

## PRESS RELEASE

### 3 VDL Bus & Coach premieres at Busworld 2013

**VDL Bus & Coach introduces no fewer than three premieres during Busworld 2013. The Futura range is being extended with the Futura FMD2, a multipurpose vehicle that takes maximum advantage of the modular construction technique employed by VDL and all the related benefits. On the stand will be the FMD2-129, with a length of 12.9 metres. Within the Citea range there are two new models. One is the Citea SLFA, an articulated city and intercity bus with lengths of 18 and 18.75 metres, of which the 18 metre-version will be shown to the public for the first time. The Citea MLE (Midi Low Entry), a new model for the public transport segment comprising midi buses, is offered in lengths of 8.8 to 10.8 metres. The MLE-88, with a length of 8.8 metres, will be on the stand. VDL Bus & Coach will be in hall 4 at stand 404. Busworld 2013 is being held in Kortrijk (Belgium) from 18 through 23 October 2013.**

#### Demo rides VDL Citea Electric

The VDL Citea Electric, a fully electric Citea SLF Low Floor with a length of 12 metres, is located in the outdoor area adjacent to the VDL Bus & Coach stand. The demonstration rides will provide you with the opportunity to experience the sublime electric drive of this Citea yourself. The ability to choose from various electric drives and battery packages ensures that the most ideal and optimal combination can be selected for every deployment area, without consequences for accessibility, interior layout or comfort.

#### Ready for the future

Also on display at the stand are a Futura FHD2-129 with a length of 12.9 metres, a Futura FHD2-139 with a length of 13.9 metres and the lightweight champion Citea LLE-120. All the vehicles are fitted with Euro 6 engines from the renowned engine suppliers with which VDL Bus & Coach has partnerships (DAF, Cummins, FPT). In the outdoor area are a MidCity and a MidEuro. Both vehicles are based on the facelifted Mercedes-Benz Sprinter.

#### VDL Bus & Coach

The core activities of VDL Bus & Coach consist of the development, manufacturing, sales and after-sales of a wide range of buses, coaches and chassis modules and the purchase and sales of second-hand buses. Manufacturing takes place in the Netherlands and Belgium. VDL Bus & Coach places high value on quality, safety, durability, the environment, low fuel consumption, comfort and low maintenance costs. Sales of VDL Bus & Coach products take place through a worldwide network consisting of corporate-owned sales offices, importers and agents in more than 30 countries. This makes it possible to offer custom-made transport solutions. For after-sales and maintenance, the client can count on rapid, hassle-free assistance from VDL Bus & Coach employees in any of the many service locations. An extensive distribution network ensures that



spare parts and accessories are delivered to the requested destination as quickly as possible. VDL Bus & Coach is one of the largest bus producers in Europe.

### VDL Groep

VDL Bus & Coach is part of the VDL Groep. The VDL Groep, with its head office in Eindhoven, is an international industrial company focused on the development, production and sales of semi-manufactured products, buses & coaches and finished products. Since the founding in 1953 this family-owned company has grown to include 81 operating companies, spread over 18 countries with approximately 8,800 employees. The strength of the VDL Groep lies in the mutual cooperation between the companies.

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