

## **ACCIONA and Cepsa join forces to promote sustainable mobility through a network of battery exchangers**

- **The first battery exchanger under a joint project for Silence electric vehicles is now operational at a Cepsa station in Barcelona**

ACCIONA and Cepsa have reached an agreement to conduct a pilot program to develop a network of battery exchangers at Cepsa service stations for the electric vehicles manufactured by Silence, a subsidiary of the ACCIONA Group. Through this partnership, both companies will promote new models of sustainable mobility.

The first battery exchanger of the pilot plan, which calls for an initial development of 10 exchangers at 10 Cepsa stations including five in Barcelona and another five in Madrid over the coming months, is already available in the Catalan capital (C/ Comte d'Urgell, 219).

"Our goal with this initiative is to implement an extensive network of battery exchange service throughout the country as soon as possible to align with our purpose of accelerating decarbonization and reinforce our leadership in the 100% renewable electric mobility sector," said Carlos Sotelo, CEO of Silence. "With this pilot in Barcelona and Madrid, together with Cepsa, our users can access a battery exchange station within a 10 minute ride in both cities."

"At Cepsa, we are adapting to new forms of mobility as part of our ambition to become leaders in sustainable mobility and energy in Spain and Portugal," said Isabel Gorgoso, Cepsa's New Mobility director. "Through this new partnership, we will begin to offer micro-mobility services at our service stations: one more solution among the various sustainable mobility alternatives that we provide to our customers."

### **How it works**

Silence uses a removable battery system in its electric scooters that allows users to leave the empty battery at an exchange station, obtain another one that is fully charged, and continue their journey through a very fast replacement operation that only takes one minute, making this the fastest recharging system on the market. When the driver detects a low charge level, they can locate the nearest exchanger in the Silence *Battery Station* app and reserve a battery. Once there, they deposit their battery in an available charging point and take another that is fully charged.

Silence's batteries are also used in the Seat *Mó* electric scooters—by ACCIONA's subsidiary—and in ACCIONA's urban mobility service units. The same batteries will be part of the equipment of Silence's new two-seater car, the *SO4*. In addition, the service is open to any other brand that wishes to join the exchange system in the future.

To use the charging stations, Silence offers the option of buying the bike without a battery at a 40% lower price and taking out a monthly subscription. In addition to lowering the purchase

price, this option also saves the user from having to deal with battery maintenance, as Silence ensures that the batteries are always in perfect condition in their exchangers.

## Commitment

Cepsa, as part of its 2030 'Positive Motion' strategy, is working to become a reference in the energy transition in this decade. To this end, the company is becoming more focused on the needs of its customers, who also face their own decarbonization challenges.

As part of its commitment to sustainable mobility, the company is developing the largest ultra-fast charging network on the Peninsula, which will reach a minimum ratio of one 150kW charger every 200 kilometers on the main highways and interurban roads. In addition, in this decade, it will boost the demand for green hydrogen in road transport by installing refueling stations in the corridors connecting Spain with Europe.

Cepsa is also transforming its service stations, the second largest network in Spain and Portugal, into multi-mobility spaces. These digitized facilities will offer a wide variety of ultra-convenience and catering services, as well as different energy solutions.

Since October 2018, ACCIONA has had a shared urban mobility service with more than 12,000 electric scooters in Spanish and Italian cities. In 2021, ACCIONA acquired Silence, a leading European manufacturer of electric vehicles.

The decision to launch mobility services by ACCIONA, a leader in the development of sustainable infrastructure and renewable energy, is in line with the company's strategic commitment to offer solutions that accelerate the energy transition and the fight against the effects of climate change. ACCIONA has been a carbon neutral company since 2016.

**ACCIONA** is a global company and leader in providing regenerative solutions for a decarbonized economy. Its business offerings include renewable energy, water treatment and management, eco-efficient transportation and mobility systems, resilient infrastructures, etc. The company has been carbon neutral since 2016. ACCIONA recorded sales of €8.104 billion in 2021 and has a business presence in more than 60 countries.

**Silence** is the leading manufacturer of electric motorcycles in Europe. For ten years, it has been designing, developing, and manufacturing electric scooters and rechargeable batteries with its own technology. Silence has an extensive sales network in Spain and Europe. Its clients include brands such as ACCIONA, Seat, B:SM, Madrid and Barcelona City Councils, among others. Silence is part of the ACCIONA Group.

**Cepsa** is a leading international company committed to sustainable mobility and energy with strong technical expertise after more than 90 years of activity. It also has a global Chemicals business with world leading positions and a progressive green plan.

The company presented in 2022 its new strategy for 2030, Positive Motion, projecting its ambition to be a leader in sustainable mobility, biofuels, and green hydrogen in Spain and Portugal and a key benchmark in the Energy Transition. Cepsa puts customers at the heart of its activity and will work with them to help design and achieve their decarbonization efforts.

ESG criteria inspire everything the Company does as it advances toward its goal to become Net Positive. This decade, Cepsa will reduce its Scope 1 and 2 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 55% and the carbon intensity index of its energy products, which includes Scope 1, 2 & 3, by 15-20%, with the goal of reaching net zero emissions by 2050.



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