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Denmark: Keolis begins operating two bus networks in the Northern Jutland region running predominantly on renewable energy

- On 8 August 2021, Keolis Denmark, Keolis' Danish subsidiary, started the operation and maintenance of two bus networks in the Northern Jutland region in north-western Denmark.
- The €190 million¹ contract was awarded to Keolis in December 2020 by the Public Transport Authority Nordjyllands Trafikselskab (NT) to operate and maintain 77 buses, 67 of which run on renewable energy, for 10 years. They will serve a population of 500,000 in the city of Aalborg and surrounding towns.
- This strengthens Keolis' presence in Denmark, where the Group has been providing shared mobility services for nearly 15 years.

Keolis' international CEO, Bernard Tabary said: "Our partnership over the past 13 years with Nordjyllands Trafikselskab has delivered a strong performance by offering a reliable and safe service for passengers, which we look forward to continuing. We take great pride in reducing emissions and creating a cleaner and healthier environment for Northern Jutland's inhabitants and visitors".

Renewable energy for the majority of the Aalborg area's 77 buses

The two networks in Northern Jutland will provide services to the 500,000 inhabitants in Aalborg, the region's capital, and the surrounding towns. The networks consist of 25 lines and will connect the city with a university, a major hospital due to open in 2022 and an airport for domestic and international flights.

The total fleet of 77 buses, 67 of which run on renewable energy², will cover nearly 10 million kilometres per year. The fleet is composed of three new Scania bus models including vehicles measuring 12.8 metres (33 seats + 56 standing), 13.2 metres (41 seats + 17 standing) and 13.7 metres (37 seats + 74 standing). 32 of the buses will be equipped with amenities including Wi-Fi and power outlets to improve the passenger experience.

The networks feature 16 depots that have parking, washing and refuelling facilities. An upgrade of the depots is planned for the autumn of 2021.

¹ Cumulative revenue

² Hydrogenated Vegetable Oil (HVO)



Nearly 15 years of presence in Denmark

The start-up of the bus networks in the Northern Jutland region is another milestone that strengthens Keolis' presence in Denmark, where it has been operating since 2007.

It employs 1,600 people and operates around 500 buses in several regions³, as well as the country's first tram network in Aarhus. In 2021, the Group launched electric buses in Odense and the Greater Copenhagen region.

Keolis is gearing up for the launch of a second tram network in Odense, which is scheduled to come into service in early 2022.

Key figures

- €190 million contract
- 25 bus lines
- **77 buses**, of which 67 run on HVO biofuel
- 10 million kilometres covered per year

About Keolis

Keolis is a pioneer in developing public transport systems and works alongside public authorities who want to enhance shared mobility systems to grow the appeal and vitality of their regions. A world leader in operating automated metro and tramway systems, Keolis and its partners and subsidiaries Kisio, EFFIA, Keolis Santé and Cykleo support the core business with innovations offering new and bespoke shared mobility solutions for modes including trains, buses and coaches, trolleybuses, shared car solutions, river and sea shuttle services, bike share services, car sharing, fully electric driverless shuttles and urban cable cars. In France, Keolis is the second largest provider of parking management solutions through its subsidiary EFFIA, and the country's leader in medical transport since the creation of Keolis Santé in July 2017. The Group is 70%-owned by SNCF and 30%-owned by the Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec (Quebec Deposit and Investment Fund) and employs 68,500 people in 16 countries. In 2020, it posted revenue of €6.1 billion. In 2019, 3.4 billion passengers used one of Keolis' shared mobility services. www.keolis.com

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