of Stadtbus Winterthur. Solaris and Stadtbus Winterthur have worked together ever since the first Solaris bus was delivered to Switzerland in 2002. This Urbino 12 from the model's previous product generation continues to serve the passengers of Winterthur.

Both Urbino 12 are part of the largest Solaris fleet in Switzerland, currently standing at 58 vehicles. Apart from 30 standard diesel buses and 18 articulated diesel buses, Stadtbus Winterthur also operates ten Trollino articulated trolleybuses.

"The delivery of the 222nd Solaris bus to Stadtbus Winterthur, the operator of the largest Solaris fleet in Switzerland, is a very happy occasion for us. We would like to thank Stadtbus Winterthur for the successful cooperation, which has been continued since the delivery of the first Solaris bus in 2002. We value the trust that has been extended to us once again. We are honoured by this long-standing partnership and will strive to continue to meet our customer's expectation in us. We are looking forward to continuing this sustainable relationship", said Martin Gruber, Member of the Solaris Management Board for Sales, After Sales, Marketing and Quality Assurance.

Solaris diesel buses and trolleybuses are operated by 33 transport companies in all parts of Switzerland. Over the past years, Solaris has established itself as the third largest supplier of new city buses to the country.

### 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 28 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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## Image Caption:

Image 1: Celebrating the handover of the 222nd Solaris bus in Switzerland to Stadtbus Winterthur are (from left to right) Stefan Siegfried (Managing Director Solaris Schweiz), Councillor Matthias Gfeller

(Head of Municipal Utilities Department), Thomas Nideröst (Managing Director Stadtbus Winterthur), Martin Gruber (Member of the Solaris Management Board for Sales, After Sales, Marketing and Quality Assurance), Małgorzata Olszewska (Daughter of the Solaris founding family). Image by: Stadtbus Winterthur

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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.