



# Charge station by induction on the street: Braunschweig

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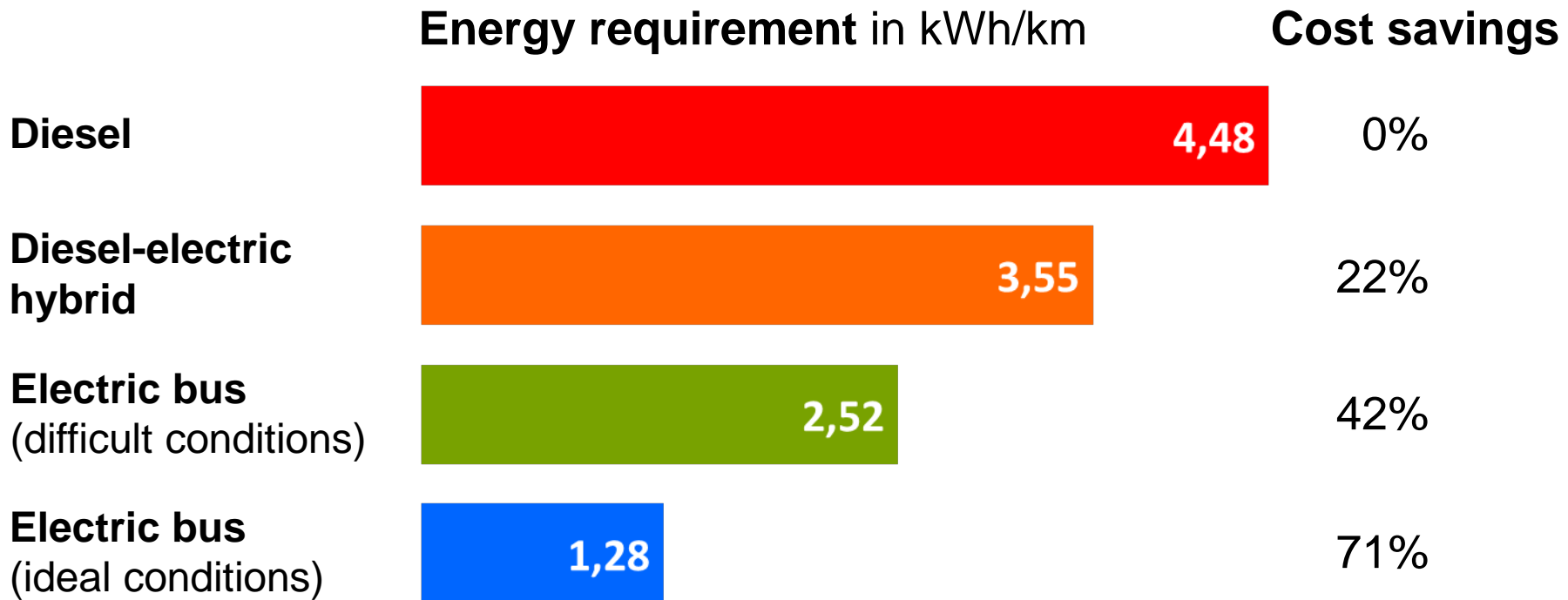
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# How to define electric buses?



