

# Introduction to Bus Electro-Mobility Development in Germany

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- In 1971, professors and students founded the AGU: Working Group on Environmental Protection at the University of Heidelberg
- The need for independent environmental research led to the foundation of ifeu as a non-profit organisation in 1978.
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• Financing solely through project-related funds

to allow a politically and economically independent ecological research.

- Approximately two-third of the research projects and assessments are commissioned by federal and state ministries, local authorities, the Environmental Protection Agency and other public bodies.
- A third of the orders come from the private sector.

# **Clients** (selection)





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#### Departments



#### Department

#### **Head of Department**



Guido Reinhardt, PhD, biologist, chemist, mathematician

**Industry and Products** 

**Nutrition and Biomass** 



Jürgen Giegrich MSc, physicist



Bernd Franke MSc, biologist

Transport



Udo Lambrecht MSc, physicist

Energy



Lothar Eisenmann MSc, physicist



Martin Pehnt Dr. Ing. PhD, physicist

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#### Areas of Work

- Waste Management and Resource Conservation
- **Environmental Education**
- Energy (and Renewable Energies)
- Industry and Products
- Nutrition and Biomass
- Sustainability
- Life Cycle Assessment (LCA)
- **Risk Assessment**
- Environmental Impact Analysis (EIA)
- Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)
- Traffic and Transport
- .... and many others



















### Agenda.



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# **Timeline of Electric Mobility Policy in Germany**



- National Strategy Conference Electric Mobility (2008)
- Economic Stimulus Package II (2009)
- National Electromobility Development Plan (2009)
- Joint Agency for Electric Mobility GGEMO (2010)
- National Electric Mobility Platform (2010)
- Government Program Electromobility (2011)
- Electric Mobility Act (2014)



- Part of the Economic Stimulus Package II
- Funding of electric mobility projects in 8 regions by the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure (BMVI)
- Coordination and management by NOW GmbH (National Organisation Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Technology)





- Electromobility as part of a national strategy to become ...
  - a lead market for electromobility
  - a leading supplier of electromobility
- National Development Plan Electromobility (2009)
  - Goal of 1 Million vehicles until 2020
  - Goal of 6 Million vehicles until 2030

(For comparison: Currently 44 Million passenger cars registered in Germany)

6	Die Bundesregierung	
	Nationaler Entwicklungsplan Elektromobilität der Bundesregierung	



- Founded May 2010 and reports to the Federal Government
- Brings together stakeholders from industry, science, politics, trade unions and associations for a strategic dialogue
- Observes and analyses the development in the field of electro mobility
- Seven Working Groups with about 20 representatives develop measures and recommendations for electro mobility:
  - Drive train technology
  - Battery technology
  - Charging infrastructure and grid integration
  - Standardisation and certification
  - Materials and recycling
  - Education and training
  - Framework conditions





- Supported by the Joint Agency for Electric Mobility (Gemeinsamen Geschäftsstelle Elektromobilität (GGEMO))
- Collaboration of four ministries:



- Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy
- Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure
- Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature
   Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety
- Federal Ministry of Education and Research

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- Systemic from the users' point of view
- Open technology, covering battery electric vehicles (BEV) but also plug-in hybrids (PHEV) and range extenders (REEV)

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Market oriented

			1 million vehicles
Pre-market phase	$\geq$	Market ramp-up phase	Mass-market phase
Focus on:	2014	Focus on: 2017	Focus on: 2020
<ul> <li>R&amp;D (industry to invest up to 17 billion euros)</li> <li>Training &amp; qualification</li> <li>Regulation &amp; standardisation</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Building market for electric vehicles</li> <li>Creating the right market incentives</li> <li>Charging infrastructure that meets users' needs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sustainable business models</li> <li>Integration of renewable energy</li> </ul>
Sh	owcas	e projects	Self-sustaining market



- Introducing a special depreciation of 50% in the first year for commercial users because fleets and company cars are seen as a gateway to electric mobility
- Strengthening investment partnerships between the public and private sectors to develop publicly accessible charging infrastructure
- Implementing the EU directive on alternative fuels including the expansion of the charging infrastructure
- Implementing public and private initiatives to integrate electric vehicles in fleets
- Continuing research and development with Federal Government support
- Promoting the establishment of a long-term cell manufacturing facility in Germany

#### Showcase Program 2012-2015



- Living Lab BW E-Mobil (Baden-Württemberg)
- International Showcase of Electromobility (Berlin / Brandenburg)
- Our horse powers becomes electric (Lower Saxony)
- Electromobility connects (Bavaria / Saxony)



# Effective from June 2015

Enables municipality for privilege electric vehicles

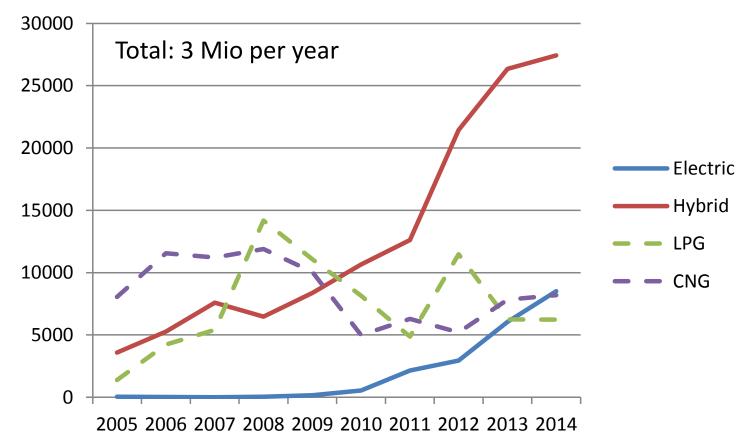
- Definition of privileged vehicles
- Implements Labelling on licence plate
- Enables privileges for parking
- Enables use of bus lanes
- Enables access to restricted areas







