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Expansion of Scania's city bus business in Brazil

Scania is making new inroads into the major Brazilian city bus market. In July, the company will deliver 32 low-floor L94s to operator Carris Porto-Alegrense.

Carris, which accounts for one-fifth of urban bus traffic in Porto Alegre, has a fleet of 315 buses and carries 260,000 passengers daily. With the latest order, the company will double its complement of Scania low-floor buses

"Porto Alegre is typical of many cities which have chosen the Scania L94 as the standard for modernising and expanding their city bus fleets. Scania is the only busbuilder which can offer a low-floor chassis with kneeling – which greatly facilitates entry and exit – directly from the factory," says Wilson Pereira, Bus Sales Manager in Brazil.

With its rear-mounted engine, air suspension, automatic transmission, low floor and kneeling function, Scania's L94 model meets all of the comfort standards demanded by city bus operators in Porto Alegre and several other major Brazilian cities. Brazilian city buses are traditionally built on standard chassis with a floor level of 900-1,000 mm. Scania's low-floor bus has a floor level of 320 mm, which can be further reduced with the kneeling function at bus stops.

Scania is one of the leading makes of intercity buses in Brazil, which is both the world's biggest bus market and Scania's biggest individual market. With its 4-series, which was launched in Latin America in 1998, Scania offers a city bus built to European standards, a type which is increasingly in demand.

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Scania is one of the world's leading manufacturers of trucks and buses for heavy transport applications, and of industrial and marine engines. With 26,900 employees and production facilities in Europe and Latin America, Scania is one of the most profitable companies in its sector. In 2000, turnover totalled SEK 53,800 million and the result after financial items was SEK 4,500 million. Scania products are marketed in about 100 countries worldwide and some 95 percent of Scania's vehicles are sold outside Sweden.

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