

## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **VDL Citea SLF Electric wins Busworld Ecology Label**

The VDL Citea SLF-120 Electric has been awarded with a Busworld Ecology Label during the Busworld award ceremony. This label is a clear indication that full electric buses are the ultimate solution for urban mobility. The fast charge buses from VDL score very well on total environmental performance. The small battery packs reduce the carbon footprint drastically in comparison to buses with large batteries.

#### **Ecological benefits**

In combination with a fast charging pantograph, it is possible to drive longer distances during the day. On energy and emission level, the fully electric climate system with an efficient heat-pump has a positive impact on the energy balance of the vehicle. Further ecological benefits were found in the upholstery of passenger seats which are Cradle-2-Cradle certified. The VDL Citea SLF-120 Electric is available for test drives during the whole Busworld exhibition, so everybody is welcome to experience the difference this VDL Citea Electric makes!

#### **VDL Citea Electric**

The modular construction of the Citea range means that there are many electric variants with customised solutions in the fields of design, powertrains and battery packs, putting VDL Bus & Coach at the forefront of the transition to efficient zero-emissions public transport systems. Many customers opt for one-stop shopping. Not only the bus, but also implementation, maintenance and delivery of charging infrastructure and energy are provided by VDL. By doing this VDL Bus & Coach is contributing actively to a cleaner environment, lower energy consumption and a quieter and healthier living environment.

#### **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**

VDL Bus & Coach is part of VDL Groep. VDL Groep, with its head office in Eindhoven (The Netherlands), is an international industrial company focused on the development, production and sales of semi-finished products, buses & coaches and other finished products and the assembly of cars. Since the founding in 1953 this family-owned company has grown to include 93 operating companies, spread over 19 countries with approximately 16,000 employees and an annual turnover of 3.2 billion euros in 2016. The strength of VDL Groep lies in the mutual cooperation between the companies.

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