**Initiative for the faster charging of electric vehicles was founded**

Together with leading companies from the E-Mobility industry, Phoenix Contact E-Mobility GmbH has now joined the Charging Interface Initiative (CharIN). Audi, BMW, Daimler, Ford, Mennekes, Opel, Porsche, TÜV Süd, and Volkswagen are also members of the initiative.

Among other things, the objective of the initiative is to promote and continue development of the Combined Charging System (CCS), a universal charging interface for electric vehicles developed by Phoenix Contact together with the German Automotive Industry. From 2017 at the latest, owners of electric cars will be able to charge their vehicles at all new charging stations in Europe using the combined charging system.

"Our common goal is to strengthen the trust on the market in the everyday usefulness of E-Mobility. We are closer to achieving the common objective of establishing the CCS together with leading partners in the industry," says Helmut Friedrich, Executive Vice President of PxC E-Mobility GmbH. In October 2015, the members of the club will be introducing themselves for the first time with information and future concepts for the Combined Charging System at the Electronics in Vehicles (ELIV) congress in Baden-Baden.

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