

Vossloh Locomotives

Modular centre-cab locomotives

Vossloh Locomotives with a new modular locomotive family at InnoTrans

At InnoTrans, Vossloh Locomotives is presenting a new family of locomotives distinctive for its common platform with modular architecture and high parts commonality. In future, Vossloh customers will be able to compile their vehicle from a menu of modules, thus determining for themselves power rating, weight, and software plus now as a further menu item, the driveline, diesel-electric or diesel-hydraulic.

With its modular family, Vossloh is generating synergetic effects and increasing customer choice. Parts can now be quickly supplied and maintenance costs are low. On all models, parts are removed and installed according to the same procedures. With the introduction of this new family, Vossloh is emphasizing the importance of job efficiency for the vehicle. It no longer sees itself simply as a supplier of diesel locomotives but is capitalizing on its knowledge and expertise in order to assist customers in putting together their vehicle fleet.

The new locomotives are available not only as diesel-hydraulic but also diesel-electric models. They are therefore receptive to future innovations such as electrical storage systems, hybrid drive, the use of automatic start-stop systems and improved speed control at very low speed ranges.

The first member of the new family was introduced back in 2008, the triple-axle G 6; another four 4-axle models will be added by 2012: the G 12 and the DE 12 with 1,200 kW rating and the G 18 and DE 18 with 1,800 kW. "G" stands for "Gelenkwellenantrieb" (U-joint, diesel-hydraulic driveline), "DE" for the diesel-electric version. The already low basic weight can be varied without having to change structures. Hence, triple- and four-axle locomotives with axle loads from 18 to 22.5 t are now available.

Vossloh is displaying the new family of locomotives—G 6, DE 12 and G 18—on the outdoor display area, F4/13; other Vossloh Group products and services can be seen in hall 26, stand 101, as well as hall 4.2, stand 234.

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About Vossloh Locomotives:

Since 1923, rail vehicles with internal combustion engines have been built at Kiel, Germany. Vossloh Locomotives GmbH, emerging from tradition-rich Krupp-MaK, has achieved through its experience and competence a leading position on the European diesel locomotive market. Vossloh Locomotives provides extensive after-sales services for diesel locomotives in Kiel, at its Moers Service Center as well as field servicing—not only on its own make of locomotives.