SCANDINAVIAN SKI RESORTS COUNTING ON SOUTH TYROLEAN EXPERTISE

LEITNER ropeways is expanding its position as market leader in the Nordic countries with four new systems in Norway and Sweden.

More comfort, a greater capacity, but less noise and emissions: The Nordic countries are putting their trust in ropeways from LEITNER ropeways. As many as four new systems will be opened in Norway and Sweden for the 2016/17 winter season, increasing the Scandinavian market leader's presence in the region.

NORWAY: TRAVEL TO THE SUNNY SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN IN COMFORT Trysil, Norway's largest ski resort, is about two and a half hours away from Oslo, offers a diverse range of ski runs, and is particularly family friendly. The new CD6C Skihytta Ekspress from LEITNER ropeways will be replacing two surface lifts in the 2016/17 winter season and therefore significantly upgrading the ski resort. The bubble chairs with heated seats and vibration dampers make for a particularly comfortable journey to the Trysilfjellet mountain. Not only does it offer varied ski runs from the mountain station on the sunny side of the mountain, it also features breathtaking views towards Sweden. Operations Manager Jan Linstad says, "We have always worked very well with LEITNER ropeways. As a result of these good experiences we decided to work with LEITNER again for this project and are very happy with the outcome. The equipment, such as heated seats and weather protection bubbles, are very important on our mountain."

SWEDEN: INCREASED CAPACITY WITH LESS EMISSIONS Three new systems from LEITNER ropeways will begin operation in Sweden this winter: The ski resort of Kungsberget is just a two-hour drive away from Stockholm and is famous, above all, for its 60,000 square meter snow park. The popular holiday destination is adding yet another attraction with the new CD8 Kungsliften. The new ropeway impresses with a higher transport capacity of up to 4,000 people an hour and the environmentally friendly,gearless LEITNER DirectDrive system. Kungsliften replaces three old ski lifts, two of which are being moved by LEITNER ropeways to another site in the ski resort.

The 6-seater Stöten chairlift has opened in the small, family friendly ski resort of Stöten in Sälen, near the Norwegian border. The chairlift brings winter sports enthusiasts to the five newly developed ski runs in just five minutes at a speed of six meters per second. Its sloped length of 1,704 meters makes this ropeway not only the fastest but also the longest in the Dalarna province. The journey is quiet and low in emissions due to its gearless DirectDrive system.

The snow is pretty reliable at the Tänndalen ski resort which is also on the Norwegian border. With numerous blue and red pistes, the winter sports resort is especially suitable for beginners and families. In order to meet increased demand, the ski resort has called on the expertise of LEITNER ropeways. The new CD6C Hamrafjället ropeway is replacing a fixed 4-seater chairlift and has an increased capacity of 2,600 people an hour, which significantly reduces the waiting time for winter sports enthusiasts. LEITNER ropeways is also delivering a new surface lift to Tänndalen with the SL2 Hamrafjället.

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