

Press release

Linde opens its own hydrogen fuelling station near Munich

- As of today, fuel-cell cars can fill up on hydrogen in the town of Unterschleissheim.
- Markus Bachmeier, Head of Hydrogen Applications: “Linde is leading the way in the field of hydrogen fuelling and is committed to the widespread commercialisation of this technology.”
- Environmentally friendly car sharing initiative *BeeZero* benefits from improved infrastructure.

Munich, 12 January 2017 – The technology company The Linde Group continues to invest in building out Germany's hydrogen refuelling network. The company has converted its test and development centre at its production site in Unterschleissheim (17 kilometres north of Munich) to a public fuelling station. Drivers of fuel-cell cars can now refuel with environmentally friendly hydrogen at the site (Monday to Friday, 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.).

For more than ten years the “Linde Hydrogen Centre” has been serving as a hydrogen supply point, technology test centre and presentation platform. The centre's impressive architecture with three transparent, circular roof segments makes it a striking backdrop to showcase the benefits of hydrogen.

The centre initially served as a fuelling station for a test fleet of hydrogen-fuelled cars and buses, including a shuttle bus used during the 2006 football World Cup. In 2007, the site was designated one of the “365 Landmarks in the Land of Ideas” by the initiative “Germany – Land of Ideas”. Today, the fuelling station is primarily used by test vehicles from BMW and the car sharing fleet run by *BeeZero*. In summer 2016, the new affiliate Linde Hydrogen Concepts started operating the world's first car sharing scheme to exclusively offer hydrogen-fuelled vehicles under the name of *BeeZero*. The new station near Munich provides owners of fuel-cell cars with a second refuelling option in addition to the TOTAL station in the city's Detmoldstrasse. Further stations will be added over the coming months.

Linde has gained many years of expertise along the entire hydrogen value chain and has equipped over 100 hydrogen fuelling stations around the world. In addition, Linde collaborates with partner companies to explore new pathways in the sustainable production of hydrogen using renewable energy sources.

The revamp activities have received funding from the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure.



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