## Electric buses are energy-efficient



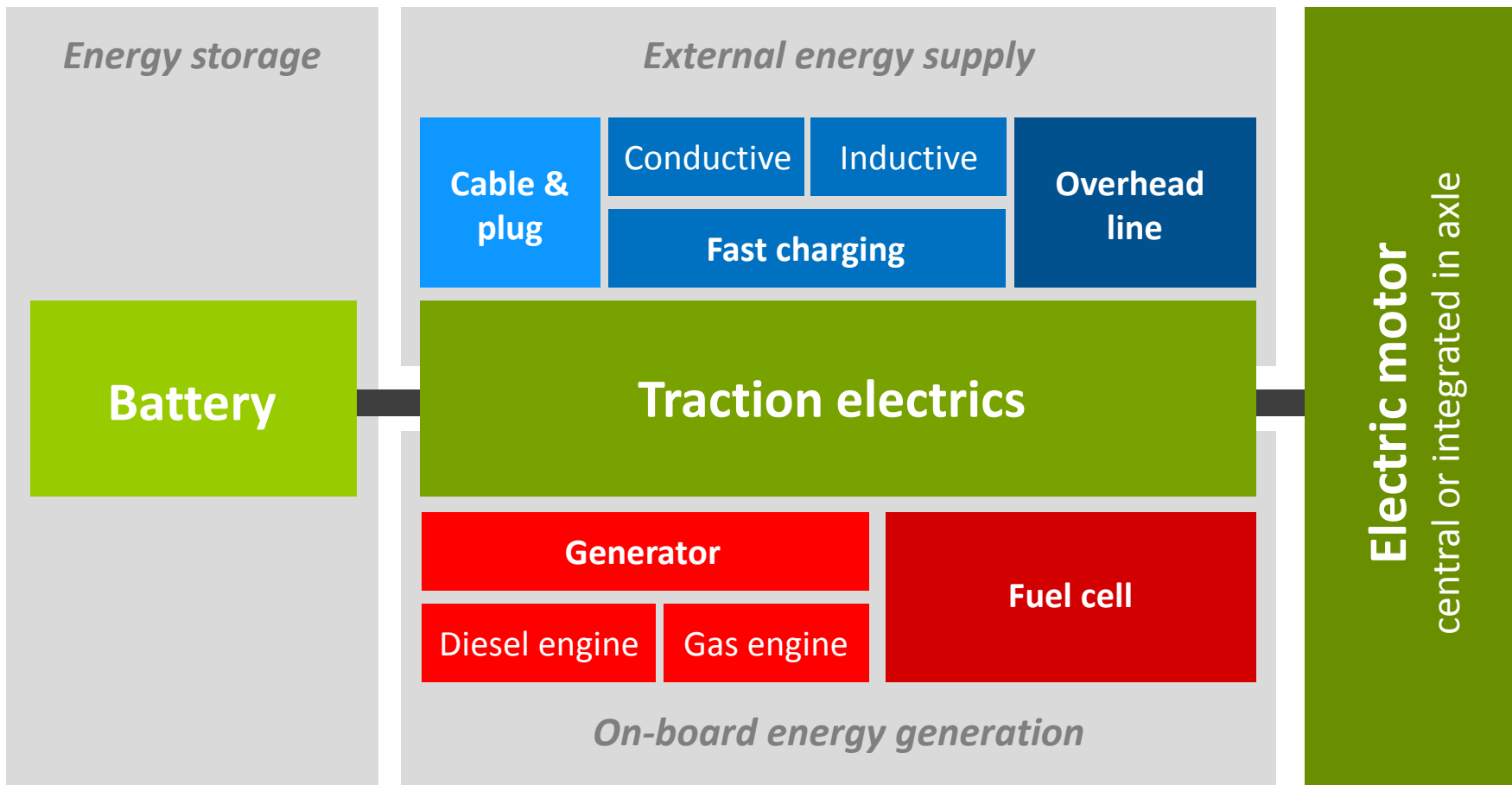
Data for **12-metre standard bus**, according to **SORT 2** (without heating), own measurements  
Cost of 1 litre diesel 5.52 PLN, cost of 1 kWh electricity 0.56 PLN



