

«Heuliez Bus and Forsee Power combine expertise to accelerate electric mobility in Europe and internationally»

At Busworld 2017 hosted in Kortrijk, Belgium from the 20th to the 25th of October, Heuliez Bus and Forsee Power announced the signature of a contract to provide smart battery systems for more than 500 electric buses over the next 3 years.

Kortrijk, October 20th, 2017 – As part of its plan to develop a complete range of 100% electric standard and bendy buses, Heuliez Bus has signed a contract with battery specialist Forsee Power for the supply of energy storage systems produced to an exclusive design.

The two groups have been working together since 2015 on the development of a 100% electric transport system for use in Europe and international markets, where the pace of the transition to electric motive power has accelerated since the beginning of this year. The European market for electric buses (excluding Russia) is estimated at between 2,500 and 3,500 buses per year between now and 2020, and is expected to double over the subsequent five years. All of which opens up exciting opportunities for the two partners.

The Heuliez Bus GX ELEC range is proving attractive to the first cities to go electric

The GX 337 ELEC will enter service in Tromdheim, Norway in the second half of 2019, in La Rochelle, France in the first half of 2018, and in other European cities over the coming months.

To deliver an effective response to every network need, the GX ELEC range offers solutions from 12 to 18 metres, with depot charging or fast intermediate charging by pantograph. Whichever battery charging method is preferred, the solutions offered by Forsee Power deliver one of the best densities in the market, at the same time as the best balance between range and GX ELEC passenger capacity.

«Heuliez Bus has well-developed expertise in electric mobility, uses a production line with special industrial tooling to assemble roof-mounted battery modules, has its own test track and qualified personnel fully accredited to work on traction batteries in live systems.» explains Remi Foyer, CEO of Heuliez Bus.

Forsee Power... the market's most comprehensive offering of public transport batteries

Heuliez Bus has chosen to partner with Forsee Power, the leading specialist in smart battery systems, to benefit from its expertise and vast experience in electric mobility markets (buses, scooters, trains and boats).

Forsee Power has the most comprehensive range of battery systems for the transport market, and works alongside leading manufacturers in Europe, North America and Asia. Its Pulse, Zen

and Flex solutions are designed to respond to every autonomy challenges (energy) and/or power requirement, and are suitable for use with every type of battery charging infrastructure.

«We are delighted to see that the energy transition in Public Transport is now accelerating. Our teams have been working for 6 years on the development of hi-tech solutions that have proved their value in use with leading stakeholders in the global transport market. We also offer battery finance solutions in association with NEMT Capital, and provide second life battery management solutions. So we are well and truly ready. This contract with Heuliez Bus sends a very positive signal about the strength of the electric mobility market» says Forsee Power Chairman and CEO Christophe Gurtner.

| Offering | Technology | Applications |
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| Forsee Pulse | LTO/ liquid cooling | Hybrid. Rechargeable hybrid. All electric with fast charging. Electric with fuel cell. |
| Forsee Flex | NMC/ liquid cooling | Intermediate charging. Overnight charging. |
| Forsee Zen | NMC/ air cooling | Long journey range with overnight charging. |

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About Forsee Power

Forsee Power is a specialist in smart battery systems for the electric transport (Smart Transport), portable and mobile equipment (Smart Life) and energy storage markets (Smart Energy).

A major commercial and industrial player in Europe, China and North America, the Group designs, assembles and supplies energy management systems based on the most robust cells on the market as well as provides installation, commissioning and on-site or remote maintenance. With its modular solutions, Forsee Power guarantees that customers buying its batteries enjoy security, energy efficiency, thermal management, long-term reliability and long working life.

Producing innovative products with high added value that embody its scientific and industrial strength, Forsee Power is an agile and reliable partner to the energy transition. The Group has already invested over €100 million in R&D and registered more than 80 patents.

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About HEULIEZ BUS

Being ISO 9001, ISO 14001, ISO 50001 and OHSAS18001 certified, **HEULIEZ BUS**, is a Company of the international Group CNH INDUSTRIAL. Its industrial facility is located in Rorthais (France) and has a total of 23 hectares at its disposal, including 28,500 covered sqm. All the departments of the company: R&D, production, sales, after-sales, training, spare parts, accounts, purchasing, human resources are merged on a site situated in Rorthais.

Heuliez Bus, a major player in the field of public transport and characterized by its commitment to protecting the environment, has always developed alternative powertrains. The Company is presently the number one bus builder in France with the hybrid technology, having a 44,7 % market share on this segment and is now developing a full electric range which is perfectly in line with non-pollutant and quiet mode of transport.

The company received the “French Origin Guaranteed (Origine France Garantie)” label for the all range of buses produced in the plant of Rorthais. This label promoted by Association Pro France, and authorized by Bureau Veritas is given on the basis of two mandatory criteria: -the product must have acquired its essential characteristics in France, and at least 50% of the product's added value must be produced in France. This last criteria is situated between 50 and 80 % for the Heuliez Bus range. Heuliez Bus is working with a hundred or so french suppliers and sub-contractors.

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