Public vehicle tenders in Europe, March 2026: 812 contract awards on TED, 1 naming a Chinese maker

Contract award notices for motor vehicles that public buyers in Europe published in TED from 1 March 2026 to 31 March 2026. All seven vehicle categories; each figure is counted from the notices' own fields.

Award notices	Name a winner	Firm contract value	Name a Chinese maker
812	**713**	**€1,538 m**	**1**
+14 % on the previous month	87.8 % of the awards	529 awards with a firm value	0.1 %

Key points

- 812 contract award notices for motor vehicles in March 2026 (+14 % on the month before, −2 % on the mean of the 2 months before); 713 name a winner.
- Most awards by vehicle category: emergency and police vehicles 209, other and unspecified vehicles 207, municipal vehicles 142; by buyer country: Germany 201, Spain 70, France 58.
- 1 award names a Chinese maker among the winners: Yutong.
- Firm contract value of 529 awards: €1,538 m; the largest, €360 m, went to ΙΜΠΕΞ ΕΜΠΟΡΙΚΗ ΕΙΣΑΓΩΓΙΚΗ ΑΒΕΕΕ.

Award notices per month on TED, all vehicle categories, January 2026 to March 2026: 812 in March 2026

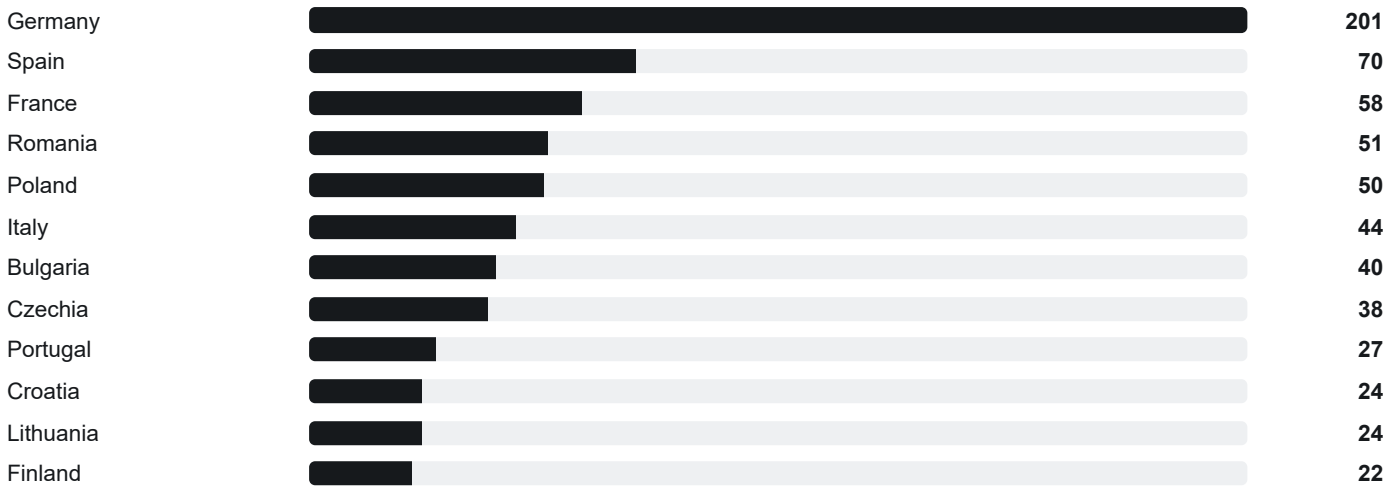


The highlighted bar is this report's month. Award notices that name a Chinese maker are in the tables below.

