

PRESS RELEASE

Delivery six Citeas LLE-99 for Seatour in Italy

In June 2017 six VDL Citeas LLE-99 were delivered to Seatour, an Italian passenger transport company. These are the first Citeas LLE with a length of 9.95 metres that will be put in service in the Lazio region of Italy. Their low kerb weight and manoeuvrability makes these buses ideal for navigating narrow streets. The new Citeas will therefore be used as suburban buses in the area to the west of Rome (Cerveteri - Ladispoli – Fiumicino).

VDL Citea LLE-99

The Citea LLE-99 is an innovative lightweight bus concept. The 9.9 metre length version was specially designed for sparsely populated areas and for scheduled services with clear peak and off-peak hours. The low kerb weight means the Citeas LLE-99 consume significantly less fuel, resulting in a substantial reduction of CO₂ emissions. The high total passenger capacity in relation to the length further optimizes the TCO (Total Cost of Ownership). An additional benefit is the manoeuvrability: the shortened wheelbase and rear overhang significantly reduce the turning circle and swept path, making it easier to manoeuvre in narrow streets. The Citeas LLE for Seatour have a 29+2+1 seating arrangement and space for 48 standing passengers.

Seatour

Seatour is a family company for passenger transport in Italy. The fleet consists of more than 100 vehicles for public transport, school transport and rental. Of these, 40 line buses are in operation in cities in the provinces of Rome and Viterbo. Safety and reliability of the product are of paramount importance at Seatour, both for the passengers and the drivers. This is why Seatour has a preference for VDL vehicles, which already comprise a large portion of the fleet. The Futura FHD2 is used for the transport of passengers from the cruise ships mooring in Civitavecchia and for tourist transport. In addition, Seatour has around ten Midcity city vehicles, and their fleet has now been expanded with six Citeas LLE. Seatour can rightfully be called a faithful VDL customer.

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, the conversion or extension of mini & midi buses 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

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