

THE ELECTRIC BUS, A GREAT COMMITMENT BY IRIZAR

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El Grupo Irizar prevé poner en marcha su nueva planta dedicada exclusivamente a la electromovilidad en el inicio de 2017.

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Irizar hopes to have its new plant specialized in assembling electric buses ready by the end of this year, according to general manager José Manuel Orcasitas, when presenting [the results of the group in 2015](#). Thus, it is planned to start the activity of the plant, located in Aduna, Gipuzkoa, on January 2, 2017, to reach an average monthly production of two buses per month. Within five years, however, they plan to build two passenger vehicles and one industrial vehicle per day.

So far, the group has put 20 100% electric buses into circulation in cities such as London, Paris, Marseille, Barcelona and San Sebastián, and Orcasitas foresees that the demand for these vehicles "is going to increase a lot" by the municipalities, as reported by [El País](#), because it is a

"profitable, very reliable, non-polluting, and noiseless" vehicle. Hence the significant investment of 75 million euros in the new 18,000 m² plant, which will be dedicated entirely to electromobility. Irizar hopes to reach a 20-25% market share in five years in a market that it sees as clearly expanding.

With the addition of the new company Irizar e-mobility, the group expects to employ a workforce of between 300 and 500 people within five years, although activity at the new plant will start with 40 people.< /h3>

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