

# press release

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## Six new partners joined e-clearing.net

**The European E-Roaming platform e-clearing.net is growing rapidly. Since November 2015 six more market partners joined. Among others, the European utility company Vattenfall, the Charge Point Operator (CPO) Allego, the oil company Petrol. But also small startups like CIRRANTiC from Munich will handle their business via the platform. Thus, e-clearing.net connects major players within the electric mobility market and opens up new important markets for their existing partners.**

**Aachen.** e-clearing.net is an E-Roaming platform, that enables electric mobility interoperability between charging networks and their end-users. It provides affiliated partners the opportunity to share all relevant data among each other in order to make interoperability work. Six new partners signed: the European utility company Vattenfall Europe Innovation GmbH, the CPO Allego, the leading oil company in Slovenia Petrol d.d, the startup CIRRANTiC GmbH and has.to.be GmbH from Austria and Last Mile Solutions from the Netherlands. “The reason for the rapid growth of the network of e-clearing.net shows us the relevance and importance of standardized exchange of data and E-Roaming. This is the only way for interoperability and customer friendly charging”, says Dr. Mark Steffen Walcher, CEO of smartlab Innovationsgesellschaft. smartlab is together with the dutch foundation ElaadNL the founder of e-clearing.net and operates the platform.

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Vattenfall is besides E.ON the next out of the big four utilities in Germany to join e-clearing.net. In the field of electric mobility Vattenfall is active in the whole of Germany and in its home market Sweden as well as in the Netherlands via NUON. “Especially the Scandinavian market is highly interesting for us – currently we are talking also to other players and planning to grow rapidly in that market this year”, says Hauke Hinrichs, Technical Director of smartlab. Also with Allego, important new fast charging infrastructure will be accessible via the platform. As a dedicated CPO in the Netherlands, Belgium and Germany, Allego is active within the TEN-T program of the EU in which 278 fast chargers will be installed at important pan-European transits.

Petrol is the first partner from Slovenia for e-clearing.net and operates charging infrastructure as well. Within the EU-Project CENTRAL EUROPEAN GREEN CORRIDORS (CEGC) 115 fast chargers were installed until the end of 2015 in Austria, Slovakia, Croatia, Bavaria and Slovenia which shall be interoperable and enable cross border charging. In Slovenia Petrol, as the biggest energy company, is responsible for the installation and operation of the charging infrastructure.

The startup CIRRANTiC enriches and improves the quality of charge point information (POI) via modern, crowd-based approaches and thus helping the user to find and use the charging infrastructure. In doing so, the POI data are gathered and upgraded. After that the enriched POI data are offered individually to CPO's, Navigation Service Providers (NSP) and other users, e.g. the “Ladeatlas Bayern”. The needed information is exchanged in realtime via e-clearing.net. has.to.be offers IT-solutions and operates a charging network in Germany and Austria – as well as Last Mile Solutions, that are founded in the Netherlands.

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## **About e-clearing.net**

e-clearing.net is a joint venture of Dutch foundation ElaadNL and smartlab Innovationsgesellschaft mbH of Germany. It has already attracted 18 partners, making e-clearing.net Europe's largest E-Roaming platform. It consists of more than 9500 online-compatible charge points. The partners can use the platform to share the data necessary for user authentication, billing, and real-time monitoring of activity at charging points. Data is shared via an open clearing house protocol (OCHP). The OCHP requires no license or fee and can therefore be used by all partners. The e-clearing.net platform is both open and non-compulsory: partners are not obliged to do business with one another and may freely choose the partners with which they wish to conclude bilateral roaming agreements. e-clearing.net provides partners with standard agreements for this purpose. The platform is open to new e-mobility partners.

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