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### **Bundesverband eMobilität (BEM) joins CharIN e.V. as supporter**

Berlin, 08.12.2020. The Bundesverband eMobilität (BEM) in Berlin has joined the Charging Interface Initiative – abbreviated CharIN e. V. – as a supporter. The purpose of CharIN is to promote and support the Combined Charging System worldwide. The main objectives include the development and establishment of the Combined Charging System (CCS) as a standard for charging battery-powered electric vehicles of all kinds, the further development of standards and the development of a certification system for manufacturers using CCS in their products.

CCS is currently the only charging system in the world that covers all charging scenarios with a single system. Drivers of all types of electric vehicles can choose between normal and rapid charging as well as alternating current (one-phase to three-phase) and direct current (currently up to 350 kW at public charging stations) – and only need a single system to do so. CCS also has the advantage of being accepted and supported by a significant number of companies from different industries.

Claas Bracklo, Chairman of the Board of CharIN e. V., welcomes the BEM as a supporter. "We are pleased that the BEM supports us in further developing and establishing the Combined Charging System (CCS) as a worldwide standard for charging electric vehicles. Together we can drive forward electric mobility and create synergies." CharIN benefits from the dialogue of numerous experts from different industries who support the official loading solution of the European Union.

Markus Emmert, BEM Board Member and Head of the Big Data Blockchain working group, commented the cooperation: "Fast-charging systems are the linchpin of the range of e-vehicles and thus the success of the products. Our proximity to the companies enables us to provide numerous impulses. At the same time, we are pleased about the further development of bi-directional charging, which makes the vehicles usable as energy storage devices and thus creates new added value within the decentralized energy turnaround."

**The Bundesverband eMobilität (BEM)** is a federation of companies, institutions, researchers and users in the field of electromobility who are committed to switching mobility in Germany to electromobility on the basis of renewable energies. The tasks of the BEM include the active networking of economic actors for the development of sustainable and intermodal mobility solutions, the improvement of the legal framework for the expansion of e-mobility and the implementation of more equal opportunities in the transition to low-emission drive concepts. The association was founded in 2009. It organises 300 member companies with annual sales of more than 100 billion euros and more than one million employees worldwide.

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