

KEBA starts series production of wallboxes for a premium German car manufacturer

- **KEBA given approval for delivery after successful audit of the quality processes for the new BMW i Wallbox**
- **Start of series production and initial deliveries have already taken place**

KEBA and the BMW group recently celebrated an important milestone: With the delivery approval and the start of series production of the new BMW i Wallbox manufactured by KEBA, cooperation between the Austrian automation specialist and the German premium car manufacturer is official.

Tender won

In December 2014, KEBA was invited by the BMW group to tender for an intelligent charging infrastructure, which KEBA subsequently won. After an intensive time of product development, the BMW group carried out an audit of the quality processes at KEBA in Linz on the basis of the automotive company's specifications. The result of this acceptance was pleasing, as Thomas Heidlmair, project leader and head of KEBA product management for charging solutions explains: *"Every one of the 91 questions was found to be positive. This is a remarkable result which has made us extremely proud, particularly considering the short duration of the project. The performance of the entire project also impressed the BMW group."* The cooperation between KEBA and the BMW group has now become an intensive partnership.

Second production line

A second production line has been built in the KEBA factory for the wallboxes that KEBA produces for the BMW group. The first delivery has left the factory for Dingolfing just one day after passing the initial sample inspection and the process series carried out by the BMW group.



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Attractive design and high performance capability

The new BMW i wallboxes are available in different versions, which all make a good impression with their attractive design and performance capability. They charge with up to 22kW; the BMW i Wallbox Plus also has the option of detecting several vehicles belonging to different users with its integrated RFID reader and assigning the data to the correct vehicle.

Intelligent charging system

Solar-optimized charging processes, load management for fleet customers or connections to leading Smart Home systems can be realized with the BMW i Wallbox Connect and its integrated WiFi connection. This creates an holistic charging system which intelligently integrates the charging process in everyday operations and the electricity market, and reduces costs at the same time.

Worldwide use

The wallbox developed by KEBA for the BMW group is intended for all relevant markets worldwide, from Europe and the USA all the way to Asia, and is future-proof thanks to the modular system so that future electromobility requirements can also be fulfilled.

KEBA and electric mobility

KEBA has been active in the area of electric mobility since 2009 and has already sold more than 20,000 charging stations worldwide. The latest KeContact P30 wallbox is already the third generation of wallboxes from KEBA that offers new application possibilities thanks to recent communication standards and features. It can therefore be easily integrated into Smart Home or back-end systems, connected to photovoltaic systems and becomes the communication center for intelligently controlled charging thanks to the possibility of billing. All types of electric vehicles can be charged with the KEBA P30 KeContact wallbox. www.keba.com/emobility

About KEBA

Founded in 1968, KEBA AG is an internationally successful electronics company based in Linz/Austria with subsidiaries around the world. In line with its credo, "Automation by innovation," KEBA has been developing and producing innovative, top quality automation solutions for industrial, banking, service and energy automation for more than 45 years. www.keba.com

The logo for KEBA, featuring the letters 'KEBA' in a bold, sans-serif font. The 'K' and 'E' are green, while the 'B' and 'A' are grey. A registered trademark symbol (®) is located at the top right of the 'A'.

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Process series of the BMW i Wallbox in factory 2 at KEBA | Picture note: KEBA AG



The new BMW i Wallbox | Picture reference: BMW group

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