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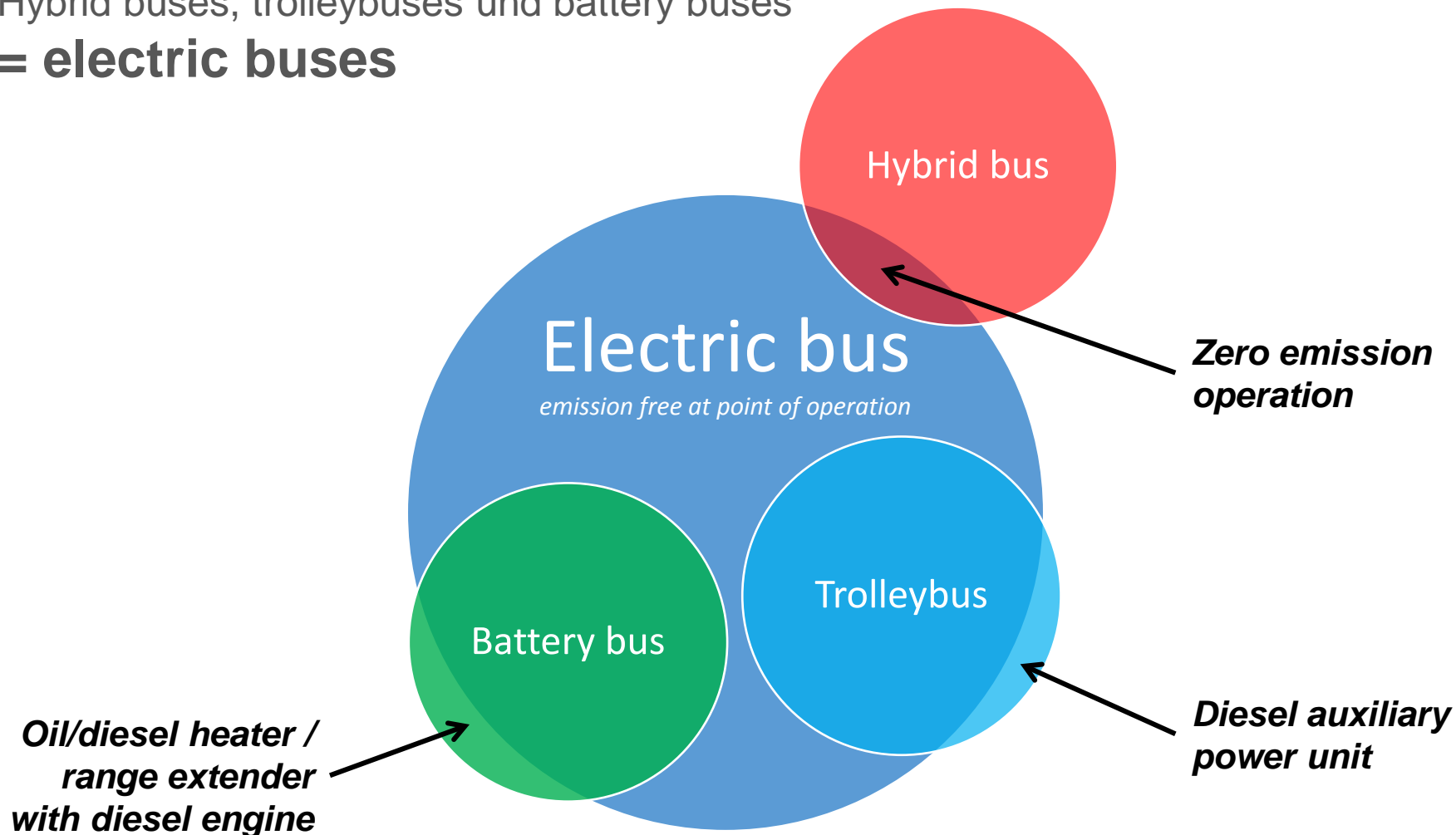


