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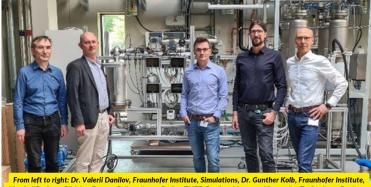


PARKER HANNIFIN ANNOUNCES MAJOR MILESTONE FOR

FUEL CELL TECHNOLOGY

Parker Hannifin's Filtration business has reached a major milestone on the journey towards mass production of hollow fibre membrane technology for fuel cell humidification applications, a vital step towards reducing carbon emissions.

By enabling optimal moisture levels, hollow fibre membrane technology allows fuel cells to last longer and to perform more efficiently and reliably. It supports the transition from fossil fuels, accelerating the shift to



From left to right: Dr. Valerii Danilov, Fraunhofer Institute, Simulations, Dr. Gunther Kolb, Fraunhofer Institute, Head of Business Division Energy, Robert Jozsa, Parker EMFE, Product Manager Alternative Technology, Dr. Jonas Schramm, Fraunhofer, Hydrogen Technology Group, Burkhard Hartmann, Parker EMFE R&D Stuttgart Officer

fuel cell electrical vehicles in the next five years.Parker announced the successful completion of the specialized test rig which is to validate products by Parker OEM customers.This new technology enable Parker to test the membrane technology in ways that are much more advanced and aids to develop robust system solutions for fuel cell.

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CASTROL INDIA APPOINTS ROHIT TALWAR AS

VICE PRESIDENT & HEAD OF MARKETING

Castrol, India's premier lubricant manufacturer, has announced the appointment of Mr. Rohit Talwar as Vice President and Head of Marketing, effective 1 November 2023. Mr. Talwar will succeed Ms. Jaya Jamrani in this role, who has decided to take a one-year sabbatical.

Mr. Talwar will be responsible for steering Castrol's comprehensive marketing strategies to deliver growth and value for our customers and shareholders. He will also join the Castrol India Leadership Team.

Mr. Talwar brings with him a wealth of experience, possessing 21 years of proficiency in leading high-performance multicultural teams across various levels and assignments, locally and globally. His distinguished career spans both developed and growth markets within the Castrol group.



Mr. Talwar's journey with Castrol India commenced in June 2004 when he joined as a Management Trainee. Over the years, he has made significant contributions to the brand's growth in diverse roles, including Sales Manager, Bikes Brand Manager, and Cricket Sponsorship Activation Manager.

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RAMKRISHNA FORGINGS TO SUPPLY TRANSMISSION AND ENGINE COMPONENTS FOR EURASIAN FARM EQUIPMENT CUSTOMERS



Ramkrishna Forgings Limited ("the Company"), one of the leading suppliers of rolled, forged, and machined products is pleased to announce the recent award of a significant business contract valued at 17.2 Million Euros (approx. INR 156 Crores) from a Eurasian customer in the farm equipment's industry. The contract extends over a period of 4 (four) years, resulting in an annual contract valued at around 4.31 Million Euros.

Under the terms of this agreement, the Company will be supplying topquality forged and machined components, catering specifically to Transmission and Engine parts. This partnership will extend over a span of 4 years, establishing a long-term association between the two entities.

The contract underscores the exceptional quality and reliability that the Company has consistently delivered to its clients in the farm equipment industry. This successful collaboration exemplifies the Company's dedication to providing tailored solutions that meet the unique demands of its customers.

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RK MISRA APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF SOCIETY OF MANUFACTURERS OF ELECTRIC VEHICLES

Rajendra Kumar Misra, co-founder of Yulu Bikes and Director at Magna Yuma, has been appointed President of the Society of Manufacturers of Electric Vehicles (SMEV). As President, he will lead SMEV between 2023-24 and will galvanise efforts to accelerate EV adoption in India by leveraging his deep insights into the country's emerging mobility ecosystem.

Speaking about his appointment, Mr. R.K. Misra said, "SMEV has always played a critical role in steering India's sustainable mobility transition, and I am excited for the opportunity to lead this esteemed organisation. I look forward to working closely with the Society's members to deepen SMEV's relationships with policymakers and to reinforce its position as the most dynamic, reputable, and knowledgeable platform advocating for the equipment manufacturers original (OEMs),



battery and cell OEMs, and charging infrastructure companies in India." component makers. Stressing the importance of meaningfully engaging with different stakeholders to achieve the organisation's stated goals, he added, "Over the next few months, SMEV will work to broaden the scope and depth of discourse with policymakers, standard-setting organisations, industry, innovators, startups, and academia."



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KETO MOTORS AND SAERA ELECTRIC **JOIN HANDS TO BUILD INDIA'S LARGEST ELECTRIC 3-WHEELER COMPANY**

KETO Motors and Saera Electric have forged a notable partnership in the electric vehicle industry, giving rise to Saera Keto EV Private Limited. This collaborative venture will stand as a key player in India's Electric 3-Wheeler (E3W) sector, aligning with the nation's sustainable transportation objectives.

