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Nobina in new major pilot project with autonomous vehicles in Greater Copenhagen

For three years, Nobina will be responsible for, and operate, a pilot project with autonomous buses in Greater Copenhagen. The pilot, which is the largest of its kind in Denmark, is being undertaken in a unique collaboration between the municipalities of LOOP City, Albertslund and Gladsaxe, Nobina, together with IBM, Roskilde University (RUC) and the Technical University of Denmark (DTU).

The four autonomous buses will initially be tested in two selected areas, with the DTU campus in Lyngby as first in line and then in Albertslund. The test site is in one of Denmark's largest urban areas, where Nobina, the largest public transport company in the Nordic region, will be responsible for operating the project. The project is supported by the EU's Urban Innovative Actions programme.

“It is very gratifying that we again have been entrusted with running a project with autonomous vehicles, together with our partners in Denmark. At the same time, it is an acknowledgement of the knowledge of both the technology and regulatory framework that we have acquired from various tests and trials with autonomous buses in Sweden,” says Peter Hafmar, CEO of Nobina Technology.

“Developments are progressing at an ever-increasing pace and autonomous buses are no longer a question of technology — but rather a public transport issue. Autonomous buses will become an important complement in providing greater accessibility, for the whole journey, from door to door, while easing pressure on infrastructure and enabling urban planning for the future,” continues Peter Hafmar.

“It is an exciting example and collaboration with our partners in the project, where Nobina’s expertise in public transport and local experience are combined with Nobina Technology’s expertise in autonomous buses and new innovations,” says Niels-Peter Nielsen, CEO of Nobina Denmark

In addition to Nobina, project participants include LOOP CITY, the partner organisation Gate 21, Albertslund municipality, Gladsaxe municipality, IBM, Roskilde



University (RUC) and the Technical University of Denmark (DTU). Tests are scheduled to begin during the second half of 2018.

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