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Wireless Charging Station for E-Bikes Successful at the "365 Landmarks in the Land of Ideas" competition



# **Easy Wireless Charging for E-Bikes**

"RRC power solutions" wins the "365 Landmarks in the Land of Ideas" competition for the second time in a row

Homburg/Saar, April, 12 2011 – The wireless charging station for e-bikes from "RRC power solutions" is one of the award winners of the nationwide innovation competition "365 Landmarks in the Land of Ideas". With the wireless charging station, e-bike batteries can be efficiently and easily charged at many locations. The eco-friendly bikes receive their energy through induction, which means that the cables and plugs usually required for charging are no longer necessary. Power is transferred from the transmitter unit to the receiver unit through the air. Easy handling and weather resistance are some of the advantages here that can promote the establishment of e-bikes and charging stations. Marie-Therese Bettscheider from the Deutsche Bank in Saarbrücken awarded the inductive charging station the title of one of the "Selected Landmarks 2011". This makes "RRC power solutions" one of the 365 award winners awarded the prize this year by the initiative "Germany – Land of Ideas" in cooperation with the Deutsche Bank under the patronage of the Federal President Christian Wulff.

At the award ceremony, Marie-Therese Bettscheider emphasized: "The inductive charging station for e-bikes is an outstanding example of Germany's innovative power and, at the same time, symbolizes the modern and sustainable handling of resources."

Gerhard Ruffing, COO at RRC, commented on the prize: "We are very proud to have been chosen as one of the "Selected Landmarks" in the land of ideas for the second time. To have won this innovation prize twice is an acknowledgement to our innovative power and, above all, to our employees. Belonging to the best in a nationwide comparison is an incentive to continue our research with renewed strength."

The awards ceremony was part of an "Innovation Day" at RRC. In addition to the Minister of Economics and Science of the Saarland, Dr. Christoph Hartmann and the mayor of the city of Homburg, Klaus Roth, many guests from economics, politics, education and public life were given insight into innovative topics such as "Power Charging Stations for E-Bikes", "Intelligent Laboratory Technology for Biomedicine" from the Director of the Fraunhofer Institute in St. Ingbert, Prof. Dr. Günter R. Fuhr and "Innovations – Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow" from the Managing Director of the IHK, Volker Giersch.

"RRC power solutions is a prime example of successful technology transfer. In Saarland, innovation is a key factor for competitiveness. That is why I am especially pleased that companies such as RRC power solutions promote our strengths far beyond the borders of our region", said the Minister of Economics, Hartmann.







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After a tour through the different RRC laboratories, the guests had a chance to discuss the development of new "innovation networks" in a relaxed atmosphere during a "get together".

Of the 2,600 applications, the inductive charging station was able to convince the independent jury and represents Germany as a "Land of Ideas" with its future-oriented innovations. "Being an award winner in the competition "365 Landmarks in the Land of Ideas" is a mark of quality in all sectors. With great commitment and passion, the "Selected Landmarks" make innovation visible and give new impulses for our future", said Marie-Therese Bettscheider while explaining the Deutsche Bank's commitment to the initiative.



Award ceremony in their headquarters in Homburg, from left to right: Markus Ruth and Peter Wambsganss (RRC), Marie-Therese Bettscheider (Deutsche Bank), Gerhard Ruffing (RRC) and Minister Dr. Christoph Hartmann.







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#### Company profile of RRC power solutions GmbH

RRC power solutions GmbH, founded in 1989, is a leading company for high quality power supplies, batteries, battery charging and wireless power solutions for mobile and professional applications.

RRC develops, produces and delivers its electronic assemblies and products to leading original equipment manufacturers (OEMs) of medical devices, measuring instruments, military and portable computer technology worldwide. OEMs integrate RRC's solutions into their own devices or sell them as accessories. RRC is a popular choice for the industry thanks to its trendsetting technology.

The company and its R&D center are based in Homburg/Saar, Germany. Branch offices are located in Paris, Los Angeles, Hong Kong, Shenzhen as well as representative offices worldwide.

RRC utilizes technology to drive new ideas, products and developments. Its research and development (or just R&D) department creates the foundation for technological leadership.

In addition, RRC is certified according to DIN EN ISO 9001:2008 and DIN EN ISO 13485:2007 (manufacturer of medical devices).

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