Press information

Volvo delivers 80 bi-articulated buses to Ecuador BRT-system

Volvo Bus Latin America has received an order for 80 bi-articulated buses to the BRT system of Quito, capital of Ecuador. The order confirms Volvo Buses’ leading position within the BRT segment.

This is the first time that bi-articulated buses will run in Quito’s public transport system.

“The city is investing in improving its urban transportation system and our high-capacity passenger vehicles will help them meet the demand in the BRT corridors”, says Euclides Castro, Urban bus commercial manager, Volvo Bus Latin America.

The Volvo buses are B340M, 27 meters in length and can carry 250 passengers. The bi-articulated buses will be bodied by Superpolo.

This higher transport capacity enables a reduction in the number of vehicles operating in the corridor, which consequently increases the average speed of the system, reducing emissions of pollutants and operating costs. The first buses will start to operate May, in time for the city’s anniversary celebrations.

Volvo is a pioneer in the development of vehicles for BRT systems and recognized as the market leader. The company has delivered more than 4,000 buses to the BRT-systems of Curitiba, Bogotá, Guatemala City, Mexico City, Santiago de Chile and San Salvador.

“Bi-articulates is the best solution to increase the efficiency of urban mass transit systems in large cities. They reduce displacement time; in addition to reducing emissions and operating costs, because they reduce the number of buses on the streets”, affirms Luis Carlos Pimenta, president of Volvo Bus Latin America.
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