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## NEOPLAN Starliner voted "Bus of the year" fifth time round

- **The readers of trans aktuell, lastauto omnibus and Fernfahrer have decided**
- **Number 1 in the "high-liner bus" category for the third time in a row.**

For the first, second, third.... no, for the fifth time the Starliner has won in the reader's "Best commercial vehicles" poll run by publishers ETM in the high decker category. Having already won in the King's class of buses back in 1998, 1999, 2001 and 2002, the Starliner has now been voted top of the pile for the third time running.

The Starliner was presented at the IAA Commercial Vehicles seven years ago, in 1996, and was immediately received by the market with great enthusiasm. This bus offered more than any bus before. Inimitable design combined with everything that one associates with a coach in the luxury class: Passenger safety and comfort, two overroll bars, seats with a two-point belt system, higher stiffness of the window posts, smooth exterior surfaces, wheel covers on the drive axles and a series blackbox (UDS) are merely several aspects of this extraordinary bus.

At last year's IAA Commercial Vehicles in Hanover, a further member of the Starliner family was introduced, the Starliner N 516/3 SHDHC with the new length of 12.84 m on three axles. This vehicle is celebrating a remarkable market success and continuing the success story of this NEOPLAN model.

Over 10,000 readers participated in the readers' poll organised by Deka and the magazines Fernfahrer, lastauto omnibus and trans aktuell, which are all published by Dekra ETM in Stuttgart. A total of 141 commercial vehicles in nine categories competed in the poll.