#### New registrations rising, but still limited



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# **Drivers for Electrification of Buses**



- Reduction of (fossil) energy consumption
- Reduction of GHG-Emissions
- Integration of renewable energy
- Integration of new technologies (Batteries, Ultra-Caps, Fast-Chargers)
- Rising oil prices
- Emissions of air pollutants
- Noise



- Funding by
  - Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy
  - Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure
  - Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety
- Subsidies for market penetration of hybrid (diesel-electric) buses
- Pilot projects for electric buses



- Since 2012 as part of the National Climate Protection Initative (NKI) of the Ministry for the Environment (BMUB)
- 60 Hybrid buses funded in 6 transport companies over the last two years
- Extended until 2017
  - Up 35% of additional costs for Plug-In Hybrids
  - For conventional hybrid limited for vehicle costs at 100.000 €
     for solo and 200.000 € for articulated buses

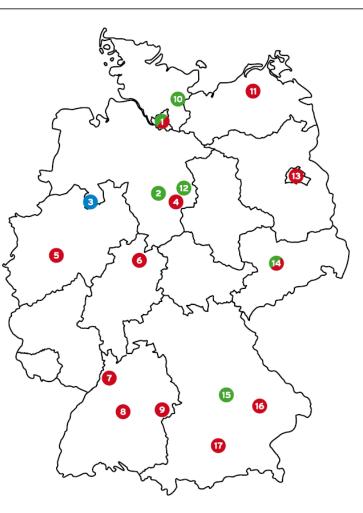


### Pilot projects with alternative buses in Germany

29	projects
34	companies
171	diesel hybrid buses
86	solo buses
85	articulated buses
25	electric buses
12	Fuel cell buses

#### Supporting ministries:



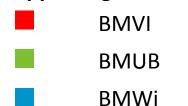


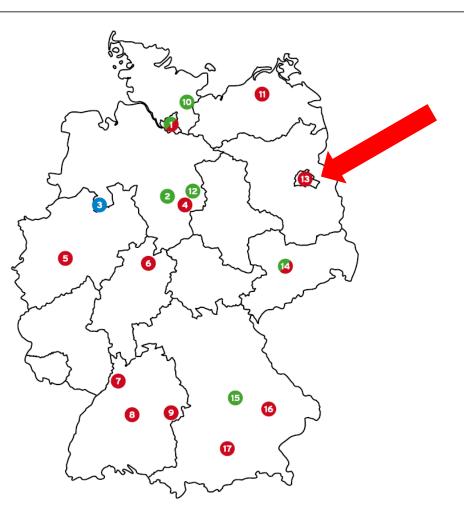


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#### **Berlin: E-Bus Berlin**

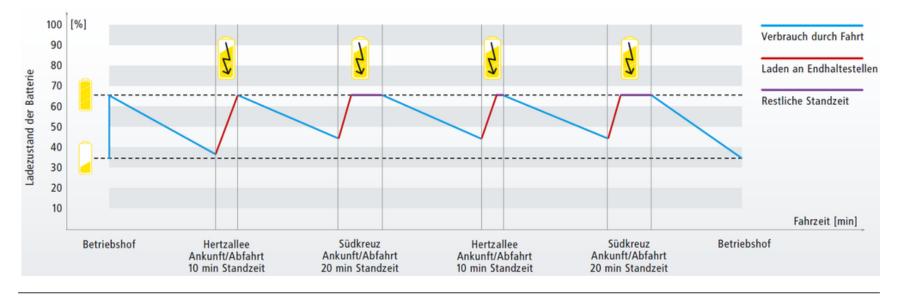


- Four vehicles on Line 204
- Urbino 12 Electric from Solaris
  - 90 kWh Li-Ion-Battery
  - Battery weight 1,1 Tonne
  - 70 passenger capacity
  - 160 kW electric engine





- Inductive fast charging with 200 kW (4-7 Minutes)
- Charging system Primove of Bombardier
- Concept opportunity charging at terminal stops



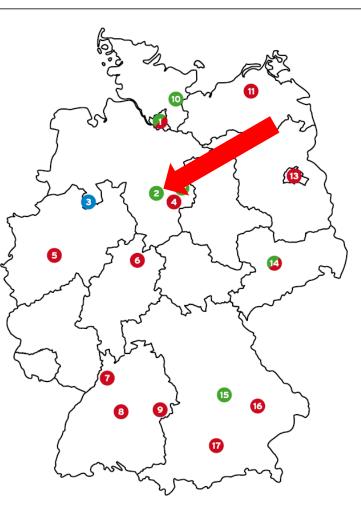


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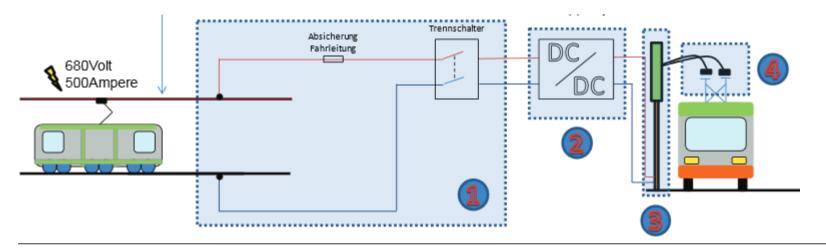
#### **Supporting ministries:**







