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**Schmitz Cargobull AG**
**Schmitz Cargobull wins International Trailer Award 2025 in the Body category**

**Schmitz Cargobull’s fully electric S.KOe COOL refrigerated box body semi-trailer comes out on top again**

September 2024 – Schmitz Cargobull has won the International Trailer Award 2025 for the Body category. Rounding off its package of wins, the brand also took home two second-place finishes in the categories of Chassis and Concept plus one third-place finish in the Safety category.

This is the second time that Europe’s leading trailer manufacturer Schmitz Cargobull has won first place in the highly regarded International Trailer Awards, formerly known as the Trailer Innovation Award. The fully electric S.KOe COOL refrigerated box body semi-trailer won over the 14-strong jury of international experts in the Body category. With its new rail-compatible, high-volume S.CS MEGA curtainsider, Schmitz Cargobull managed to claim second place in the Chassis category. It also finished second in the Concept category with its aerodynamic S.CS X-TOUGH curtainsider with EcoFIX body. In the Safety category, the European market leader impressed with its TAPA-standard safety equipment for box body semi-trailers, which won third place.

“Schmitz Cargobull has been investing in the research and development of sustainable, energy-efficient transport solutions for many years. We are therefore delighted that our fully electric S.KOe COOL refrigerated box body semi-trailer has been recognised as a transport solution that can make a significant contribution to reducing the carbon footprint,” says Andreas Schmitz, Chairman of the Board of Schmitz Cargobull AG. “For the S.KOe COOL, we use our module system, which gives us lots of configuration options: It can be equipped with our electric cooling unit, high-voltage battery and electric axle, or “battery only” solution, as well as with the new economically efficient concept of a diesel-powered cooling unit with an auxiliary electric drive for zero-emissions operation. The International Trailer Award 2025 for the S.KOe COOL is validation for the entire team and their commitment to creating

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leading sustainable technology. At the same time, it also motivates us to keep offering our customers practical transport solutions that pay off.”

Schmitz Cargobull developed the type-approved fully electric S.KOe COOL refrigerated box body semi-trailer with an electric cooling unit, integrated power electronics, high-voltage battery system and electric generator axle to series production maturity just last year. Schmitz Cargobull is offering a fully integrated one-stop solution with the S.KOe COOL. This is particularly important to the field of urban logistics as countless cities will be introducing “zero emission zones” in 2025, affecting many routes in urban distribution transport. These trailers are therefore an economical and sustainable solution for emission-free refrigerated transport, without compromising the payload.

The new rail-compatible S.CS MEGA DB curtainsider semi-trailer combines the strengths of a high-volume trailer designed for the road with the benefits of a robust trailer to be used on railways. It is also flexible enough to be used on 6x2 tractor units. Its statutory permitted overall height is ideally utilised thanks to its low neck combined with low cross-section tyres. The S.CS MEGA DB is equipped with a height-adjustable body, giving it the flexibility of various usage options.

The Schmitz Cargobull S.CS X-TOUGH curtainsider semi-trailer with a robust chassis for carrying up to 44 tonnes is now also available with the aerodynamic EcoFIX body. Amid high fuel prices and the need to reduce carbon emissions, transport and logistics companies require sustainable and practical solutions that help them to reduce consumption in their fleets and decrease their environmental footprint. The S.CS X-TOUGH curtainsider semi-trailer blends seamlessly into Schmitz Cargobull’s range of galvanised and bolted chassis.

Schmitz Cargobull’s S.KO COOL refrigerated box body semi-trailers can be equipped with certified safety equipment that meets TAPA TSR1 standards (Transported Asset Protection Association Trucking Security Requirements). This smart, safe and innovative function enables users to automatically control the door locking system, increasing process and transport safety. This is only available in combination with the Schmitz Cargobull networked TrailerConnect® telematics solution.

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Formerly known as the Trailer Innovation Award, the International Trailer Award is awarded by an international jury of specialists, currently made up of 14 journalists from trade publications across Europe, and is presented at the IAA TRANSPORTATION 2025.

**About Schmitz Cargobull**

Schmitz Cargobull is the leading manufacturer of semi-trailers for temperature-controlled freight, general cargo and bulk goods in Europe, and a pioneer in digital solutions for trailer services and improved connectivity. The company also manufactures transport cooling units for refrigerated box body semi-trailers for temperature-controlled freight transport. With a comprehensive range of services from financing, spare parts supply, service contracts and telematics solutions to used vehicle trading, Schmitz Cargobull supports its customers in optimising their total cost of ownership (TCO) and digital transformation.

Schmitz Cargobull was founded in 1892 in Münsterland, Germany. The family-run company produces around 60,000 vehicles per year with over 6,000 employees, and generated a turnover of around €2.6 billion in the 2022/23 financial year. The international production network currently comprises ten plants in Germany, Lithuania, Spain, England, Turkey, Slovakia and Australia.

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