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1. Activity of the enterprise

Kenyan company BasiGo starts electric bus assembly operations in Kenya. The company plans to assemble 1,000 electric buses in Kenya over the next three years, creating 300 green jobs.

Basigo has also been expanding in Rwanda since 2023 through a partnership with AC Mobility.

500 orders have been confirmed by bus operators in Nairobi and a further 100 are booked in Kigali (Rwanda).

In October 2024, BasiGo closed a new round of financing of 42 MUSD. Part of this funding will be used to increase the manufacturing capacity of BasiGo's dedicated electric bus assembly line, located at Kenya Vehicle Manufacturers.

2. Product Range

The “E9 Kubwa” electric bus model is designed for Kenya and built in Kenya in Thika. With a recharging time of less than 2 hours, it can travel up to 400 km per day. Seating up to 54 passengers, it introduces a new level of comfort, connectivity and safety for Nairobi's commuters: leather seats, WiFi, USB charging points, CCTV cameras, the highest international safety standards.



In Rwanda, this model is distributed under the name “R10 Rumuri”.



The following video describes the vehicle assembly process at the Thika factory.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=33x_vmvuX9M

3. Sources of information

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