- Test of 3 Electric buses (Solo)
- 140-160 kWh Battery pack
- Circular Line 100/200 (only 1 terminal stop)
- 16 km total length, 10 Minute daytime frequency
- Recharging from tram catenary lines (6 Min. for 25 kWh)

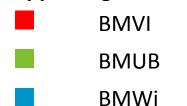


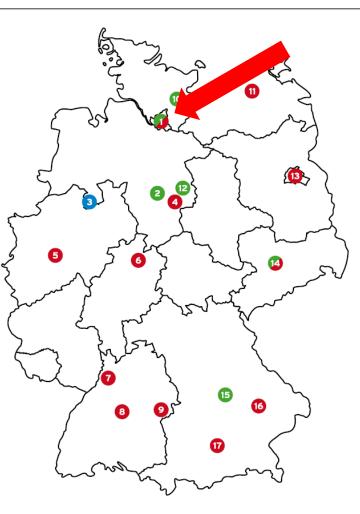


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#### **HELD: Hamburg Electric Bus Demonstration**

- 3 PlugIn Hybrids and 3 Electric Buses until 2017
- Line 109 over 10 km in inner city
- **Opportunity charging at terminal stops**
- Fast charging with up 300 kW
- Pantograph connection



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- Rampini Solo-Bus with Siemens Engine (12 m)
- 180 kWh LFP-Battery (100 km Range)
- 5,2 km route on Line 48 in HH-Blankenese (18 Minutes = as for Diesel)
- Steep road up to 16% grad
- Conductive nighttime charging depot and short recharging periods at terminal stop (20 Minutes)



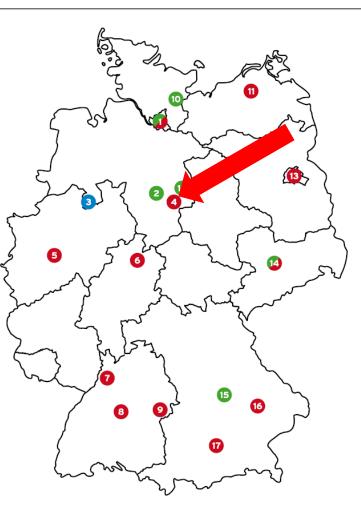


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#### **Supporting ministries:**







- Test of 4 Solaris Electric Buses since 2014 on Line M19
  - 1 x 12 m Solo Bus (60 kWh Primove Battery)
  - 4 x 18 m Articulated Bus (90 kWh Primove Battery)
- Primove Inductive Charging System (> 90 % Efficiency)
- Fast charging with 200 kW



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**Composition of the Working Group:** 

- 25 Transport Companies
- Industry representatives (10 manufacturer and supplier of innovative city buses)
- Association of German Transport Companies (VDV)
- Representatives of Transport Associations
- 8 Organisations from science and consulting

## a. Continous web based data collection

**Evaluation data and categories** 

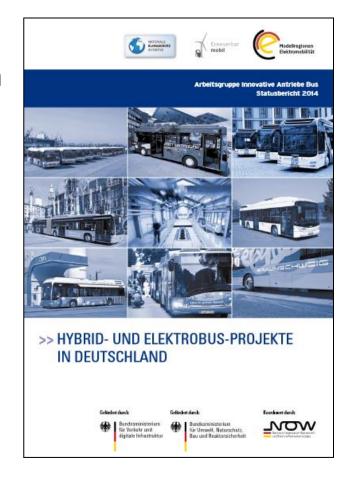
b. Single emission measurements

## **Evaluation categories**

**Evaluation based on** 

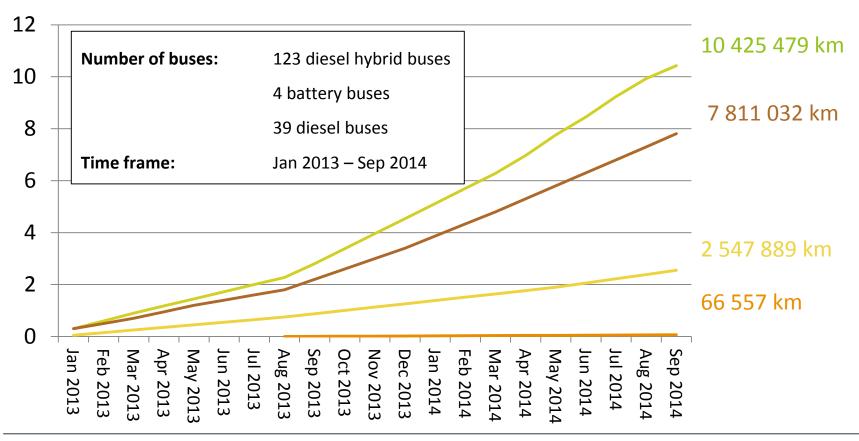
- Road capability
- Energy efficiency
- Emission/GHG Reduction
- Cost effectiveness
- Acceptance







—AG Bus total —Hybrid bus —Diesel bus —Electric Bus Mio. [km]

