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Innoplate – A Schaeffler and Symbio Hydrogen Joint Venture

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Innoplate JV - Schaeffler and Symbio¹ join forces for the production of strategic fuel cell components

Innoplate Joint Venture

Innoplate is a 50/50 JV between Schaeffler AG and Symbio S.A.S.¹ for the industrialization and manufacturing of fuel cell bipolar plates - BPPs





A Schaeffler Symbio Hydrogen Company

Scale production capacity

Target: Around 50 mn fuel cell bipolar plates by 2030

Innoplate JV scope

JV to serve the fuel cell BPPs production needs of Schaeffler and Symbio¹, covering a broad range of mobility and energy solutions globally

¹ Symbio S.A.S. is a joint venture between Faurecia and Michelin



Site & Employees

First plant to be located in Haguenau, France, start of production in early 2024 Headcount: 40 employees initially, targeting > 120 in 2030 Technology proposition

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Metallic bipolar plate manufacturing – Combining Schaeffler's industrialization, forming and coating expertise







Strong expertise and proven excellence in the area of precise forming and stamping technologies

 Highly sophisticated bipolar plate coating system tailor made for hydrogen-specific applications



Deep process know-how for large scale production of bipolar plates

Highest quality and time-to-market standards to support future volume ramp-up to serve European and global automotive OEMs



The Innoplate JV further complements the growing eco-system

Schaeffler Automotive Technologies portfolio – Growing Schaeffler's New Business & its eco-system

of Schaeffler Automotive Technologies Mature Business **New Business** Acquisitions JVs **Collaborations** ELMOTEC STATOMAT Engine & Powertrainmobileye[®] **E-Mobility** specific Transmission Compact **Dynamics** INNOPLATE A Schaeffler Symbio Hydrogen Company Powertrain-SCHAEFFLER **Bearings** Chassis Systems PARAVAN agnostic XTRONIC

Hydrogen fuel cell bipolar plates are part of our New Business

A new step in the execution of our Automotive Technologies strategy

Rationale

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A compelling Franco-German cooperation – Fostering the hydrogen economy growth

Joint acceleration – The Innoplate JV will advance the mass-production of the next generation of bipolar plates, with enhanced performance and cost competitiveness for the entire proton exchange membrane (PEM) fuel cell market

High complementarity – Schaeffler's process know-how in industrialization and manufacturing
of bipolar plates and Symbio's longstanding experience in fuel cell systems development,
design and performance are both leveraged in this JV

Compelling business potential – For the first Symbio nomination from a leading European automotive OEM, the JV plans to supply the BPPs with start of production scheduled for early 2024

Strategic cooperation – Combine the know-how of leading European automotive suppliers – Symbio with its parents Faurecia and Michelin, and Schaeffler – who see vast potential in the developing hydrogen economy. Create one of the strongest European group of companies in the fuel cell components production With Innoplate, we advance together the future hydrogen economy

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