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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 a leading producer of city and intercity buses in Europe. It focuses on the development of low-emission and zero-emission vehicles, i. e. electric and hydrogen buses as well as trolleybuses. Over 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. All activities undertaken by the company are in line with its mission, which

is reflected in the brand's promise: to change 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. Solaris products have been repeatedly awarded for quality and innovation. The Urbino 18 hydrogen bus has won the prestigious 'Bus of the Year 2025' title.