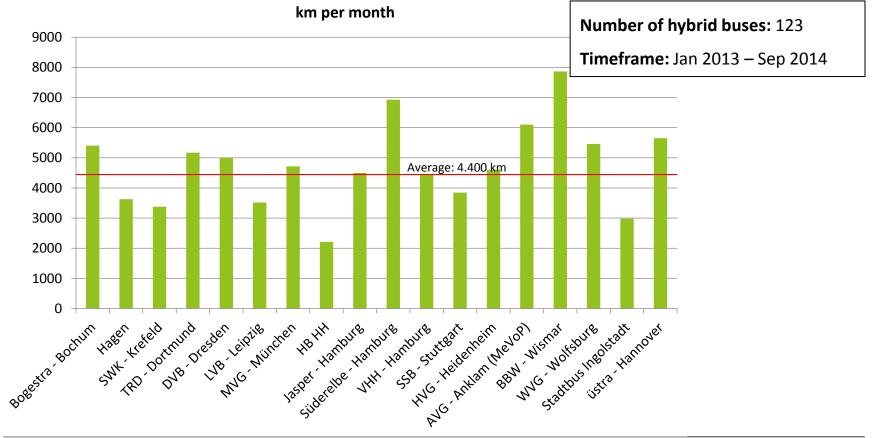




- Daily operation data of more than 10 Million km have been collected since 2013
- Good data base for hybrid and diesel buses
- Fewer data for electric buses included so far, because...
  - ... only 4 electric buses have been evaluated so far
  - ... electric buses have a lower monthly performance (daily range of electric buses limits the monthly mileage)
- But more electric buses are currently being operated ... ... more data to be expected

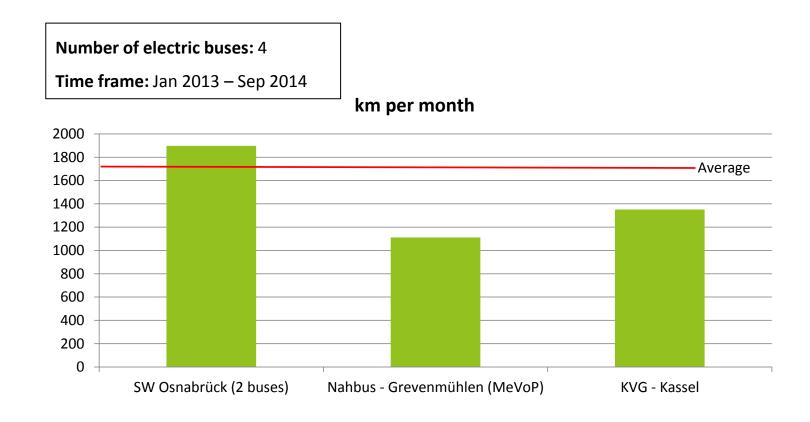


# Monthly performance of hybrid buses ranges from 2200 km to 7900 km depending on the company



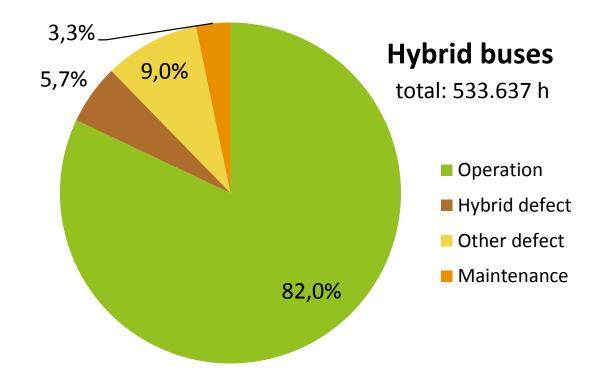


## ... and monthly performance of battery buses



### Hybrid buses: availability and defects



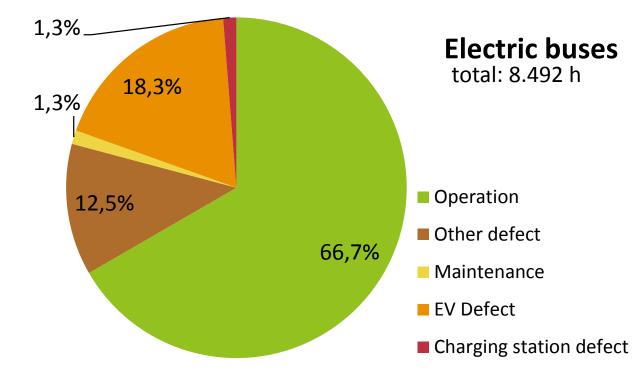


Number of hybrid buses: 111

Space of time: Jan 2013 – Sep 2014

#### **Electric buses: availability and defects**





Number of electric buses: 4

Space of time: Jan 2013 – Sep 2014

#### **Availability Overview**



Hybrid buses:

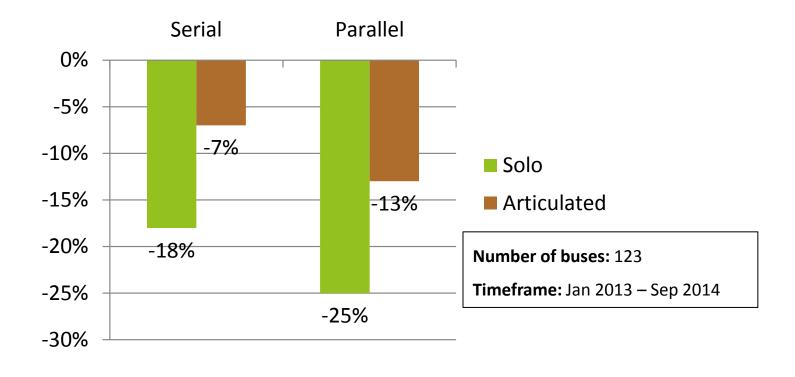
- Availability of 82 %
- Hybrid specific defects caused failures of 6 % of operating hours (other defects 9 %)
- The percentage of maintenance is comparable to conventional buses

**Electric buses:** 

- Availability of 67 %
- The small quantity (only 4 buses) stresses one-time incidents
- Two of the four buses have an availability of about 80 %
- Development of availability shows an increasing learning curve during the survey

