

UK's £23m grant to boost hydrogen fuel

The United Kingdom government has announced new funding worth £23 million to further develop hydrogen fuel structure and encourage more people to opt for hydrogen fuel cell vehicles.

The competition for funding, set to launch this summer, is open to hydrogen fuel providers who will bid in partnership with hydrogen vehicle makers.

In addition, the government has allocated more than £600 million for low emission vehicles and £390 million for ultra low emission vehicles and driverless cars as part of its plans to curb carbon emissions, improve air quality, and deliver economic opportunites for the country, according to a press release.

"We know availability of hydrogen refuelling infrastructure can be a potential obstacle to the take up of hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles. That's why we're providing support to give interested parties the confidence to continue to invest in this new emerging technology to help us achieve our ambition for almost all new cars and vans to be zero emission by 2040," said Transport Minister John Hayes.

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