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## Regensburg/Danube Valley rail network orders new Mireo trains from Siemens Mobility

- **Siemens Mobility to build 23 4-car Mireo trains for the Regensburg/Danube Valley rail network**
- **The Mireo trains will be delivered to operator agilis in 2024**
- **Commissioning by December 2024**

Siemens Mobility has received an order to build 23 4-car Mireo trainsets for rail operator agilis Eisenbahngesellschaft mbH & Co. KG, a subsidiary of BeNEX GmbH. The trainsets will be delivered for the Regensburg/Danube Valley rail network in 2024 and are scheduled to enter passenger service in December that year. The Bavarian Railways Company (Bayerische Eisenbahngesellschaft or BEG), which plans, finances and controls regional and commuter rail operations on behalf of the state of Bavaria, had called for bids for new trains for parts of its network. The Mireo trains will serve on the new RE Line 50 (Nuremberg – Regensburg – Plattling) and the RB Line 51 (Neumarkt – Regensburg – Plattling).

“By choosing the Mireo trains from Siemens, agilis clearly led the competition in the quality evaluation of bids submitted for the Regensburg/Danube Valley network tender. It really isn’t possible to focus more specifically on meeting regional mobility requirements. A fantastic success story that will ensure a great future for agilis, the quality leader in Bavaria,” said Dr. Michael Vulpius, CEO of parent company BeNEX.

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“When we ordered the new trains, our focus was on ensuring a high level of passenger comfort provided by generously designed interiors. At agilis, we feel it’s especially important to make sure our passengers are thoroughly comfortable,” said Dr. Axel Hennighausen, CEO of agilis.

“The commissioning of the new trainsets for the Regensburg/Danube Valley network, with its service to Nuremberg and the mainline connections there, will offer significant added value for our passengers – a milestone in the history of agilis,” added Gerhard Knöbel, Commercial and Mobilization Project Director.

Albrecht Neumann, CEO Rolling Stock, Siemens Mobility: “We at Siemens Mobility are delighted that we’ve been commissioned to deliver the new trainsets for the Regensburg/Danube Valley network. We’ve already sold over 240 trainsets from our successful Mireo series. The train impresses operators and passengers alike with their improved passenger comfort, reliability, and energy efficiency. We have developed a new, particularly powerful variant of the Mireo especially for the Regensburg/Danube Valley network. The train is equipped with two additional drive axles that enables faster acceleration.”

The new Mireo trainsets have 216 seats and provide improved passenger comfort thanks to their spacious design. Each entrance has a multipurpose area that is not restricted by folding seats, which increases passenger convenience. All trains are barrier-free for passengers with limited mobility. In addition, a lift is available for wheelchair users to ease entries and exits at stations with lower platforms. A large number of luggage racks makes it easier for passengers to stow their luggage.

A real-time passenger information system displays updated arrival and departure times as well as connection options for the respective stations. The trains will also have special high-frequency window panes developed by Siemens Mobility that

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significantly improve cellphone reception on board. Free WLAN service will also be available throughout the train.

The Mireo from Siemens Mobility is a scalable articulated trainset whose weight has been substantially reduced by various design measures, such as bogies with inside bearings. Significantly improved aerodynamics compared to previous models considerably reduce the train's energy consumption. The new Mireo variant is particularly powerful, enabling it to accelerate faster. The train has a top speed of 160 km/h.

The Mireo trainsets will be built at the Siemens Mobility plant in Krefeld.

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A **press photo** is available at <https://sie.ag/3CMvPDc>

Further information about the Mireo can be found at

<https://press.siemens.com/global/de/feature/der-neue-mireo-intelligenz-auf-schiene>

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**agilis** is a railway company based in Regensburg. On behalf of the state of Bavaria, it operates around ten percent of the state's regional and commuter passenger service on the central (Regensburg Stern and Danube Valley) and north (Upper Franconia and parts of Upper Palatinate and Lower Franconia) networks. Agilis employs around 400 people. For years, the two subsidiaries of BeNEX GmbH have received top ratings in the quality ranking of the Bavarian Railways Company. In 2018, agilis was awarded the Bavarian Railway Prize by the Bavarian State Ministry for Housing, Construction and Transport.

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