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New fully automated car factory in Sweden - Automotive startup Uniti partners with Siemens to establish world first facility

Electric car startup Uniti Sweden announces its fully automated car production facility to be in Sweden, in a new foundation partnership with Siemens Nordics. The 'industry 4.0' facility will be the first of its kind in the world, focusing on sustainable manufacture of composite materials for the light electric vehicle space, as well as automated vehicle assembly. This approach greatly simplifies the manufacturing process and reduces the carbon footprint exponentially. The facility will be capable of producing up to 50,000 units per year within its first year of production due to a revolutionary method of robotic composite manufacturing and assembly. The electric car start-up moved into a temporary new production facility in Lund, Sweden, for its intensive prototyping phase in the lead up to unveiling the prototype in the fall of 2017, which will occur in the future manufacturing space.

The partnership between Uniti Sweden and Siemens PLM in the Nordics is based on the Siemens' software suite that enables the entire production process to be planned in a virtual setting before implementation in the physical world. "Our PLM portfolio has become so perfected including our recent acquisitions that the first vehicle produced on the physical production line can be sold directly to the customer with no test vehicles needed", explains Mats Friberg, CEO of Siemens PLM Software in the Nordics. "We have also agreed to jointly define how to bring the Siemens Automation Portfolio to the task of connecting the virtual world with the real world", says Ulf Troedsson, CEO of Siemens AB. The fully-automated production line will commence setup within 18 months to deliver the first vehicles by 2019.

"The partnership with Siemens is essential to our long-term plans as we now have the opportunity to not only develop a sustainable car, but also manufacture it in a sustainable way at a large scale, faster and with a significantly lower initial capital demand", explains Lewis Horne, CEO of Uniti Sweden, "Our fully-automated production line can basically have the lights turned off for 22 hours a day."

"Due to our current rate of growth we have had to move locations twice in one year", explains Horne. "The next facility we move into will be our manufacturing space in Malmö or Landskrona, and that will be big enough for us to settle in for the long haul."

Uniti Sweden has experienced massive growth since successfully executing one of the most diverse and successful equity crowdfunding campaigns in Europe, bringing in almost 600

investors from 45 different countries within hours of launching the campaign. The Swedish startup openly shows the entire journey from prototype to mass production in a YouTube series called “Uniti Update” which takes the audience behind-the-scenes of the young automotive company.

Find the latest episode of the YouTube series here: www.youtube.com/teamunitiftw

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About Uniti

Uniti is a light electric vehicle made from sustainable composite materials and boasting unique features such as a fully electronic steering system and a full-screen augmented reality heads up display. The vehicle will be unveiled in the fall of 2017 and first deliveries are scheduled for early 2019.