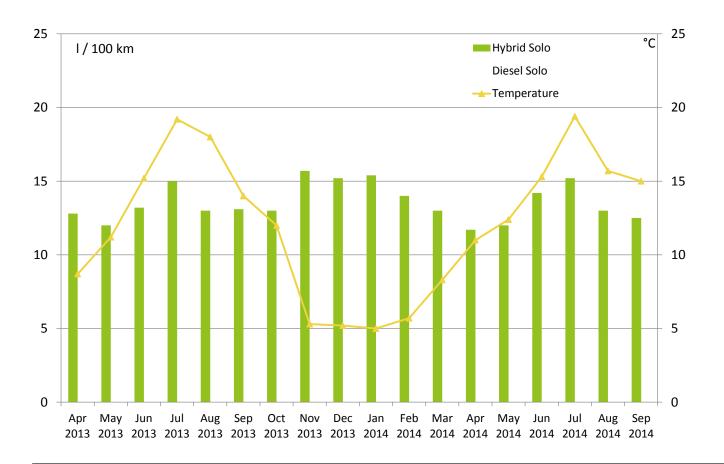


#### Parallel buses have higher savings compared to serial buses



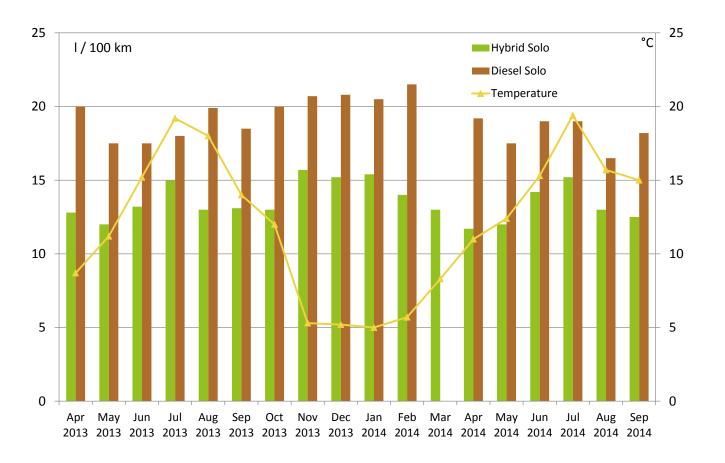


#### Hybrid buses has heating and cooling!



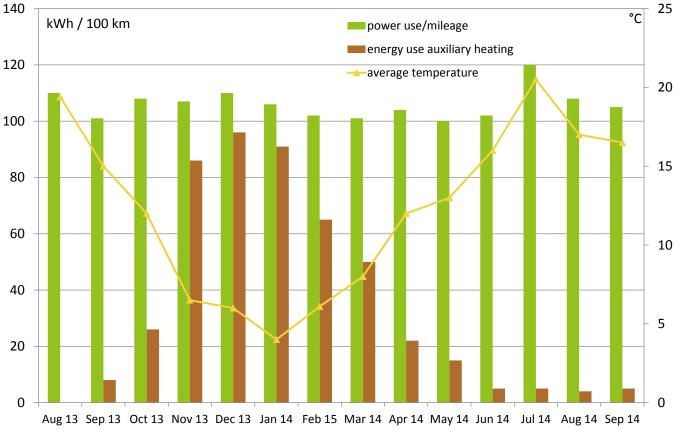


#### Diesel bus only with heating, but no air conditioning!



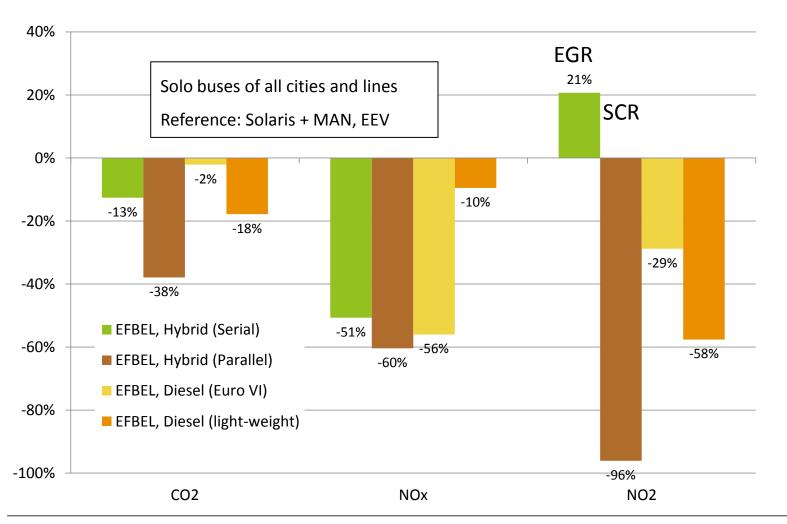


#### Heating consumption can be as propulsion consumption

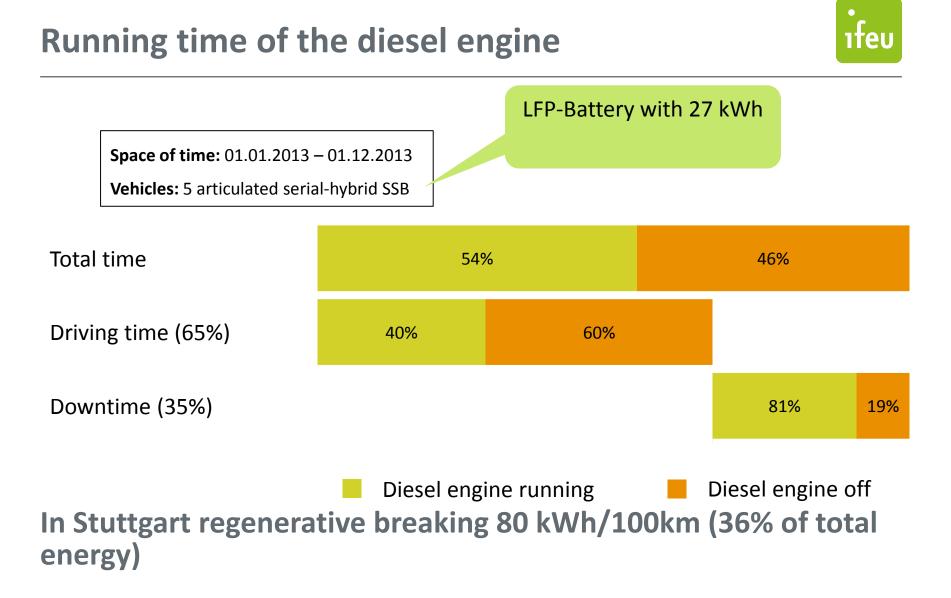


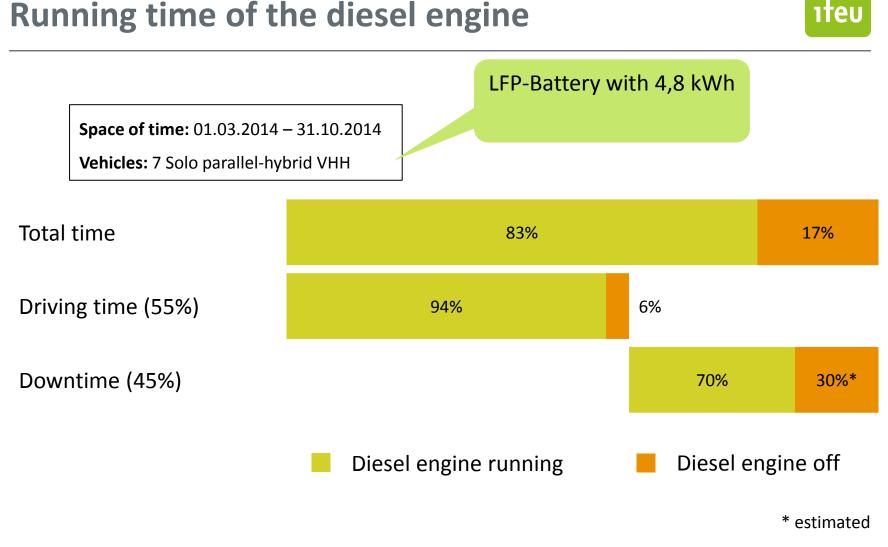
