



## PRESS RELEASE

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Having had its world premiere at IAA Commercial Vehicles exhibition in Hanover in 2014, Solaris's new generation city buses in 12-metre as well as 18-metre versions have already found buyers in European countries and have been very well received by operators and customers. At Busworld 2015, Solaris will unveil further models of the new Urbino. Introducing this new battery-powered bus and the full-size low-entry bus will represent the next stage of the major generation change Solaris has been making since last year.

#### **New Solaris Urbino 12 electric**

Emission-free and clean, the electric bus in Solaris's new design constitutes the most innovative item in the Solaris portfolio. The new 12-metre Urbino electric is fitted with the 3<sup>rd</sup> generation ZF AVE 130 electric drive with axle-mounted motors. This concept frees up space for passengers and significantly reduces the weight of the vehicle. Additional weight savings result from the underlying design of the new Urbino, which is several hundred kilograms lighter than its predecessor. The batteries, mounted at the back of the bus, deliver 240 kWh. They can be topped up via a pantograph installed on the roof. Also a traditional plug-in connection has been provided. Three battery-powered new Urbino have already been ordered by üstra Hannover City Transport.

#### **New Solaris Urbino 12 LE**

The 12-metre low-entry bus in the new design is the latest addition to the Solaris intercity buses range. Thanks to the new concept of the bodyframe, the new Urbino 12 LE is significantly lighter than its predecessor, yet the bus's passenger capacity has been increased. The vehicle which will be presented at the exhibition is fitted with a Euro 6 Cummins ISB6.7 engine which meets the most restrictive fuel emission standards. Furthermore, by the fact that the exterior of the new family of Solaris buses has been unified, operators will be able to use many identical components and spare parts for different models of Urbino, including the low-entry version.

#### **Further premieres**

During Busworld 2015, Solaris also will present a new concept bus in the midibus class. As subsequent models of based on the new Urbino construction, Solaris will introduce new Urbino 12 CNG and new Trollino 12 next.

**We invite you to Busworld 2015**

The new Solaris Urbino 12 electric, new Solaris Urbino LE as well as the concept midibus will be shown at Busworld exhibition, which will take place from 16<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> October 2015 in Kortrijk, Belgium. The latest Solaris innovative products will be possible to see at stand 406 in hall 4 at the Kortrijk Xpo grounds.

**About Solaris Bus & Coach**

*Solaris Bus & Coach is a major European producer of city, intercity and special-purpose buses as well as low-floor trams. Since the start of production in 1996, over 12 000 vehicles have already left the factory in Bolechowo near Poznań. They are running in 29 countries. Despite its young age, Solaris has become one of the trendsetting companies in its industry. For many years it has been the indisputable leader among the suppliers of city buses in Poland as well as one of the largest suppliers of city buses in Germany.*

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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.