



First MAN TGE rolls off the line

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- **A highly promising collaboration begins**
- **High quality in MAN TGE production**

A month after the sales launch, the first production MAN TGE is rolling off the line at the newly constructed plant in Wrzesnia, Poland. The teams headed by Jens Ocksen (CEO of Volkswagen Poznan) and Dennis Affeld (Senior Vice President Sales Van at MAN Truck & Bus) jointly take delivery of the first MAN TGE, a silver van with the VIN number ... 01.

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The launch of the TGE marks the start of a new era for MAN. It is the first time MAN Truck & Bus has marketed a light commercial vehicle, and represents a response to the demand from many long-standing customers in the logistics, courier and parcel service, after-sales and trades sectors. The main reasons for the increasing use of large vans are the expansion of online shopping, harmonised driving licence regulations, the wide-ranging versatility of the vehicles and their car-like handling and performance. Increasing urbanisation, especially, is driving demand for a broad range from 3 tonnes gross vehicle weight rating upwards.

Good reasons, indeed, to source such a model within the Group, utilising available synergies. "Our recently established plant in Wrzesnia is setting new quality standards. The vehicles undergo a wide range of quality checks. The dimensional stability of the body shell itself is repeatedly checked during the assembly process by automated lasers and digital cameras on multiple geometric stations. I am therefore delighted to be supplying the MAN brand with a model of such high value added as this first TGE", comments Jens Ocksen. Dennis Affeld enthusiastically agrees: "We are looking forward to combining the high-quality production standards of the TGE with MAN's professional sales and service network. We have no doubt our customers will love it. We plan to sell about 20,000 vehicles a year."

MAN Truck & Bus is one of Europe's leading commercial vehicle manufacturers and transport solution providers, with an annual revenue of some 9 billion euros (2016). The company's product portfolio includes vans, trucks, buses/coaches and diesel and gas engines along with services related to passenger and cargo transport. MAN Truck & Bus is a company of Volkswagen Truck & Bus GmbH and employs more than 35,000 people worldwide.

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The vehicle with VIN number 1 is a silver van with a short wheelbase and high roof. The high-roof MAN TGE is around six metres long with a load capacity of 10.7 cubic metres. The van – in weight rating variants up to 3.5 tonnes – is powered by a highly efficient 1968 cm³ capacity diesel engine developing 103 kW/140 hp. There is already one site where the vehicle will be in use: the MAN plant in Munich.

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