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### **ID.3 Germany tour with world record ADS-TEC supports successful marathon drive**

The long-distance drivers Rainer Zietlow and Dominic Brüner achieved the goal of the ID.3 Germany tour and secured the world record for the longest continuous drive through a country in an electric vehicle. ADS-TEC supported the fully electric record drive as a sponsor and welcomed the ID.3 team on 21 October in Nuertingen. Thomas Speidel, CEO of ADS-TEC, demonstrated the innovative fast charging system HPC at the VW ID.3 Pro S of the world record holders.

28,198 kilometres, 652 charging stations, 65 days - the tour has tested extensively the long-distance suitability of e-vehicles and the charging infrastructure in Germany. Zietlow notes: "You can see that e-mobility is an important topic and that there is a big interest". With the increasing number of electric car models and focus on e-mobility, the pressure to expand charging infrastructure will also increase.

#### **Testing the suitability for daily use of a fully electric vehicle**

After two months across Germany, the world record holder draws a positive result about everyday life with an e-vehicle and refers to the change in mobility behaviour: "It is different from the classic trip to the gas station. You charge whenever you can, no matter where you are, and look for a parking space where you can charge". The HPC from ADS-TEC already offers refuelling of e-vehicles close to the usual fuel stop. The storage-based system enables fast electricity refuelling anywhere on the normal distribution grid. Therefore, a costly network expansion as with similar charging systems is not necessary.

The Germany tour started on September 28th at the southernmost hotel in Germany near Oberstdorf and ended at the northernmost parking lot in Germany, west of List on Sylt. The world record holders support the SOS Children's Village in Bernburg/Saale with part of the advertising revenues. During a stop at their housing project Zietlow presented a donation of 2,500€.

Partners of the marathon drive are ADS-TEC, Alpitronic, CAR-connect, E.ON Drive, Hankook Reifen, hastobe, Infineon Technologies, MOON, Steigenberger Hotels, Tank & Rast, We Charge as well as Volkswagen AG.

#### **ADS-TEC – Technology for Professionals – 100% Made in Germany**

ADS-TEC Energy GmbH is a company of ADS-TEC group, and is part-owned by BOSCH. The medium-sized, family-run business is headquartered in Nuertingen near Stuttgart, with a production site near Dresden.

ADS-TEC Energy GmbH is drawing on its decades of experience with lithium-ion technologies to produce battery storage solutions and fast charging systems, including the corresponding energy management systems. The technology can be used in private homes, public buildings and commercial enterprises, with solutions starting at a storage capacity of 19 kilowatt-hours. The scalable battery storage systems enable industrial and infrastructure solutions as well as self-sufficient energy supply systems with capacities of up to several megawatts. Its new fast charging technology for electric vehicles is truly ground-breaking, and features a unique compact design.

An exceptional high integration depth enables high quality and functionality of the produced battery technology. Apart from the cells, all our components are developed and produced in-house.

The CEO of ads-tec Holding GmbH, Thomas Speidel, is also Managing Director of ads-tec Energy GmbH and President of the German Energy Storage Association (BVES) e.V., based in Berlin. Through its involvement in government-funded projects across Germany at both national and regional level, ADS-TEC maintains close relations with companies and research institutions throughout the entire value chain.

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