

Press release

Find the nearest charging station quickly and safely

Digital Charging Solutions, provider of digital charging solutions for automobile manufacturers and fleet operators, extends its innovative service with voice control and route planning

Munich, March 21, 2019 – Digital Charging Solutions GmbH (DCS) develops innovative and digital full service white label solutions for the simple and standardized use of public charging stations for automobile manufacturers and fleet operators. And now DCS is extending its service with innovative new features in its app solution.

Digital Charging Solutions GmbH has set itself the task of intensively promoting the transition towards customer-oriented and extensive electromobility through the development of customized services and individual charging solutions for automobile manufacturers and fleet operators. The ultimate aim is to be able to provide an optimized and seamless charging experience for the end customer. Since January 2019, DCS's service has included more than 110,000 charging points, making it the world's fastest growing charging network. To make it easier to find and use public charging points, the company also offers OEMs (Original Equipment Manufacturers) and fleet customers an app solution, as part of its white label offering. On the basis of customer feedback, DCS is continuously further developing this app, which is currently available to CHARGE NOW customers, and is now providing new features:

To make it even easier to plan a journey to the nearest charging point in future, Digital Charging Solutions has optimized the route calculation in the app. Start and stop destination routes can also be integrated, and you can make a note of special charging stations on the route. In addition, you can now also use the Siri® voice control system to find charging stations and add them to your favorites or to start the authentication process – all fully integrated via Apple CarPlay. This innovation not only makes it easier to find charging stations and navigate to the corresponding location, but, above all, it also makes it safer, as it enables route planning with out hands-on operation or the distraction of having to glance at the screen on a mobile handset. Digital Charging Solutions' further developments focus in particular on route planning. So, in future, automatic stops, ranges and ambient conditions will be incorporated in the route planning and navigation, and the process will be further automated.

“To be able to always offer automobile manufacturers and fleet operators the right solution for the implementation of their respective mobility strategy, we are continuously working on optimizing our service. By extending the app features, we are demonstrating that we take our customers' requirements on board and, with these innovative functions, are taking a further step towards the electromobility of the future,” said Bernd Vollmayr, Director of Product & Marketing at Digital Charging Solutions GmbH.

In addition to extending the app features for CHARGE NOW customers, Digital Charging Solutions GmbH is also expanding its network of participating markets and, as part of the Joint Venture between the BMW Group and Daimler AG, with its extensive charging infrastructure, is making a significant contribution towards the mobility revolution. So, BMW CHARGE NOW customers can now also charge their vehicles in Italy without any difficulty.

With CHARGE NOW, DCS is also promoting networking with the other Joint Venture Verticals REACH NOW, FREE NOW, PARK NOW and SHARE NOW, in order to make the most of electromobility and its spread into a network mobility service.

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About Digital Charging Solutions GmbH

Digital Charging Solutions GmbH (DCS) develops public charging solutions for automobile manufacturers and fleet operators, making it one of the world's most important drivers of the transition to electromobility. The full service white label solutions of the Munich-based company allow OEMs and fleet operators to realize their electromobility strategies, because with integrated digital solutions, DCS makes charging at public charging stations easy, safe and comfortable. In the process, with over 100,000 charging points in 25 integrated markets, as well as transnational charging, Digital Charging Solutions boasts the world's fastest-growing public charging network. In February 2017, DCS originated from BMW's ChargeNow project which was started in 2012. Digital Charging Solutions GmbH belongs to the BMW Group and Daimler AG in equal shares.