



Direbus Joins the Partnership Driven by Cepsa and Begas to Decarbonize Urban Heavy Transportation

- **The association, which comprises more than 700 coach companies nationwide, has joined this initiative to accelerate the decarbonization of its operations by using renewable autogas and other renewably-sourced fuels**
- **The partnership between Cepsa and BeGas is an agreement covering the entire value chain of professional urban transport, which now includes the participation of ten companies and organizations in the sector**
- **Bioautogas can reduce CO₂ emissions and levels of suspended particulate matter and NO_x by up to 90% compared to traditional fossil fuels, as well as reducing noise pollution.**

Direbus, the association of coach companies, has joined the partnership to decarbonize heavy urban transport with renewable autogas driven by Cepsa and BeGas. The agreement, signed during the Third National Congress on Transportation and Road Passenger Mobility SMEs—held this week in Irún, Guipúzcoa—seeks to continue accelerating the decarbonization of urban transport by leveraging renewable autogas and other renewably-sourced fuels in this case in vehicles for passenger transport, such as buses and coaches.

The incorporation of Direbus, which brings together more than 700 companies in the road transport sector of discretionary and regular public passenger services, reflects this sector's commitment to advancing in the decarbonization of its operations and searching for sustainable mobility solutions.

With this new member, the comprehensive partnership led by Cepsa and BeGas now has 10 partners from the public and private sectors: the vehicle and machinery manufacturers Mobility Bus, Herko, Buxo Trucks, Socage, Aebi Schmidt Ibérica and Revenant, the companies Urbaser and Sulo, which have vehicles of this type in their fleets, ANEPMA (National Association of Public Environmental Companies) and Direbus.

This partnership brings together the entire value chain of this sector (engine manufacturers, vehicle manufacturers, energy producers and consumers) with a common goal: fighting climate change by reducing the sector's carbon footprint and reducing pollution in cities. Consequently, the members of this partnership support the production and use of renewable autogas and renewable propane, in addition to other renewably-sourced products, in professional urban transport, such as buses, delivery vehicles, waste collection trucks, and other municipal services.



After officially becoming a member, the president of Direbus, Alfonso Taborda, stated: "The major cities in our country have gotten serious about limiting entrance to their low emission zones, regardless of the type of vehicle and service for economic activities. One of the services provided by tourist charter transportation is the transfer from ports, airports, and train and bus stations to hotel complexes in historic city centers, as well as the various outings that depart from them. DIREBUS has to make decisions, and joining this partnership is important for all SMEs that make up the transport and mobility sector."

Moreover, Marcos Pallás, head of marketing of Cepsa's LPG business, emphasized: "It is a source of pride for us to continue expanding this cross-cutting partnership because it means that our vocation to help our customers and the entire transport sector to decarbonize its operations continues to grow. Our strategy has a clear goal: facilitating the sustainability of transport. To achieve this we need to continue adding partners to our collaborative ecosystem."

For his part, Pedro Silva, CEO of BeGas has indicated that "this new member is another sign that internal combustion engines powered by BioAutogas are the strategic solution to achieve the 2050 objectives."

Renewable autogas is a gas of renewable origin that reduces CO₂ emissions by up to 90% and reduces the emission of suspended particles and NO_x, which cause urban pollution, by more than 90% compared to traditional fossil fuels, as well as reducing noise pollution. This CO₂ reduction enables vehicles to meet the requirements of the 2050 agenda today.

Cepsa and BeGas: a commitment to decarbonizing transportation

The commitment to creating and promoting the partnership to decarbonize heavy urban transport with renewable autogas confirms the commitment by its founding companies to reducing emissions from heavy urban vehicles. Cepsa currently has an annual production capacity of 7,000 tons of biopropane at its energy parks and, as part of its *Positive Motion* strategy, the company expects to produce more than 100,000 tons of this sustainable gas annually by 2030.

For its part, BeGas Motor is a European leader in manufacturing and developing engines powered by alternative energies, such as autogas or renewable autogas, and is the only manufacturer of 100% gas engines—without the need to use a hybrid engine with diesel or gasoline—for trucks and urban buses, which has Euro VI Step E approval.

Cepsa is a leading international company committed to sustainable mobility and energy with a solid technical experience after more than 90 years of activity. The company also has a world-leading chemicals business with increasingly sustainable operations.

Under its Positive Motion strategic plan for 2030, Cepsa aims to be a leader in sustainable mobility, biofuels, and green hydrogen in Spain and Portugal, and to become a benchmark in the energy transition. The company places customers at the heart of its business and will work with them to help them achieve their decarbonization objectives.

ESG criteria inspire everything Cepsa does as it advances toward its net positive objective. Over the course of this decade, it will reduce Scope 1 and 2 CO₂ emissions by 55% and the carbon intensity index of energy products sold by 15-20% versus 2019, with the goal of achieving net zero emissions by 2050.



BeGas is a technology-based, research-based company founded in 2015. Since its inception, it has sought to contribute to a sustainable future in transporting people and goods. And this future involves the company, its investors, customers and suppliers, and, of course, its employees. It therefore produces 100% renewable Autogas or liquid-injected liquefied Autogas Euro VI-E engines. BeGas continues to position itself as one of the main options for the decarbonization of heavy urban vehicles.

Direbús España is a national business organization representing the SMEs of the Public Discretionary and Regular Road Passenger Transport Services Sector, currently represented in every Autonomous Community with more than 700 affiliated companies providing road transport services throughout Spain. This accredits us according to the recognition of the Ministry of Transport, Mobility, and Urban Agenda as a full member association of the National Committee of Road Transport to promote agreements with other associations and federations, make proposals before the Public Institutions, have sufficient legitimacy to participate in the negotiating committees of the industry collective agreements, and actively participate in the decision making carried out by them to benefit the rights and interests of our sector.

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