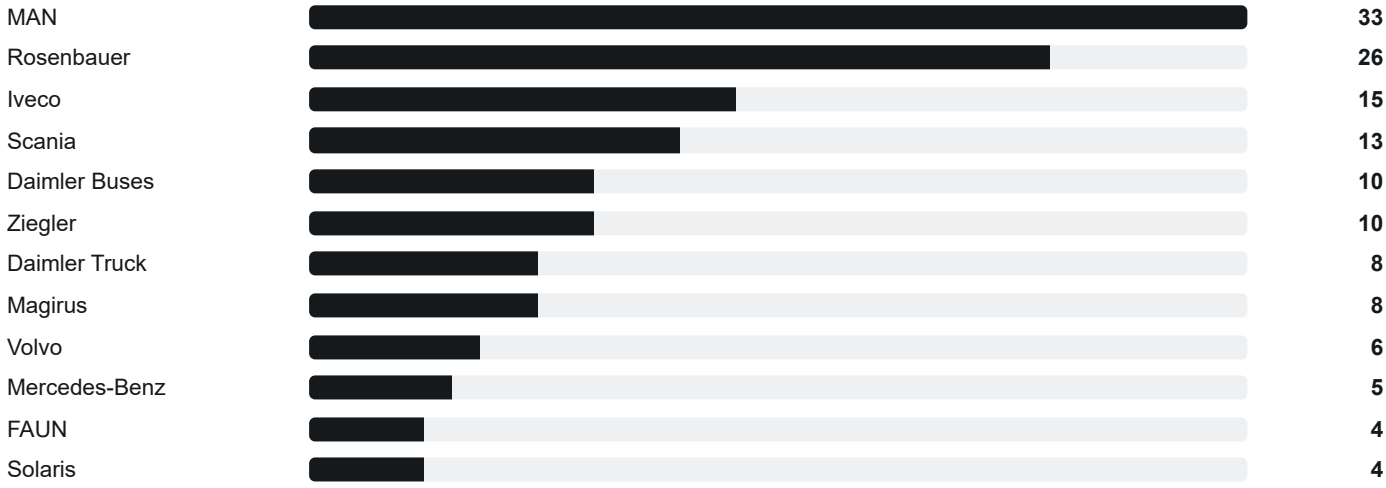
Award notices by vehicle category, March 2026

Category	Awards	Share
Emergency and police vehicles	209	25.7 %
Other and unspecified vehicles	207	25.5 %
Municipal vehicles	142	17.5 %
Buses	92	11.3 %
Medium and heavy trucks	73	9.0 %
Passenger cars	69	8.5 %
Light commercial vehicles	20	2.5 %

Award notices by buyer country, March 2026 (top 12)



Award notices by maker named among the winners, March 2026 (top 12)



146 of the 713 notices that name a winner name a maker on our list; the others went to dealers, body builders or makers not on the list. Chinese makers are marked in colour.

Contract awards naming a Chinese maker, March 2026: 1

Published	Type	Award	Chinese maker	Notice on TED
24/03/2026	Electric buses	Miasto Białystok (Poland) awarded electric buses to Busnex Poland Sp. z o.o. Contract value: €29.2 m (124,950,000 PLN).	**Yutong**	Dostawa 60 autobusów komunikacji miejskiej zasilanych energią elektryczną oraz stacji ładowania (201978-2026)

The 10 largest contract awards by firm value, March 2026

Rank	Published	Type	Award	Notice on TED
1	25/03/2026	Road maintenance and snow clearing	ΔΗΜΟΣ ΠΑΥΛΟΥ ΜΕΛΑ (Greece) awarded road maintenance vehicles to ΙΜΠΕΞ ΕΜΠΟΡΙΚΗ ΕΙΣΑΓΩΓΙΚΗ ΑΒΕΕΕ. Contract value: €360 m.	Προμήθεια Εξοπλισμού για την Αναβάθμιση των Ικανοτήτων Παρακολούθησης, Πρόληψης και Ανταπόκρισης έναντι Φυσι… (206891-2026)
2	16/03/2026	Cars and estates	Município de Oliveira de Azeméis (Portugal) awarded cars to FOURHEKA UNIPESSOAL, LDA., and EXTINCÊNDIOS - EQUIPAMENTOS DE PROTECÇÃO E SEGURANÇA, S.A. Contract value: €324 m for the whole notice. 3 lots.	Aquisição de veículos operacionais,Equipamentos de Proteção Individual (EPI´s) e maquinaria/ferramentas dive… (178066-2026)
3	23/03/2026	Electric buses	Verkehrsbetriebe St.Gallen (Switzerland) awarded electric buses to DE_Daimler Buses Schweiz AG. Contract value: €85.1 m (77,625,721 CHF).	Beschaffung E-Busse (197994-2026)