## Electric drivetrain is at the heart of all electric buses



# How to define electric buses?

Hybrid buses, trolleybuses und battery buses  
**= electric buses**



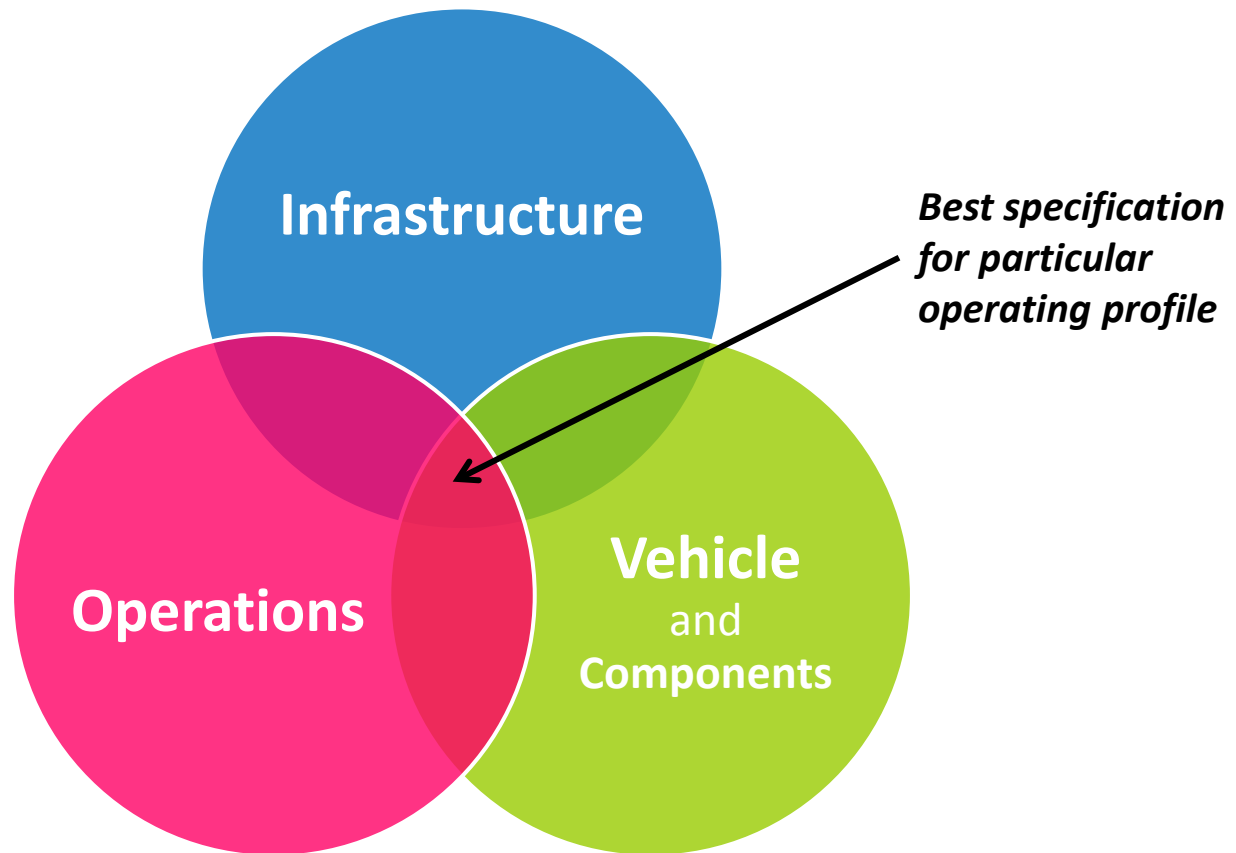
## Electric mobility – without dogma

- For Solaris, **electric buses can be:**
  - Hybrid buses
  - Plug-in hybrid buses
  - Trolleybuses
  - Hybrid trolleybuses
  - Battery buses
    - Overnight charging
    - Conductive opportunity charging
    - Inductive opportunity charging
    - Range extension with fuel cells



