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Stadler is to supply additional trams for Bybanen Bergen

Bybanen Bergen is ordering an additional six VARIOBAHN trams from Stadler for the expansion of its fleet. The transport company is thus increasing its Stadler-fleet to 34 vehicles. The order volume is approximately 27 million Euros.

Bybanen Bergen commissions Stadler to build six additional light rail vehicles. The new trams are intended for use in the city's light rail network and are due to be delivered from the end of 2021 onwards according to contract. The seven-part bidirectional vehicles offer space for more than 280 people on a length of around 42 meters. They are fully step-free and have a constant low-floor floor level. The comfortable cars have a bright, friendly passenger area and are fully air conditioned in the passenger and driver compartments. An optimum passenger flow is achieved thanks to five external swinging-sliding doors on each side of the vehicle.

The light rail Bergen started operations on 22 June 2010 on a 9.8 km long first leg from the city center to Nesttun in Fana. By April 2017, two more sections were opened to Rådal as well as to Bergen Airport. The entire city rail network is operated with VARIOBAHN vehicles. With the decision for the third phase of the network, the first option for a further eight vehicles was exercised together with the order of an extension of all existing 20 VARIOBAHN trains from five to seven-part vehicles.

«Hordaland County Council is very pleased with making another contract with Stadler for six additional light rail vehicles. They will be set in use in 2022 when we are extending the Bybanen to another suburb, Fyllingsdalen. We are looking forward to offer our commuters and travellers even more of the comfortable and good vehicles from Stadler», says Ingrid Holm Svendsen, CEO of Hordaland County Council.

«We are very pleased to continue our successful and cooperative partnership with Bybanen in Bergen with the order for six VARIOBAHN optional trams. It makes us proud to have a share in a piece of successful urban development by the means of public transport with the provision of the vehicle fleet in operation», says Jure Mikošić, CEO of Stadler Pankow GmbH.

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About Stadler

International rail vehicle construction company, Stadler, is headquartered in Bussnang in Eastern Switzerland. Founded in 1942, it has a workforce of over 10,500 based in various production and over 40 service locations. Stadler provides a comprehensive range of products in the heavy and urban transport segments: High-speed trains, intercity trains, regional and commuter heavy rail trains, underground trains, tram trains and trams. Stadler also manufactures main-line locomotives, shunting locomotives and passenger carriages, including the most powerful diesel-electric locomotive in Europe. It is the world's leading manufacturer in the rack-and-pinion rail vehicle industry.

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