Rank	Published	Type	Award	Notice on TED
4	23/03/2026	Special-purpose vehicles (unspecified)	Município de Viana do Castelo (Portugal) awarded special-purpose vehicles to Imprensa Nacional-Casa da Moeda, S. A. (INCM). Contract value: €69.7 m.	LOCAÇÃO FINANCEIRA PARA AQUISIÇÃO DE VIATURA ELÉTRICA TRANSFORMADA EM UNIDADE MÓVEL (197564-2026)
5	13/03/2026	Police cars	Departament d'Interior i Seguretat Pública (Spain) awarded police cars to FRAIKIN ALQUILER DE VEHICULOS, S.A. Contract value: €48.2 m. 4 lots. Rental or leasing.	Suministro de 364 vehículos nuevos a estrenar en la modalidad de arrendamiento sin opción de compra, destina… (175534-2026)
6	27/03/2026	Trucks (unspecified)	Operator Gazociągów Przesyłowych GAZ-SYSTEM S.A. (Poland) awarded trucks to SZCZĘŚNIAK Pojazdy Specjalne Sp. z o.o. Contract value: €39.6 m (169,917,000 PLN). 2 lots.	Zakup wraz z dostawą 2 szt. pojazdów zadaniowych na potrzeby Spółki (postępowanie podzielone na 2 części) (212633-2026)
7	24/03/2026	Electric buses	Miasto Białystok (Poland) awarded electric buses to Busnex Poland Sp. z o.o. Contract value: €29.2 m (124,950,000 PLN).	Dostawa 60 autobusów komunikacji miejskiej zasilanych energią elektryczną oraz stacji ładowania (201978-2026)
8	31/03/2026	Refuse trucks	Gemeente Amsterdam (Netherlands) awarded refuse trucks to Truckland B.V., VDL Translift B.V. and Gomes Noord-Holland B.V. Contract value: €27.6 m for the whole notice. 5 lots.	Aanschaf emissievrije inzamelvoertuigen Gemeente Amsterdam (221753-2026)
9	16/03/2026	Fire engines	Beredskab Øst I/S (Denmark) awarded 44 fire engines to Wiss Samochody Specjalne SP Z O. O. Contract value: €20 m (149,178,896 DKK).	Kontrakt om levering af Autosprøjter og Tankvogne - Udbud II (Genudbud) (180941-2026)
10	12/03/2026	Fire engines	Regione siciliana - Comando del corpo forestale della Regione Siciliana (Italy) awarded fire engines to COMER SUD S.p.A. Contract value: €18.8 m.	Procedura di gara per l’affidamento della “Fornitura di mezzi ed attrezzature antincendio second… (172125-2026)

Framework agreements state a ceiling, not a purchase, and are left out, as are amounts most likely typed in the wrong unit. The value is that of the whole notice.

4 awards this month state an amount of €1 bn or more, most likely typed in the wrong unit; they are left out of the value totals.

Sources and method

- Source: TED (Tenders Electronic Daily), the online version of the Supplement to the Official Journal of the EU, read through its public search API. Contract award notices (eForms “can-standard” and earlier award notices) and contract notices still open for tenders (“cn-standard”).
- Scope: notices carrying a CPV code for motor vehicles (341…, 3414…); TED also returns the codes below each one. A notice is placed by its most specific code, so an ambulance code wins over a passenger-car code; a notice that names only an unspecified type (motor vehicles, special-purpose or electric vehicles) stays in “Other and unspecified vehicles”, and notices are not reclassified from their text. Each category page lists its codes. Every award is kept from 2024 for buses and from 2026 for the other categories; awards naming a Chinese maker are kept from 2024 in every category. Buyers outside Europe (EU-funded aid purchases) are left out, and so are notices whose main contract nature is services or works (bus line concessions, school transport, hire with driver): they carry vehicle codes but buy no vehicle.
- Chinese makers are matched by name in the winner field: BYD, Yutong, King Long, Golden Dragon, Higer, Zhongtong, CRRC, Foton, Ankai, Skywell, Maxus, Dongfeng, MG, Chery, Geely, Great Wall, Leapmotor, XPeng, Sinotruk and JAC. A dealer counts when it carries the brand's name or where a TED notice ties it to the maker (KL Buses for King Long); a consortium or subcontracting maker is added where the notice names it as part of the winning party.
- Amounts are copied from the notice: the total value of the notice, or the one tender's value when there is exactly one tender and one winner. Values of 0 or below €1,000, which buyers enter to keep a value undisclosed, are left out. Other currencies are converted at the ECB euro reference rate of the publication day. An amount of €1 bn or more, or one far above what any vehicle of the type costs per counted vehicle, is most likely typed in the wrong unit: it is shown as published with a note and left out of totals and rankings. A unit price outside the plausible range for its vehicle type is not shown.
- Vehicle counts are taken only from the quantity field of single-lot notices that state a whole number of pieces; multi-lot notices often put the number of lots there, and many notices give the count only in the text, so most rows show none. A corrected notice republished under a new number replaces the earlier one.
- Each sentence in the lists is built from the notice's own fields; nothing is translated or summarised. Read the notice on TED for the full text.

Source: TED, the procurement journal of the European Union, contract award notices for motor vehicles; counted and compiled by China Car Index. Data as of 17 November 2026.
Online edition with links to every notice: https://chinacarindex.com/tenders/reports/2026-03