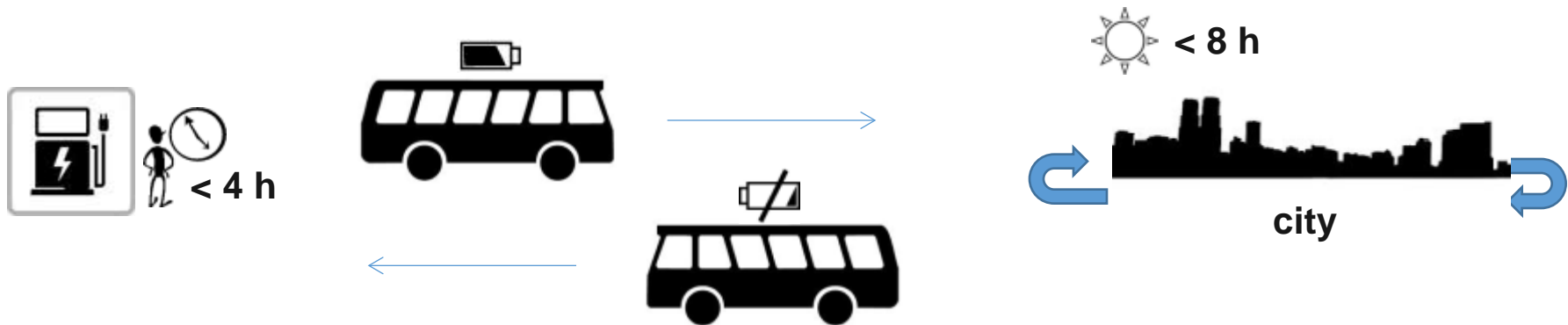
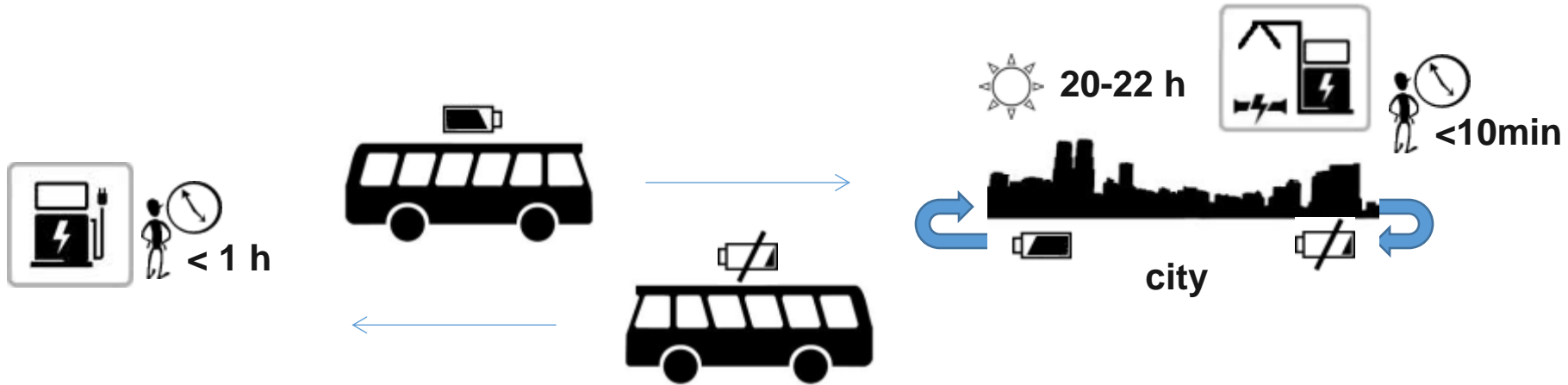
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# Infrastructure and operational time



## External charging concepts

- **Cable & plug**
  - **16–80 kW** charging power (limited by plug)
- **Conductive opportunity charging with pantograph**
  - **200–450 kW** charging power
  - Two systems
    - Solaris (with Eko Energetyka)
    - Schunk Smart Charging
- **Inductive opportunity charging**
  - **200 kW** charging power
  - Bombardier Primove



## Range extension

- Buses can be fitted with **fuel cells to extend the operational range**
  - Battery remains source of traction power
  - Fuel cells are used to recharge the battery
- First buses for **Hochbahn of Hamburg for operation on Innovation Line 109**, supported by German Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure
- To be used in **bi-articulated electric buses** currently under development



## Choice of length

- Electric bus range covers the most common vehicle lengths
  - **Midibus** (8.9 metres, low entry)
  - **Standard bus** (12 metres, low floor)
  - **Articulated bus** (18 metres, low floor)
  - **Extended articulated bus** (18.75 metres, low floor)
  - *Under development*: **Bi-articulated bus** (24 metres, low floor)