## **Emission behaviour of hybrid solo buses**

#### compared to conventional diesel bus – Euro V EEV



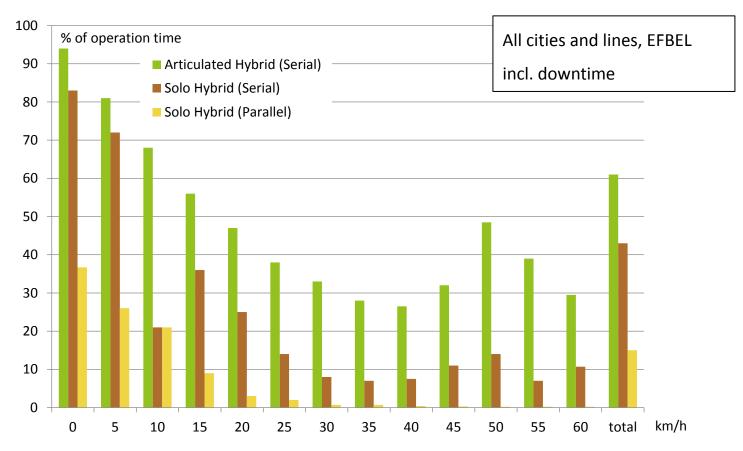






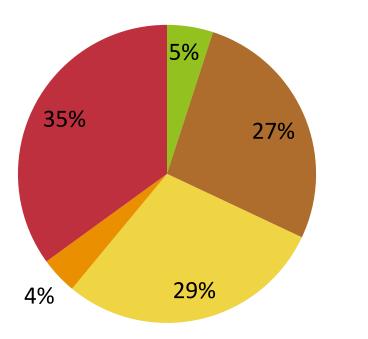


#### **Decrease with speed**





# Total costs today dominated by fuel consumption, invest and maintenance

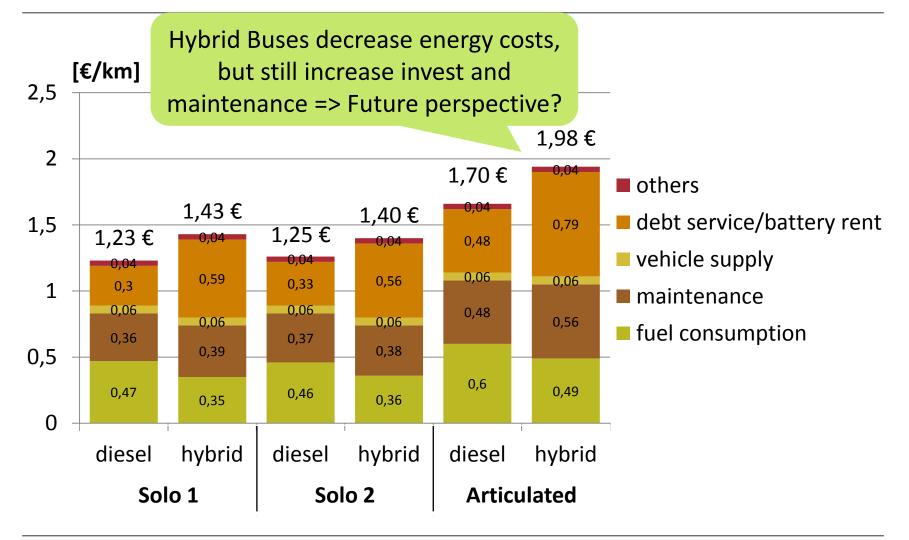


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- maintenance
- debt service
- others
- fuel consuption

