Joint press release

## from Siemens Mobility GmbH, DB Regio AG and the Verkehrsverbund Berlin-Brandenburg

Berlin, February 14, 2020

## Siemens Mobility builds regional trains for the Lausitz

- DB Regio orders 18 three-part Mireo trainsets from Siemens Mobility
- Service in the Lausitz regional network
- Enhanced passenger comfort, barrier-free convenience and higher capacity

DB Regio has ordered 18 three-part Mireo trainsets from Siemens for service in the Lausitz regional network in the states of Brandenburg and Saxony. On December 17, 2019, DB Regio was awarded the contract for the Lausitz network by the Verkehrsverbund Berlin-Brandenburg (VBB) on behalf of the State of Brandenburg and the Zweckverband für den Nahverkehrsraum Leipzig (ZVNL).

The 18 new three-part Mireo trainsets from Siemens Mobility have 180 seats, enhanced passenger comfort and full barrier-free access. The order includes a high level of features, including WLAN, charging stations for e-bikes, energy-saving lighting, power sockets with integrated USB charging ports, inductive charging at the tables with vis-à-vis seating, and premium-quality first class sections.

State Secretary Rainer Genilke of the Brandenburg Ministry for Infrastructure and Planning commented: "This is good news for the Lausitz region. With the new Mireos, we're getting more modern and higher-quality trains, which is exactly what we had envisioned for the Lausitz network in the tendering process in 2019. Moreover, we'll be adding more train-kilometers on the network and reorganizing the service in the region from southern Brandenburg to Saxony. By undertaking these

SIEMENS



Siemens Mobility GmbH Otto-Hahn-Ring 6 81739 Munich Germany **Deutsche Bahn**Potsdamer Platz 2
10785 Berlin
Deutschland

Joint press release from Siemens Mobility GmbH, DB Regio AG and the Verkehrsverbund Berlin-Brandenburg

developments in our transport sector, we'll be supporting structural change in the Lausitz region."

Dr.-Ing. Joachim Trettin, CEO of DB Regio AG, Regio Nordost, said: "The contract for the Lausitz network with these new trains marks a great success. It's especially important for us that we were able to secure employment for our colleagues in southeast Brandenburg for a further 13 years. The modern trains will offer our passengers a substantially improved level of comfort and convenience: Features like WLAN, USB charging ports and even charging stations for e-bikes will clearly increase the attractiveness of public transport in Brandenburg and Saxony."

Susanne Henckel, Managing Director of the Verkehrsverbundes Berlin-Brandenburg: "We're really excited about the latest generation of trains planned for the Lausitz region. We'll be further improving the already high-quality standards in regional transport, and our passengers can look forward to modern, attractive and reliable trains."

"We are delighted that we have been commissioned to build the new trains for the Lausitz network. With this order, the number of Mireos will increase to almost 180 train sets! The Mireo is our intelligent and proven regional and commuter platform, which combines economy with sustainability over the entire life cycle of the train and enables increased passenger comfort through many extras such as inductive charging options, WLAN and comfortable seats," said Sabrina Soussan, CEO of Siemens Mobility.

The new Mireo trains will cover 4.3 million train-kilometers a year and operate on the following routes:

- RB11 Frankfurt (Oder) Cottbus Finsterwalde Falkenberg (Elster)
- RB49 Cottbus Ruhland Elsterwerda-Biehla Falkenberg (Elster)

Joint press release

from Siemens Mobility GmbH, DB Regio AG and the Verkehrsverbund Berlin-Brandenburg

RE10 Frankfurt (Oder) - Cottbus - Falkenberg (Elster) - Eilenburg - Leipzig Hbf

RE10V Cottbus - Leipzig Hbf

RE13 Cottbus - Senftenberg - Elsterwerda

Siemens Mobility is building the 18 Mireos at its plant in Krefeld, Germany, and is planning to deliver the trains beginning in autumn 2022. Commissioning of the trains will take place between October 2021 and November 2022, and passenger service is scheduled to begin in late 2022.

## Contact for journalists:

Siemens Mobility GmbH

Silke Thomson-Pottebohm, Phone: +49 174 306 3307

E-mail: Silke.Thomson-Pottebohm@siemens.com

Deutsche Bahn AG

**Burkhard Ahlert** 

Sprecher Berlin, Brandenburg und Mecklenburg-Vorpommern

Phone: +49 (0) 30 297-58200

presse.b@deutschebahn.com

www.deutschebahn.com/presse

twitter.com/DB Presse

A press picture is available at <a href="https://sie.ag/2HihjlJ">https://sie.ag/2HihjlJ</a>

For further information about topic Mireo, please see

https://press.siemens.com/global/en/feature/new-mireo-intelligence-rails

Follow us on Twitter at: www.twitter.com/siemensMobility

## Joint press release from Siemens Mobility GmbH, DB Regio AG and the Verkehrsverbund Berlin-Brandenburg

Siemens Mobility is a separately managed company of Siemens AG. As a leader in transport solutions for more than 160 years, Siemens Mobility is constantly innovating its portfolio in its core areas of rolling stock, rail automation and electrification, turnkey systems, intelligent traffic systems as well as related services. With digitalization, Siemens Mobility is enabling mobility operators worldwide to make infrastructure intelligent, increase value sustainably over the entire lifecycle, enhance passenger experience and guarantee availability. In fiscal year 2019, which ended on September 30, 2019, the former Siemens Mobility Division posted revenue of €8.9 billion and had around 36,800 employees worldwide. Further information is available at: <a href="https://www.siemens.com/mobility">www.siemens.com/mobility</a>.

**DB Regio AG** is part of Deutsche Bahn AG and provides transport services in local rail passenger transport. DB Regio Nordost runs local trains and S-Bahn trains in Berlin, Brandenburg and Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania.

The **Verkehrsverbund Berlin-Brandenburg (VBB)** is one of the largest public transport authorities in Europe. Every day, more than four million passengers use the buses and trains of around 40 public transport companies coordinated by VBB. The VBB stands for a common fare system in the two states of Berlin and Brandenburg, for uniform passenger information, and for the planning, tendering and management of regional and S-Bahn railway services. Further information is available at: vbb.de