## Available battery sizes

	High Power <sup>1</sup>					High Energy <sup>2</sup>			
kWh	Bombardier		Solaris			120	160	200	240
	60	90	75	100	125				
Cable & plug	✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓
Pantograph				✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Induction	✓	✓							

<sup>1</sup> Lithium-titanite ( $\text{Li}_4\text{Ti}_5\text{O}_{12}$ ): warranty for 10,000 cycles within 5 years

<sup>2</sup> Lithium-iron-phosphate ( $\text{LiFePO}_4$ ): warranty for 3,300 cycles within 5 years



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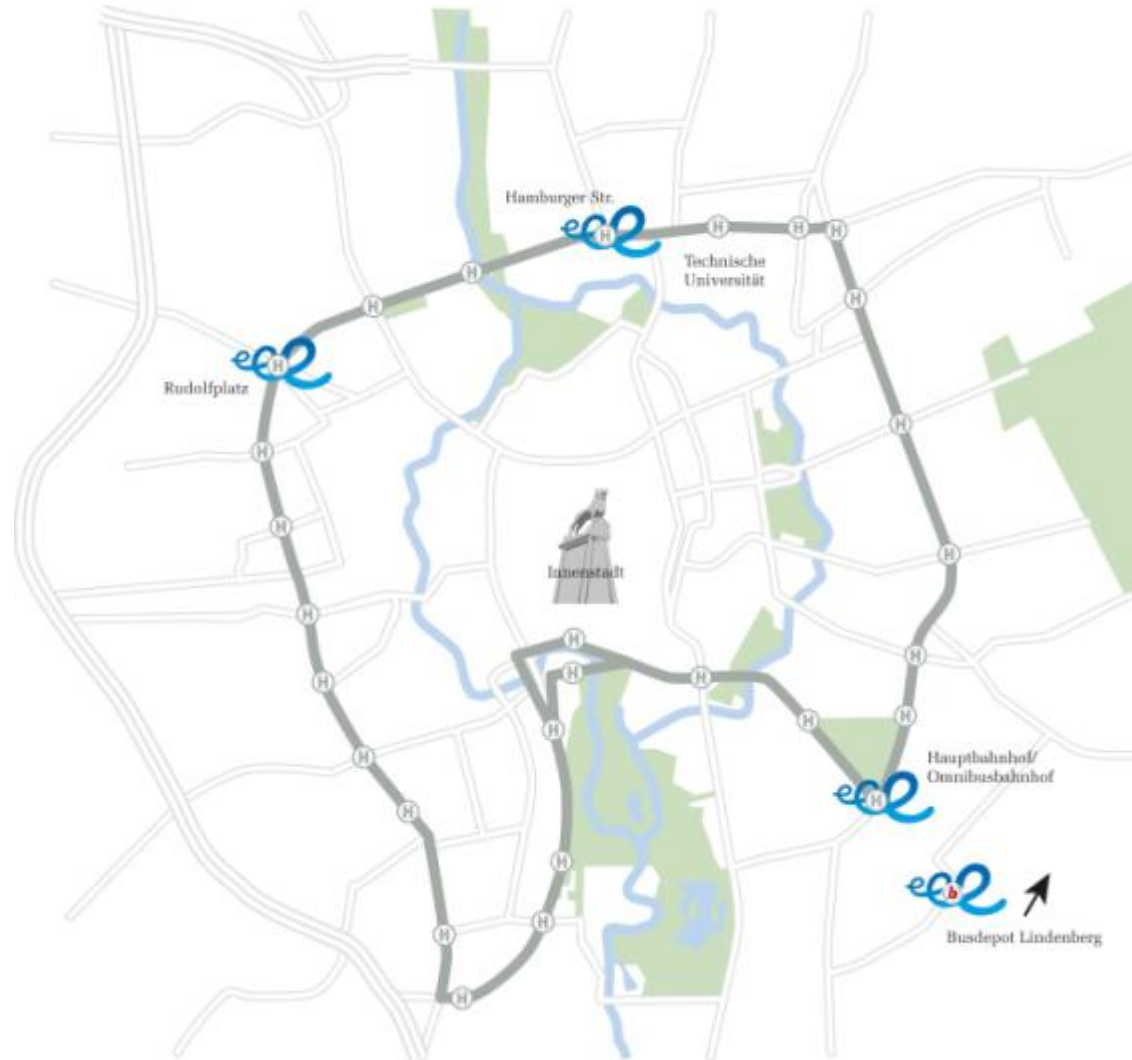
## „Emil“ project: electric mobility line M19 in Braunschweig



