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### The Region's First Hydrogen Service Station Opens in Leipzig

- **H2 MOBILITY, Linde and TOTAL open new H<sub>2</sub> station in Leipzig**
- **Site enhances eco-friendly mobility in Saxony**
- **Capacity to refuel up to 40 vehicles per day**
- **EU funding within the scope of the Hydrogen Mobility Europe (H2ME) project**

Drivers of fuel-cell vehicles can now also refuel in Leipzig. Today, the partners H2 MOBILITY, Linde and TOTAL inaugurated the region's first hydrogen service station at the TOTAL truck stop in Poststraße. This closes another major gap in the H<sub>2</sub> network along German highways.

The technology for the new hydrogen facility at the TOTAL service station in Leipzig is produced by Linde and has the capacity for refuelling up to 40 vehicles per day. The facility is owned and operated by H2 MOBILITY, a joint venture formed by the companies Air Liquide, Daimler, Linde, OMV, Shell, and TOTAL. The partners' primary goal is to operate 100 stations in seven German metropolitan areas and along motorways and highways by the end of 2019. Another 300 hydrogen service stations will follow as the vehicle numbers are ramped up.

For the establishment of the hydrogen station in Leipzig, H2 MOBILITY has received funding from the Fuel Cells and Hydrogen 2 Joint Undertaking (FCH 2 JU) under grant agreement No 671438. The Joint Undertaking receives support from the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme, Hydrogen Europe and Hydrogen Europe research.

H2 MOBILITY is part of the FCH JU-funded Hydrogen Mobility Europe (H2ME), a flagship project bringing together Europe's leading initiatives in hydrogen mobility – in Germany, France, the UK and Scandinavia. Through H2ME, FCH JU is supporting the roll-out of a large-scale hydrogen refuelling infrastructure, aimed at enabling Europe-wide emission-free driving.

#### Electromobility with Hydrogen Lowers CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions

Eco-friendly electromobility using hydrogen causes no local pollutants or CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and, thanks to short refuelling times and long ranges, offers a high level of driving convenience. Fuel-cell vehicles can be refuelled in under five minutes with enough fuel for a reach of up to 800 kilometers.

As a pioneer in its industry, TOTAL has been active in the development of hydrogen mobility since 2002. Today, one in every three public hydrogen stations in Germany is at a TOTAL service station. More H<sub>2</sub> stations in the region are currently under construction and/or at the planning stage, e.g. at TOTAL service stations in Magdeburg, Erfurt and Neuruppin. Linde will soon open another hydrogen service station in Halle.

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