

OMV, Ionity introduce first HPC system in Hungary

OMV Bábolna gas station (Hungary) will join Ionity's European e-chargers network, which expects to expand to 400 sites by the end of 2020.



Austrian oil and gas company OMV has equipped its Hungarian Bábolna gas station on the M1 motorway with the first HPC (high power charging) system in the entire Eastern Europe region, according to a press release.

The four chargers at the OMV station in Bábolna will be able to perform at 350 kW individually, while most regular and "super" chargers in Hungary are able to perform at 22-75 kW to date. Equipped by CCS2 European connectors, drained batteries may return to 80% power in 30-40 minutes, the press release notes.

The e-charging station by Ionity GmbH entered a test period at the end of May, reported Budapest Business Journal.

"In Austria we have already managed to create an excellent cooperation between Ionity and OMV,

hence we are glad to announce the launch of the new Hungarian unit," says Michael Hajesch, CEO of Ionity.

"We would like people to think of OMV as a real service center, where we cover all segments of products and services which those on the road need," says Tibor Balogh, CEO of OMV Hungária.

"Thanks to the development, vehicles using almost any drive system may be charged in a short time at Bábolna, which means a valuable ability on the domestic motorway network."