## Line M19

- 12 km distance
- 1 end stop
- 25 stops on route
- 18 km/h average speed
- Operating frequency  
every 10 minutes (working days)  
every 15 minutes (weekends)

*More often charging operations allows to use smaller and lighter battery. Thanks to this we can keep high passenger capacity of the bus*





## Battery charging

- **Inductive charging**  
Bombardier Primove system
  - Dedicated pick-up coil under bus floor
  - Dedicated inductive coil under the surface of the street
  - Charging station integrated with advertising column
- **200 kW charging power**
- **4 charging points/stations**  
with different charging times
  - 1 at the end stop (up to 11 minutes)
  - 2 at the bus stops (up to 30 seconds)
  - 1 at depot (up to 15 minutes)



## Vehicles



### 1 standard bus

- Inductive fast charging
- 60 kWh battery
- In service from March 2014



### 4 articulated buses (+ 1 option)

- Inductive fast charging
- 90 kWh battery
- In service from late 2014



## Reliable drive and charging technology

- Initial operating experience confirms reliability of electric drives and charging systems
- Urbino 12 electric and Urbino 18 electric in **Braunschweig** in service since March and December 2014 respectively, inductively charged with Bombardier Primove
  - 80% availability in first five months of operation of Urbino 12 electric
  - Energy consumption of Urbino 18 electric 1.7 kWh/km
  - Quiet and smooth drive characteristics
- Urbino 12 electric in long-term test in **Kraków**, cable & plug charged



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## Battery buses operated and tested in numerous European cities



- Operators**  
(includes orders)
- Long-term tests**
- Tests and demonstrations**  
(selection)

Solaris is a partner in the **European Union's ZeEUS project**



## Finding the right technologies

- Market currently is in a phase of **testing different concepts** for electric buses
- **No clear indication yet which technologies will become preferred choices**
- Solaris supports exploration of opportunities with wide range of drive and charging technologies, adapted to individual operators' requirements
- Open questions surrounding operational integration **to be explored in practice**

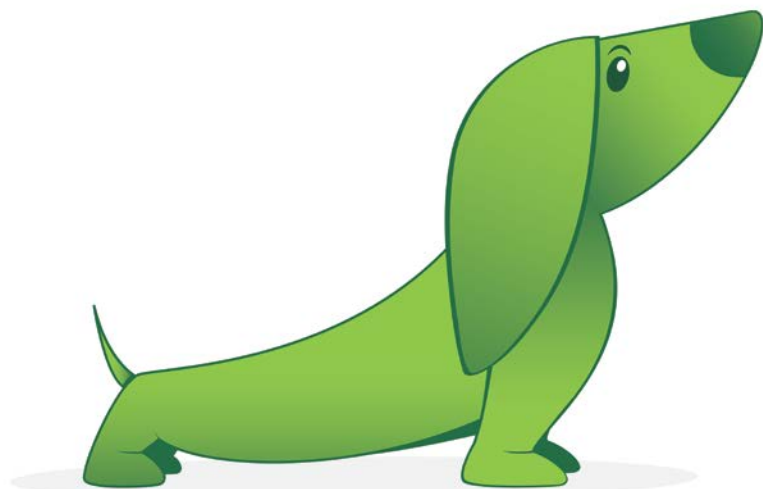
- **What will the future mix of fleets be?**

- Only battery buses?
- Mix of battery and plug-in hybrid buses?
- Mix of battery and diesel buses?
- Opportunity charging or range extenders?



# Thank you for your attention!

Any questions?



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