

## Press release

“Range anxiety“ was yesterday – electricity costs of EUR 51.50

## 1,375 km in 2 days from Munich to Barcelona on electric power alone



Inning, Ammersee, 12.11.2013 – From Munich to Barcelona through five European countries on 15 and 16 November 2013 with the ZOE electric vehicle (EV). The trip will rely exclusively on electric power and will demonstrate the impressive range now possible with modern EVs and the charging infrastructure available.

Werner Hillebrand-Hansen, the organizer of eTourEurope, will provide a convincing example of the suitability for everyday use and the performance of EVs. Destination is the international e-mobility fair EVS 27 in Barcelona.

### The route

The route passes through five European countries, starting in Inning am Ammersee (near Munich) and ending in Barcelona. After Bregenz in Austria, it crosses Switzerland from east to west. It continues through the south of France and over the Pyrenees to Spain. The trip will be 1,375 km in total, mostly on motorways. The battery will be recharged mainly at public charging stations of diverse operators. Important for charging is a capacity of at least 22 kW as the ZOE then has sufficient range after 40 to 50 minutes. The charging station at IKEA in the south of France even offers 44 kW so a charging time of less than 30 minutes is sufficient.

### E-mobility is suitable for everyday use

With this trip the EV pioneer Werner Hillebrand-Hansen and his co-driver Annette Schwabenhaus will demonstrate that modern EVs are now suitable for everyday use. This is possible thanks to the lithium ion batteries now used and which can be quickly charged. “The capacity of the charger is decisive” says Werner Hillebrand-Hansen. This makes “range anxiety”, often mentioned in the media, a thing of the past!

The trip makes it clear that the network of charging opportunities must be expanded further to increase accessibility and convenience for EV users.

### E-mobility is sustainable

For this trip the ZOE will consume 210 kWh of electricity at a cost of only EUR 51.50. The energy content of the electricity corresponds to about 16.5 litres of super petrol. The low consumption and the resulting low costs are due to the superior efficiency of the electric motor. EVs play a decisive role as storage systems for an energy turnaround and the use of fluctuating wind and solar streams. Already today the EV is the ideal supplement for every

solar system owner, to increase own energy consumption, relieve the power grids and increase the cost-effectiveness of the solar system.

## **eTourEurope – 9 Capitals – 9 Days**

“E-mobility must get out of the show rooms and reach the people!” is the motto of Werner Hillebrand-Hansen. This spectacular trip of 1,375 km in two days is another significant signal for e-mobility along with the eTourEurope. The eTourEurope – 9 Capitals – 9 Days – will take place for the first time next year and is the most demanding EV rally in Europe with an average day’s leg of 450 km. It will be held from **16.-26.05.2014**: [www.eTourEurope.eu](http://www.eTourEurope.eu).

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## **Schedule Friday 15.11.2013:**

- Inning – Memmingen – LEW – 06:00 – 07:00
- Memmingen – Bregenz – fleet – 08:00 – 09:00
- Bregenz – Zurich – Park & Charge – 10:00 – 11:50
- Zurich – Ittigen – service station – 13:00 – 14:50
- Ittigen – Lausanne – evpass – 15:50 – 17:20
- Lausanne – Geneva – Hotel Starling – 18:20 – 19:10
- Geneva – Rives – Hotel – 20:10 – 22:00

## **Schedule Saturday 16.11.2013:**

- Rives – Montelimar – Renault – 06:00 – 07:50
- Montelimar – Vedene – IKEA – 08:50 – 09:50
- Vedene – Montpellier – IKEA – 10:30 – 12:00
- Montpellier – Narbonne – Renault – 12:40 – 14:00
- Narbonne – Perpignan – EDF – 14:50 – 15:50
- Perpignan – Girona – Renault – 16:40 – 18:00
- Girona – Barcelona – 19:00 – 20:30

## **Facebook**

Follow our trip live on facebook: [www.facebook.com/eTourEurope](http://www.facebook.com/eTourEurope)

## **Photos**

Latest photos will be provided via flickr: <http://flic.kr/s/aHsjK37wD1>

## **GPS Tracking**

Link will be announced at [www.eTourEurope.eu/munich-barcelona](http://www.eTourEurope.eu/munich-barcelona) and [www.facebook.com/eTourEurope](http://www.facebook.com/eTourEurope)