## **Total costs of hybrid and reference bus**





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## **Mobility and Fuels Strategy (MFS)**

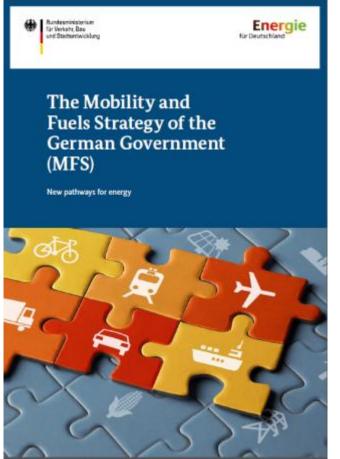


#### What is the MFS?

- Initiated by the German Ministry of Transport (BMVI) in 2011
- Development of a "learning strategy" including all modes
- Technology-open
- Focusing on mid and long-term solutions
- Participation of stakeholders from politics, economy, science
- Publication of scientific studies on different topics

#### Goals:

- Reduction of (fossil) energy consumption
- Reduction of GHG-Emissions
- Integration of renewable energy
- Integration of new technologies and mobility concepts





- Bus power trains in public transport compared
  - Overview on use worldwide and in Germany
  - Energy and environmental assessment compared to diesel
  - Cost situation in Germany compared to diesel
- Comparison of the situation today and the future perspective



## **Comparison of different fuel concepts**



#### Object of comparison

- Articulated Buses
- Concepts:
  - Diesel-Euro VI (Hybrid assumed from 2020)
  - Overnight-Charger
  - Opportunity-Charger
  - Trolley-Hybrid
  - Fuel-Cell-Hybrid

Criteria:

- Emissions (GHG, criteria)
- Costs
  - Vehicles
  - Operation (Energy)
  - Infrastructure
- Operational Requirements (minimal constraints for the schedule, flexibility)

#### **Comparison of different fuel concepts – technical specifications**



Variante	Infrastructure	Vehicle		
	Energy supply	Energy storage	Energy converter	Power train
Dieselbus EURO VI (Hybrid assumed from 2020)	Gas station	Tank	ICE	Automatic transmission + Drive axle
Trolley-Hybrid	Catenary	Battery (70 kWh)	Electric engine + power electronics	Drive axle
Overnight eBus	Conventional charging (conductive)	Battery (400 kWh)	Electric engine + power electronics	Drive axle
Opportunity eBus	Fast charging (conductive, inductive)	Battery (180 kWh)	Electric engine + power electronics	Drive axle
Brennstoffzellen- Hybrid	Compressed hydrogen station	Compressed hydrogen tank + Battery (30 kWh)	Fuel cell stack + Electric engine + power electronics	Drive axle

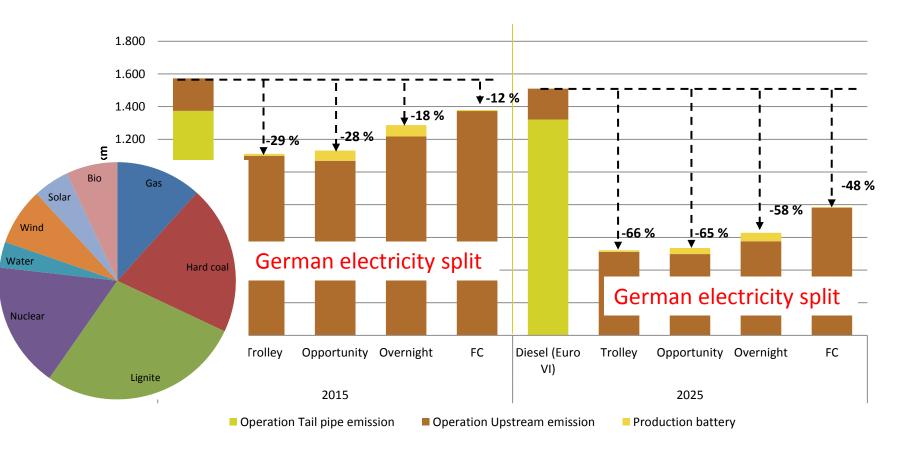
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#### **Comparison of different fuel concepts – GHG-Emissions (well-to-wheel + battery)**



