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PRESS RELEASE

20 Solaris Trolleybuses to Go to Ploiești

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The Romanian city of Ploieşti has opted for 20 low-floor Solaris Trollino 12 trolleybuses. According to the contract worth PLN 36 million, the vehicles will have been delivered within two years from the signing date. These will add to electric vehicles made by the Polish manufacturer on Romanian roads.

The trolleybus network launched in Ploiești in 1997 is the newest of all networks in Romania. By placing the order the nearly 250,000-strong city will replace about half of its fleet. New Solaris vehicles will also make it possible for the city to expand existing traction lines and its transport network.

"I am extremely happy that further Solaris trolleybuses will drive along Romanian roads and that I can welcome the city of Ploieşti to our family of almost 750 towns and cities where our vehicles are in use. Over the last three years we have delivered solely low- or zero-emission vehicles to the Romanian market. The order placed by the city of Ploieşti represents a continuation of this resident-and environmentally friendly trend", said Petros Spinaris, deputy CEO of Solaris.

12-metre Trollino 12 trolleybuses commissioned by the city will be propelled by a 160 kW electric motor. Thanks to an ergonomic arrangement of the passenger compartment, the buses will offer 35 seats on board. The vehicles will also feature a space fitted with a strap system for passengers in wheelchairs or travelling with prams or pushchairs, and a ramp easing the entry installed at the middle-door. Trolleybuses are entirely low-floor and offer the kneeling function enabling the right side of the trolleybus to lower at a stop.

The Polish manufacturer will also implement a range of solutions increasing passengers' comfort and safety in its Trollino vehicles. These will mainly include air conditioning of the passenger compartment, a passenger information system, a set of video surveillance system cameras and routers ensuring access to wireless Internet, whereas a passenger counting system will be mounted above the doors.

The ordered Trollino 12 will be the first trolleybuses from Bolechowo to go to Ploieşti, but not the first ones in Romania. Solaris is the trolleybus market leader in the European Union and had already delivered nearly 100 trolleybuses to the Romanian municipalities of Baia Mare, Galaţi and Cluj-Napoca. At present, the Polish manufacturer is completing the delivery of 26 articulated trolleybuses to Braşov, and it has recently signed a contract for the delivery of 16 Urbino 18 electric buses to the city of Craiova. In total, the company has supplied over 300 buses and trolleybuses to Romanian carriers.

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Solaris Bus & Coach sp. z o.o. is one of the leading European bus and trolleybus manufacturers. Benefiting from nearly 25 years of experience and having manufactured over 20,000 vehicles, Solaris affects the quality of city transport in hundreds

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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 cuttingedge 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.