



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Acciona and the Renault-Nissan Alliance join forces to promote electric vehicles**

- **Both parties sign an agreement that includes the preparation of charging networks and the corresponding services for electric vehicles.**
- **The agreement calls for the supply of energy from renewable, zero-emission sources for the new cars.**

Acciona and the Renault-Nissan Alliance today signed an agreement to promote the adoption of electric vehicles in Spain.

The agreement was signed by Jean-Pierre Laurent, President of Renault Espana, S.A. and Manuel de la Guardia, Managing Director of Nissan Iberia, S.A., representing the Renault-Nissan Alliance, and Carmen Becerril, President of Acciona Energia.

According to the terms of the agreement, Acciona will bring its capacity to develop an intelligent charging network, provide associated services and supply electricity produced from renewable sources. This implementation will be done in coordination with the forecasts of the Renault-Nissan Alliance for the commercialization of electric vehicles.

The Renault-Nissan Alliance will ensure that the network is compatible with electric vehicles and their navigation systems so that available charging points can be identified. The charging system will be included in the commercial offering together with the vehicles.

In this manner, and as a result of the agreement, the parties will join forces to form an Electric Mobility Operator.

## **What is a charging network?**

A charging network is comprised of three elements: charging points, which must incorporate all the safety and intelligence systems required by international standards, a communications and information system, and an ensemble of value-added services, including quick, safe and efficient energy supply.

Electric vehicle users need a turnkey solution with all-in-one services, including access to a pre-determined supplier at a set fee, the possibility of taking out a contract for electricity produced from renewable energies, access to a geo-positioning service for charging points, the availability of a roaming solution for cross-border travel, and the existence of a network of charging points in public and private places.

## **Acciona: the contribution of a global leader in renewable energy**

Acciona, in collaboration with their technology colleagues Indra and Ingeteam, have created a system called SIRVE (Intelligent System for Electric Vehicle Charging), which includes the installation of charging points in various types of locations, both private (homes, company headquarters, parking lots) and public. This network, managed by an Internet-based open platform, will allow for quick increases in the offering, in volume as well as in content and services.

Acciona, one of the major global producers of renewable energy, will supply its users with emission-free electricity thereby favoring a greater integration of renewable energy into the system, especially in time frames with lesser demand. It will provide the basic charging services, among others, such as charging point localization information in the vehicle's navigation system and sending information to mobile phones about the battery's charging state or incidents, for example.

## **The Renault-Nissan Alliance: the vision of a global leader**

The Renault-Nissan Alliance, with a broad offering of "zero-emission" vehicles and nearly 50 agreements signed worldwide, is positioned as a world leader in electric vehicle development.

Spain is an essential component owing to the strong presence in the country of Renault and Nissan, in manufacturing and sales alike. In October 2009 Renault announced that the production model derived from Twizy Z.E. Concept would be manufactured at the Valladolid plant. Several months later, the first Alliance agreement on vehicle tests at Barcelona Town Hall and on establishing an integral program for electric vehicles with the Regional Council of Andalusia was signed. A further agreement was signed in March 2010 with the Regional Council of Castilla y León.

## ***The electric vehicle in the strategy of both groups***

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*The **Renault-Nissan Alliance** celebrated its tenth anniversary in 2009, a year in which it sold more than six million vehicles. The Alliance's objective is to rank among the top three global carmakers on quality, technology and profitability. It is working on collaborative projects with institutions, governments and businesses, to which it contributes its automotive expertise. More than 50 agreements have thus far been signed worldwide, aimed at developing electric vehicles for as early as 2010 and marketing these vehicles widely from 2012.*

***Acciona** is a global company, leader in infrastructure, energy, water and services in more than 30 countries, whose mission is to contribute to sustainability in all of its activities. Acciona has developed a new approach concerning electric vehicles. Among the initiatives put forth, in addition to developing the SIRVE system, the company has signed a cooperation agreement with the Ministry of Industry for the promotion of electric vehicles, participates in the Ministry's working groups and is a founding member of FOREVE (Spanish Forum for Electric Vehicles).*

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