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SBB orders 60 double-deck trains from Stadler

SBB is ordering a further 60 InterRegio double-deck trains from Stadler for approx. CHF 1.3 billion. In doing so, SBB is creating sufficient capacity for the expansion of its regional service offer and fulfilling the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act on its long-distance services. SBB is exercising an existing option to procure the 60 new trains.

By procuring 60 InterRegio double-deck trains (IR double-decker), SBB is strengthening its existing fleet with a tried-and-tested vehicle type. 41 of the vehicles will help to replace the old fleet and to fulfil the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA) on long-distance services. This includes the requirement for barrier-free boarding of trains for persons with reduced mobility by the end of 2023. 19 of the vehicles will also be used to reduce capacity bottlenecks for regional services in the Zurich region and the French-speaking part of Switzerland, to facilitate the expansion of SBB's service offer and to provide greater comfort. The first vehicles will be in use as off timetable 2024.

SBB already has 93 IR and RE double-deck vehicles in its possession and is exercising an existing option to procure the 60 new vehicles.

Bicycle spaces, multifunctional compartments and power sockets

The IR double decker is a multiple unit train and offers 466 seats over a train length of 150 metres. The low-floor design facilitates barrier-free boarding for all passengers. The interior corresponds to the standard in long-distance services and offers 2:1 seating in 1st class. There are power sockets, easily accessible bicycle spaces, multifunctional compartments with space for pushchairs, plenty of toilet facilities and a modern information system available throughout the train. Stadler calls the IR double-decker a "comfortable innovative speedy S-Bahn train" ("komfortabler innovativer spurtstarker S-Bahn-Zug" or "KISS" in German).

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About Stadler

Stadler has been building trains for over 75 years. The provider of rail vehicle construction solutions has its headquarters in Bussnang in eastern Switzerland. It has a workforce of around 12,000 based in various production and engineering locations as well as more than 40 service locations. The company is conscious of its social responsibility for sustainable mobility and therefore stands for innovative, sustainable and durable quality products. The product range in the field of mainline railways and city transport includes high-speed trains, intercity trains, regional and suburban trains, metros, tramways and trams. Stadler also manufactures main-line locomotives, shunting locomotives and passenger carriages. It is the world's leading manufacturer in the rack-and-pinion rail vehicle industry.

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