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## **Request for Proposal:**

"Vehicle Interoperability Testing Events (Testivals)"

CharIN Academy GmbH is the dedicated facilitating entity of the CharIN e.V. Association providing stakeholders with an opportunity to benefit from live testing on-site, practice-oriented trainings on embility and charging topics and by presentation of their portfolio on international trade fairs.

In the area of "IEC & ISO-based charging systems" (such as CCS, MCS, but also other future standards), we use a targeted selection of intelligent marketing tools. We also consolidate our global partner network at Testivals, trade fairs, congresses, and specialized technology forums.

The purpose of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to nominate one or several partner companies that will conduct a series of Charging Testing Events (Testivals) to support interoperability of electric vehicle (EV) charging. For examples of Testival Events, refer to the CharlN e.V. Website, in particular Global Testivals & Conferences – CharlN.

## About the requirements

The goal of this RFP is to establish a series of Testival Events to support product development and standards implementation for light-, medium-, and heavy-duty on-road vehicles and associated charging in a collaborative, low-risk environment to move toward an interoperable charging ecosystem.

The Contractor or Contractors, working in collaboration and consultation with CharIN Academy (as Facilitator) and CharIN e.V. (as Branding Sponsor), will plan, conduct, and manage a minimum of 6 (six) and up to 10 (ten) Testivals globally during each year 2025, 2026 and 2027. These Testivals will convene key emobility stakeholders to conduct charging tests in a collaborative and low-risk environment, develop and finalize products and standards, and discuss what is required to overcome common technology barriers facing the electrification of global mobility.

Testivals focus on on-site testing for electric vehicle charging, including cybersecurity testing such as certificate handling to ensure secure and interoperable Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). Additional required testing capabilities may include Plug & Charge (PnC) as well as Bidirectional Power Transfer including Vehicle-to-Grid capabilities. Other technologies and test features may be required by CharlN Academy according to CharlN e.V.'s global strategy, market requirements and tester preferences as well as other factors.

Testivals may also include a separate public conference component to complement the private, closed doors testing, as an optional feature as determined by CharlN Academy/ CharlN e.V. This optional conference component will be focused on knowledge sharing and advancement and discussions around charging interoperability.



## Legal and commercial conditions

Quotations to be submitted in writing in English language. Please submit your written quotation to the contact person indicated below by April 30th, 2024.

The applicability of the general terms and conditions of the bidding company or any other terms and conditions will be expressly excluded. In case the bidding party is a full merchant, it is mandatory that the contract will be subject to German law excluding the conflict-of-law provisions.

We would highly appreciate to receive third-party contacts for references in the same or similar topics as well as personal experience with the organization and execution of technical events.

The following person serves as primary point of contact and shall be the only person to receive the quotation:

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To simplify the processing, we would highly appreciate if you would send your detailed quotation by e-mail as well as use the provided quotation table.

For more information, please refer to www.charin.global.

We look forward very much to receiving your proposals!

Christoph Stürmer

CEO, CharIN Academy GmbH