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SBB orders five more Giruno trains from Stadler

SBB orders five additional Giruno high-speed trains from Stadler for the planned expansion of its international services to Italy. Just like the 29 Giruno trains from the first series, the trains will also be manufactured entirely at the production plant in Bussnang, Switzerland. The Giruno, Stadler's SMILE, is the first high-speed train in Europe to be designed and built completely barrier-free and fully complies with the Disability Discrimination Act.

The demand for train travel between Switzerland and Italy has risen steadily in recent years. This success encourages the cooperation partners Trenitalia and SBB to work together to make the international offer even more attractive and expand it further, particularly on the Gotthard line.

For the planned expansion of its services, SBB commissioned five more Giruno trains from Stadler which will be manufactured at the production plant in Bussnang by the end of 2025. These five vehicles are part of the option right that SBB publicised in the Giruno tender.

The existing 29 Giruno were ordered in 2014 and delivered by 2021. The vehicles now run between Basel/Zurich to Lugano/Milan and on to Genoa, Bologna and Venice. Seven additional Giruno trains have been ordered in 2022. The first vehicles are expected to be delivered in the course of this year and are planned to run Switzerland and Germany via Basel from 2026. See media release dated 15/06/2022.

"The Giruno represents Stadler's innovative strength and is the result of our long-standing and successful collaboration with SBB. We would like to thank SBB for their trust and look forward to continuing this partnership," says Ansgar Brockmeyer, Executive Vice President Marketing & Sales at Stadler.

The Giruno, Stadler's SMILE high-speed train, is an eleven-car electric multi-system multiple unit train with a length of 202 metres and a top speed of 250 kilometres per hour. In double traction operation, it offers an impressive 810 seats.

With an innovative low-floor entrance for different platform heights in four countries and exemplary implementation of the disability equality standard, the Giruno offers a high level of

accessibility and it is characterised by outstanding travel comfort. Thanks to its features, such as the excellent mobile phone reception, Wi-Fi, power sockets at each seat, large luggage racks and modern LED lighting, the Giruno offers an incomparable travel experience.

About Stadler

Stadler has been building trains for 80 years. The provider of mobility solutions in rail vehicle construction, service and signalling technology has its headquarters in Bussnang in eastern Switzerland. More than 13,500 employees work at several production and engineering sites and over 80 service locations. The company is aware of its social responsibility for sustainable mobility and therefore stands for innovative, sustainable and durable quality products. The product range in the mainline and urban transport sector includes high-speed trains, intercity trains, regional and suburban trains, underground trains, tram-trains and trams. Stadler also manufactures mainline locomotives, shunting locomotives and passenger coaches. Stadler is the world's leading manufacturer of rack-and-pinion railway vehicles.

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