

Webasto at the IAA: New Solutions for Electromobility

Systems partner presents high-performance products at the IAA Cars

- German premiere for Webasto Charging Solutions
- Webasto introduces high-voltage battery system
- Presentation of new heaters for all types of drives
- Show car combines products for electromobility

Stockdorf/Frankfurt – September 12, 2017 – At this year’s IAA Cars, which takes place from September 12 to 24, 2017 in Frankfurt am Main, Webasto, the world market leader for sunroofs, panorama and convertible roofs is presenting new solutions for the mobility of tomorrow. “As part of our dual strategy, we are strengthening our existing competencies and at the same time expanding into new areas,” explains Dr. Holger Engelmann, Chairman of the Management Board, Webasto SE. “We are working at high speed on products and technologies for electromobility,” he points out. Under the umbrella motto for the fair, “Advanced Future Driver”, the systems partner is exhibiting advanced developments in its core business fields along with new products for electromobility. The Webasto booth is located in **hall 8.0, booth A19**.

Webasto Charging Solutions: premiere for Germany

The Webasto Charging Solutions will be presented in Germany for the first time at the IAA. The company combines hardware, installation and services and thus provides one-stop solutions for manufacturers as well as private and commercial customers. Webasto is introducing four charging solutions at the IAA: Three stationary charging stations that have a capacity of 22 kW, as well as a mobile charging solution with a capacity of 11 kW. The stationary charging station, *Webasto Pure*, is the entry-level Wallbox and uses alternating current for charging. *Webasto Next* has the added advantage of being network-compatible and SmartHome-capable. *Webasto Life* is primarily interesting for commercial customers, as it allows for charging with direct current and thereby ensures continuous high performance. The company offers a mobile charging solution—*Webasto Go*. The compact, easy-to-transport charging solution allows for charging on the go.

Entry into the development of battery systems

Another premiere involves the introduction of a ‘made by Webasto’ high-voltage battery system. This is the company’s entry into the development and production of battery systems. The battery is suited for all cell formats—cylindrical, pouch and prismatic. A design-to-cost solution, the battery systems can be developed specifically to meet individual manufacturer requirements. “Because of our expertise in the area of thermo management, we have the capability to develop batteries that feature outstanding performance and life time,” is how Dr. Engelmann articulates the strategic expansion of the company’s product portfolio. “While we are building on existing global structures and processes, we also have the capacity to bring our long-term systems expertise to bear in industrial series production.”

New heating technologies for every type of drive

In line with its dual strategy, in addition to developing new products, Webasto is strengthening its core business areas: roof, convertible roof and thermos systems. The high-voltage heater (HVH) has already enabled the company to gain a foothold in electromobility in the field of thermo management. The HVH provides for heat in the interior of hybrid and electric vehicles. Following the successful product launch in 2015, the company proceeded to strategically advance development of the electric heater, and is now presenting the HVH 100 at the IAA 2017. The heater is designed for vehicle electric system voltages of up to 870 volts. Moreover, Webasto is expanding its product range in the area of retrofittable thermosystems with the addition of an electrically operated parking heater for internal combustion engines.

Webasto show car underscores systems competence

The show car combines a variety of Webasto products that deliver unique added value in the new mobility: Visionary roof systems provide for more light and air in the interior, charging solutions and battery systems electrify the car of the future, and heating systems such as the high-voltage heater underscore the company's knowhow in thermo management. Furthermore, the show car documents the automotive supplier's grasp of vehicle integration—across its various products. At the same time, the interactive exhibit symbolizes just how well these new solutions for electromobility fit into the Webasto world.

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About Webasto:

The Webasto Group is a global innovative systems partner to almost all automobile manufacturers and among the top 100 suppliers in this industry sector. In its core business areas the company develops and produces sunroofs, panorama roofs and convertible roofs as well as thermo systems for all drive types. In addition, with battery systems and charging solutions Webasto is building up a product portfolio for electromobility. In 2016 the Webasto Group generated sales of 3.2 billion euros and has more than 12,000 employees at more than 50 locations (with over 30 of these being manufacturing plants). The headquarters of the company, founded in 1901, is located in Stockdorf near Munich (Germany). For more information please visit www.webasto-group.com

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