

Sustainable Bus Award 2019 the prize gets more European at IAA

- · Sustainable Bus Award 2019 will be delivered in September at IAA
- The jury represents six European countries: Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Spain

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The jury becomes more representative of the European market and the award giving day is established. The journey towards the Sustainable Bus Award 2019 prize-giving ceremony is starting, as the deadline is already marked on the calendar: the winners will be announced in **September** in **Hannover**, during **IAA 2018**, the international fair of commercial vehicles. The award, that comes to the 3rd edition, will still be delivered on a prestigious stage: last year it was held at Busworld Kortrijk, in Belgium.

The world of public transport is now approaching a turning point. Next two years will be crucial for the diffusion of electric buses. An evolution that is supposed to modify the standards of mobility specially in urban areas, and increases the influence of the **the first and only European award that acknowledges sustainability in the field of buses**.

Sustainable Bus Award is split in three categories (Urban, Intercity and Coach) and is promoted by the italian magazine **AUTOBUS** together with a parterre of specialized magazines that now represent six European countries. The network of the award consists of **1BUS** (Austria), **Mobilités Magazine** (France), **Busfahrt** (Germany), **AUTOBUS** (Italy), **OV-Magazine** (Netherlands), **InfoBus** (Poland), **Carril Bus** (Spain).

Previous edition of Sustainable Bus Award was won by Vdl in the field of urban buses with the Citea Slfa-181 Electric, protagonist of the biggest fleet of electric buses in Europe, recently showcased by Helioz in the Netherlands. As most sustainable Intercity bus, Iveco Crossway Le Natural Power was elected. Finally, Setra ComfortClass S 516 Hd/2 received the prize in the Coach category. The awards distribution was a confirmation of a fundamental concept: the goal of sustainability doesn't expect a single solution, but a series of solutions that depend on the category and the type of use. It is not for nothing that all the finalists in urban category were electric buses, while gas drives starts to affirm themselves for intercity services and diesel remains the king for long distance applications.

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"Sustainable Bus Award" could be considered the outcome of Mobility Revolution Bus, the sustainability index that has been used for all veichles presented and tested by Autobus magazine since the beginning of 2016. It is the result of a partnership between LifeGate and Autobus. The award also takes advantage of Giulio Ceppi, professor at Politecnico university in Milan, contribution.

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