

A new record production for IVECO BUS with the delivery of the 40,000th Crossway

IVECO BUS reached another important milestone delivering its 40,000th Crossway to ARRIVA Czech Republic at its Vysoké Mýto plant.

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Launched a decade ago, the Crossway range has been specially designed to cope with the challenges of city and intercity passenger transportation – thanks to low entry and normal floor versions – while also meeting environmental targets with Euro VI diesel and natural gas engine options.

The Crossway range is well regarded by customers and industry, having received numerous awards such as the “International Bus & Coach Award 2017” and “Sustainable Bus of the Year 2018” for its Crossway Low Entry version in diesel and natural gas versions respectively.

Already recognised as the European leader in the intercity segment – particularly in France, Italy, Germany and Eastern Europe – the Crossway has now broken new ground, reaching the record production of 40,000 units. Extremely popular with both private transport companies and public transport authorities, the Crossway is the ideal choice for customers thanks to its profitability and versatility.

This jubilee 40,000th Crossway, equipped with a Cursor 9 engine and 14.5m in length, marks an important milestone for IVECO BUS and its Vysoke Myto plant. This Crossway LE Line enables easy wheelchair access thanks to its front and middle door and is a part of a delivery of 15 buses, supporting the renewal of the company’s fleet. Currently, Arriva operates 2,000 vehicles and transports more than 115 million passengers.

“I am proud that Crossway, with the serial number 40,000, will be owned by Arriva. In the long term, we support the domestic production of modern and quality buses. This will be appreciated by our passengers, who can enjoy greater comfort while travelling. All new buses have air conditioning, comfortable seats with high backs, LCD screens with stop information, but also a Wi-Fi network and USB chargers for recharging mobile phones,” said Daniel Adamka, CEO of ARRIVA TRANSPORT ČESKÁ REPUBLIKA.

The bus will be deployed as part of the Prague Integrated Transport and passengers will recognise it by the number 40,000 on its side.

This new milestone also consolidates the Vysoké Mýto plant as a reference point in the industrial sector: located 180 km east from Prague, it has a long-lasting tradition of producing coaches and buses, having been in operation for more than 120 years. With more than 3,800 employees, plus 1,700 subcontractors, it is one of the largest employers in the Czech Republic and Europe’s largest bus manufacturer, producing more than 4,000 vehicles per year.



“With this new record production, the Crossway range confirms its position as the undisputed European leader in intercity category. Thanks to an extended range, we are now able to offer the perfect match for every need, including natural gas,” commented Stephane Espinasse, IVECO BUS Brand Leader.

The Vysoké Mýto plant also won the World Class Manufacturing bronze medal, an international recognition that assesses the organisation of a production system to manage factories to the highest world standards. This is a fitting reward for the company’s commitment to making its production processes continuously more efficient and flexible, aimed at positioning itself as among the most competitive in the world, through an active and continuous investment policy.

“The 40,000th Crossway is an important milestone for IVECO BUS and all our employees here, in Vysoké Mýto. This plant is key in the global development plan of our brand,” said Sylvain Blaise, Head of Global Bus Division.

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A major player in the field of public transport, and among the leading bus and coach manufacturers in Europe, IVECO BUS designs, manufactures and markets a broad range of vehicles that meets all the needs of public and private operators:

- school, intercity and tourism coaches (Crossway, Evadys and Magelys)
- standard and articulated city buses, including BRT dedicated versions, with a strong leadership in clean technologies such as CNG and Hybrids (Urbanway and Crealis)
- minibuses for all passenger transport missions (Daily)
- different chassis for bodybuilders.

IVECO BUS employs over 5,000 people across two production units, in Annonay, France and in Vysoké Mýto, Czech Republic. Both factories were awarded the bronze medal in 2013 following their WCM (World Class Manufacturing) audits, an international methodology for managing manufacturing processes according to best standards worldwide.

The extensive IVECO BUS and IVECO service network guarantees assistance around the world wherever an Iveco Bus vehicle is at work.

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