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Project notes

VDV memorandum on “Basic, advanced and specialist training of urban public transport employees in security issues”

As we already reported, HC, in conjunction with the VDV security working group, have collated, analysed and elaborated material on the issue of education and specialist training in security issues based on the relevant findings and needs of numerous transport companies.

The results of this work will be published in the coming months in the form of a memorandum issued by the VDV security working group, devoted to the subject of “Basic, advanced and specialist training of urban public transport employees in security issues”.

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Renewable energy in urban public transport

Together with the Öko-Institut e.V.(Ecological Institute) and the Rail Vehicle Department of TU Berlin (Berlin Polytechnic) , HC has been commissioned by BMVBS to conduct a research project entitled “Increasing the Proportion of Renewable Energy and Raising Energy Efficiency in Urban Public Transport”. The project is designed to supply findings regarding the potential reductions which can be achieved in greenhouse gas emissions in urban public transport in the medium and long term.

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Metro Mexico City: more factory acceptance tests

As we reported in the last edition of News from HC, HC has been supervising the material manufacture in Europe for the Mexico City Metro and has been providing consultancy services in the field of operations and track construction, among other things. Apart from the originally planned 74 factory acceptance tests, a further 63 tests are now to be conducted by HC experts. HC's joint partners in the Mexico City project are DB International, ILF (Austria) and TÜV-Sued Rail.

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Lively response to planfahrt customer survey

In October 2010, HC conducted an online survey among users of planfahrt 3.0. The users were asked among other things questions as to their satisfaction with the software and the individual modules, improvement potential and their experience with customer support. Around half of the customers mailed took part. Thank you!

The replies are currently being evaluated. This will be followed up with a discussion of the results with all the HC colleagues involved. The results and the conclusions gained from them will naturally be presented to planfahrt customers as well.

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Ministry of Transport in Indonesia awards contract for “Consultancy services for improving maintenance conditions and training depot staff”

The KfW Banking Group is financing the manufacture and maintenance of ten modern urban transport trains for the Jabotabek rapid transport system in Jakarta.

HC have now been commissioned initially to prepare an analysis of training requirements for staff at the Depok depot. HC experts will subsequently draw up a training programme and implement this on site.

The object of HC’s activities is to assure operational availability of the trains by means of improved maintenance work procedures.

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Milestone in Hamburg City tram project

The planning approval documents for the new Hamburg tramway were made available to the public as from November 1st. The documents contain all the material relevant to the construction of the tramway, including the plans for the depot, which HC is involved in. The HOCHBAHN will be present at the extensive hearing venues to answer questions raised by the public and all concerned.

If things go according to plan, HOCHBAHN reckons on concluding the planning approval procedure towards the end of 2011.

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