



## **Slovenian première: First MAN Lion's City Hybrid delivered**

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**The first city bus with a hybrid drive system, an MAN Lion's City Hybrid, has now been on the road in Slovenia for a few weeks. An important step in the direction of sustainable transport.**

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- **Arriva Group and Municipality of Jesenice setting new standards for sustainable transport in Slovenia**
- **MAN Lion's City Hybrid serving urban routes in Jesenice**
- **Hybrid bus consumes up to 30% less fuel per year**

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Jesenice is a town in the Slovenian region of Upper Carniola, near the country's border with Austria. And it is now the scene of a première, as the location where MAN Truck & Bus Slovenia handed over the first hybrid bus to run on Slovenian streets, with the Municipality of Jesenice and the Arriva Group receiving the vehicle. The company operates local public transport in the area, which has a population of close to 22,000. For a few weeks now, the MAN Lion's City Hybrid has been transporting passengers from A to B safely, comfortably and with decreased use of resources.

"We are proud that the MAN Lion's City Hybrid is part of such an important milestone. This city bus is the perfect solution for the scheduled urban services of the future," said Claus Wallenstein, director of MAN Truck & Bus Slovenia. New transport solutions are a necessity due to global urbanisation, climate change, and increasing pressure on transport companies with regard to air and noise pollution in urban areas. "We have the privilege of working together with partners who have a strategic vision and clear guidelines in terms of modern urban transport. Our goal is to provide the best possible support to them. We have managed to set new standards for sustainable transport in Slovenian towns and cities by pursuing these same principles, including reliability, efficiency and environmental protection," Wallenstein added.

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 TRATON AG and employs more than 36,000 people worldwide.



The MAN Lion's City Hybrid combines sustainable driving with maximum cost-effectiveness. The hybrid bus consumes up to 30 percent less fuel per year, meaning that it saves up to 10,000 litres of diesel fuel, considerably reducing the operator's carbon footprint. The MAN Lion's City Hybrid decreases emissions released into the environment by up to 26 metric tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year in comparison to city buses powered by conventional engines. And exhaust gas aside, the noise emissions are also considerably lower – a plus when it comes to quality of life in urban centres.

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Caption:

Arriva is operating an MAN Lion's City Hybrid in the town of Jesenice, the first hybrid bus in Slovenia.