



Warsaw steps it up another gear with MAN

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From the spring of 2019, a further 110 natural gas-powered MAN Lion's City low-floor buses will be driving around the streets of the Polish capital.

- **Warsaw bus operator MZA has ordered a total of 110 Lion's City CNG vehicles**
- **Largest purchase of low-emission city buses in the history of MZA**
- **Delivery of the solobuses and articulated buses planned for the spring of 2019**

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At the end of June, the company MAN Truck & Bus Polska was able to win the order of 80 natural gas buses from Warsaw bus operator MZA. The order involves the purchase of 50 articulated buses and 30 solobuses from the MAN Lion's City CNG range. Another 30 gas buses are to follow a short while later, meaning that a total of 110 new Lion's City CNG buses will be starting their service in the Polish capital at the start of 2019.

"This is the largest purchase of low-emission buses in the history of our city's bus company. There are currently 35 gas-driven buses driving around the capital; in the coming year, the number will increase by as many as 110. Environmental protection is our main priority and so we are already planning the next purchases. In 2020, more than 300 gas and electric buses will then be on the road for the city's bus company," said Renata Kaznowska, Deputy Mayor of the city of Warsaw.

"The acceptance of our offer demonstrates the excellent collaboration that unites us. It also confirms that the MAN buses in the fleet of MZA, the city's bus company, have proven themselves to be a reliable means of transport in the local public transport system," added Jean-Sylvain Delepaut, member of the executive board at MAN Truck & Bus Polska.

MAN Truck & Bus is one of Europe's leading commercial vehicle manufacturers and transport solution providers, with an annual revenue of some 10 billion euros (2017). The company's product portfolio includes vans, trucks, buses/coaches, diesel and gas engines along with services related to passenger and cargo transport. MAN Truck & Bus is a company of Volkswagen Truck & Bus AG and employs more than 36,000 people worldwide.



All of the ordered buses will be built in the MAN plant in Starachowice, the MAN competence centre for city buses. In line with the standards of the Warsaw transport association, the buses will have ticket machines, air conditioning, video surveillance and electronic displays on the inside and outside. The most important distinguishing feature, however, is the environmentally friendly and economical gas-powered drive. Such buses can also be driven with refined biogas without any technical modifications, meaning that they are almost CO₂ neutral. MAN currently offers the widest range of gas-powered buses on the market, including 12-m-long solobuses and articulated buses 18.75 m in length with a low-floor chassis and lowered entrance.

Amongst other things, the "Bus of the Year 2015" award presented to the Lion's City GL CNG proves that MAN has the necessary expertise and extensive experience in constructing buses/coaches with CNG drives. MAN Truck & Bus has been Europe's unchallenged market leader in gas buses for several years now – recently with an average market share of 39 percent. Over one fifth of the city buses sold by MAN in the past year run on natural gas.