Branded as "SAERA KETO," these E3Ws will boast pioneering design and cutting-edge features, including Fast Charge technology, a Vehicle Control Unit (VCU), and top-tier safety and comfort for drivers and passengers alike.

Dr Karthik Ponnapula, Founder of KETO Motors, commented on the partnership, stating, "The JV will be offering the largest product range of E3Ws in the industry with the launch of a comprehensive range of new products over the next few quarters catering to



emerging market segments. These advanced technology products have been designed to synergise group verticals viz, ETO's fleet management expertise and Trinity Cleantech's installation of EV charging infrastructure, the EV ecosystem is now poised to take off."



Saera Electric holds a prominent position as one of the biggest players in the L3 range of electric threewheeler (e rickshaw), playing a pivotal role in driving the adoption of sustainable transportation solutions. Keto Motors is known for its proficiency in designing and manufacturing L5 range of Electric 3-wheelers (e auto) for passenger and cargo use.

By harnessing Saera Electric's proficiency in designing manufacturing and retailing of diverse range of L3 Electric three wheelers (e rickshaw), alongside Keto Motors' expertise in designing and producing L5 range of Electric Three wheelers (e auto) for passengers and cargo.

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CONTINENTAL LAUNCHES FIRST DIGITAL FACTORY **IN EUROPE EQUIPPED WITH 5G NETWORK**

Technology company Continental has launched its first private 5G network among its European manufacturing sites at its display solutions plant in Brandýs nad Labem, Czechia. The 5G network, set-up to fit Continental's specifically requirements for high-tech production, from Czechia's T-Mobile is expected to further advance the digitalization of production by speeding up communication between employees, equipment, and machines, such as sensors, production robots and autonomous transport vehicles. Additionally,



it is improving connectivity between Continental plants in the global production network thanks to a uniform and secure environment with reduced latency times. In total, Continental plans to integrate more than 1,000 devices and sensors, into the network at its plant in Brandýs, Covering an area of 5,000 square meters, eight network access points provide the signal for the private 5G network.

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ZEVO PARTNERS WITH AGILITY VENTURES TO OFFER FUNDING FOR SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAIN SOLUTIONS



ZEVO, the country's first completely integrated electric supply chain & warehousing platform, announced that it has successfully raised funding from Agility Ventures, India's leading Angel Fund. The funding will be utilized to further expand ZEVO's fleet of electric vehicles & micro storages, focusing on lastmile delivery and integrated logistics solutions along with electric refrigerated deliveries.

ZEVO is a unique platform that revolutionizes supply chain solutions using electric vehicles across various sectors, with a special emphasis on refrigerated

solutions. ZEVO offers end-to-end, zero-emission vehicles for operations, EV charging using renewable energy sources, real-time visibility and control, temperature-controlled refrigerated delivery, and refrigerated micro storage. By leveraging innovation and technology.

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OLA ELECTRIC COMMENCES DELIVERIES OF THE ALL NEW \$1 AIR



Ola Electric, India's largest electric vehicle company, started deliveries of the all new S1 Air. Introduced last month, the S1 Air has become one of the most popular EV scooters in the country with over 50,000 bookings so far. The deliveries of S1 Air have started in more than 100 cities with other markets to follow soon.

Ola S1 Air is the perfect urban city ride companion aimed at driving mass adoption of EV's. With low running and maintenance cost, it offers the cuttingedge technology and thermals, and robust

frame testify to their meticulous engineering. With higher motor efficiency, enhanced torque, and reimagined electronics, the Ola S1 Pro Gen2 becomes more than a vehicle; it's a manifestation of Ola Electric's pursuit of automotive excellence. The S1 Air boasts a robust 3 kWh battery capacity, peak motor power of 6kW, a certified range of 151 km.

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SAIETTA APPOINTS CHINMAYA JOSHI AS DIRECTOR, POWER ELECTRONICS & CONTROL SYSTEMS

Saietta Group Plc (AIM: SED), a British electric drivetrain (eDrive) specialist, has announced the appointment of Chinmaya Joshi to the newly-created role of Director of Power Electronics and Control Systems.

The appointment represents a strengthening of Saietta's core competence in developing power electronics, control systems and software. This in-house expertise, together with its modular range of efficient, compact and powerful axial flux and radial flux motors, enables Saietta to offer the optimal eDrive design tailored specifically to a vehicle manufacturer's precise requirements.

Bringing deep knowledge and experience in powertrain electrification across a range of sectors within the global automotive industry,



Chinmaya will be responsible for the development of electric motor controllers and vehicle control units and will play a pivotal role in driving forward Saietta's strategy of engineering increasingly sophisticated but cost-effective, flexible, eDrive systems for markets worldwide.

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