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## Award winning metro from Siemens: Munich C2 train wins design prize

Siemens and Munich City Utilities (SWM) are jointly celebrating a success for "good looks", now that the new Type C2 metro trains for Munich have won yet another design award. On Monday evening the "Red Dot Award" for product design was presented at the "Designers' Night" in Essen, Germany. The train had already won the "Universal Design Award 2013" and the "Universal Design Consumer Favorite 2013" in February of this year. The design was the result of close collaboration between the Munich transit company MVG, a subsidiary of SWM, and N+P Industrial Design. The trains are to be built by Siemens Rail Systems in Vienna and Munich.



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More space plus innovative LED lighting make the C2 trains even more elegant than its predecessor. Copyright: SWM/MVG/N+P Industrial Design

The prize was awarded, above all, in recognition of the high quality of the train's design. In the opinion of the jury, the C2 meets the demands placed by a variety of

user groups on a modern mode of transportation. On Monday, Head of MVG Herbert König announced: "The Red Dot Award for our new train further corroborates the correctness of our decision to model the new metro on the service-proven first generation of C trains. We hope that our customers will rate the C2 just as highly as soon as it enters service in Munich."

"With the Red Dot Award it's now official: our trains not only conform to the highest technical standards, they also have a good-looking design", enthused Sandra Gott-Karlbauer, CEO of the Siemens Urban Transport Business Unit.

The design is the work of internationally renowned Munich vehicle designer Alexander Neumeister, the founder of N+P Industrial Design. As was the case with its predecessor, the C2 design was developed in close collaboration with SWM/MVG. A further development of the tried and tested C1 vehicle concept, the C2 is even more customer-friendly, economical and eco-friendly than the first model. New features include, for example, an increased passenger capacity and an innovative lighting concept using LED technology. A great deal has been adopted from the latest development in metro vehicles, which is marketed by Siemens under the name Inspiro.

The Red Dot Award has been presented as an internationally recognized prize by the North-Rhine Westphalia Design Center every year since 1955. The award is also recognized globally as a seal of quality. This year the jury of the Red Dot Award for product design included 37 internationally renowned experts, who had the task of sifting through 4,662 submissions in 19 different categories. <<

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