#### New buses in 2015/2025 [g CO<sub>2eq</sub>/bus-km]



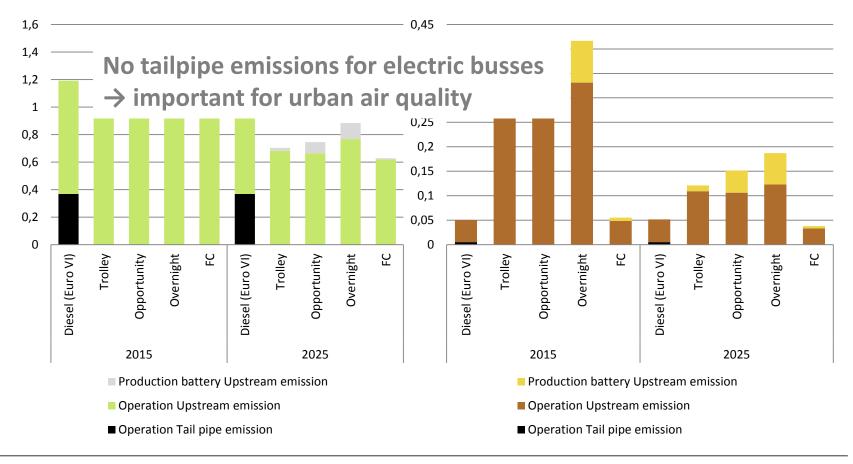
60 Source: Prof. Pütz (energy consumption), TREMOD/ Leitstudie 2011 (emissions operation), elCar (upstream emissions battery)

#### **Comparison of different fuel concepts – air pollutants**



NO<sub>x</sub>-Emissions [g/Bus-km]

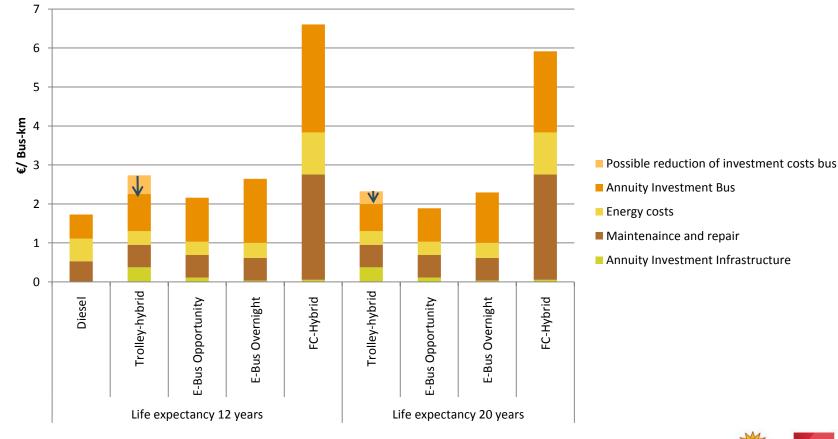
PM-Emissions [g/Bus-km]



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# Total Costs of ownership per articulated bus (2015) – *preliminary results!*

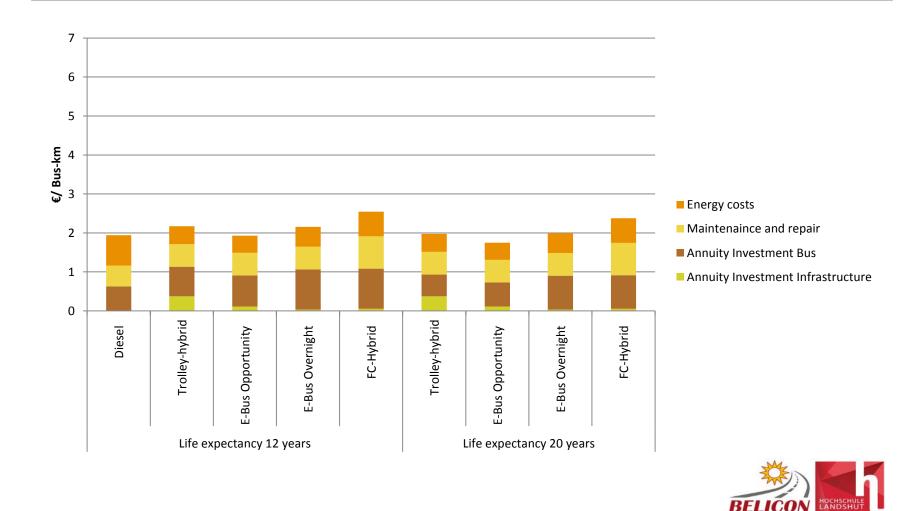






# Total Costs of ownership per articulated bus (outlook 2025) – *preliminary results!*





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- Electric buses can reduce GHG-emissions through increased efficiency and the use of renewable energy
- All electric bus systems are subject to cost reductions in the next years.... the economic gap between conventional buses will significantly narrow in the next decade
- All electric bus technologies have specific opportunities and risks, depending on individual conditions (acceptance, operating strategy, etc.)...

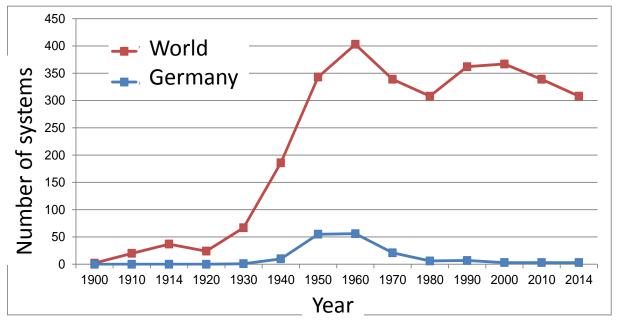
... therefore it is necessary to evaluate all alternative technologies regarding the implementation to specific cases (line/ net)



- The Hybrid-Trolleybus is one feasible technology of electric buses
- The economical differences between the electric bus technologies depend
  - on the cost development and life expectancy of batteries and fuel cell stacks
  - the costs and utilisation of charging infrastructure



• The Hybrid-Trolleybus is one feasible technology of electric buses ...



... and maybe the Trolley bus has a comeback in Germany!

 66 Source: based on [Spousta et al., 2013], [Müller, 1995], http://www.trolleymotion.eu/ (accessed 13.10.15)



## Thank you for your attention!

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