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ZeEUS eBUS REPORT #2 LAUNCHED: INITIAL SUCCESS LEADS TO NEW EDITION

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The ZeEUS eBus Report#2 has been officially launched during the Busworld2017 Expo in Kortrijk, Belgium (24 October 2017)

The second report – launched after the huge success of the first edition – is an extended and updated overview of high capacity electric buses in Europe.

Extensive data was gathered from 90 cities, 32 manufacturers and 8 electric system suppliers in order to comply the report.

The original report, published as part of the Zero Emission Urban Bus System (ZeEUS) project, revealed that 19 public transport operators and authorities, covering around 25 European cities, published an e-bus strategy for 2020.

With China, the USA and Europe as frontrunners, many other pioneering countries are joining the transition to the electrification of the bus systems.

The last few years have seen progressive and positive development in e-Bus technology – with cities such as London, Nottingham, Eindhoven, Amsterdam, Paris and Warsaw placing larger orders for e-buses. Other cities are expected to follow; heralding a ramp-up in production to address the increasing demand.

“As the ZeEUS project coordinator, UITP leads the way in supporting zero-emission transportation as a sustainable and efficient form of public mobility in our regions and cities. The ZeEUS project and UITP provide the knowledge and materials to assist public transport stakeholders in choosing the right solution for their operational scenario and implementing a suitable strategy to reduce urban transport emissions.” Umberto Guida, Director of Research & Innovation, UITP
The growing interest from urban mobility stakeholders in deploying clean buses was already highlighted in the first version of the ZeEUS eBus Report: over 40% of the EU operators and authorities surveyed were keen to switch to electric traction options and, within that category, mainly to hybrid and fully electric with batteries.

At the beginning of an era of connected and automated vehicles, shared mobility, zero emissions, and easy shifts between transport modes, it is high time to prepare the future of mobility in Europe.

“ZeEUS is a shining example of stakeholder commitment to deliver on electromobility and the efforts deployed by the project partners over the last years lay the foundations of future developments in the use of e-buses in the urban context.”
Claire Depré, Head of Unit, "Sustainable and Intelligent Transport" Directorate-General for Mobility and Transport European Commission

UITP would like to express our deepest gratitude to all public transport operators, authorities, manufacturers and suppliers for their invaluable contribution to this unique report. We thank them for taking up the e-bus challenge and being true pioneers in the transition to zero-carbon transport systems for our cities and regions.

For more information on the ZeEUS eBus report visit the website
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