

UK firms showcase the future of mobility at Frankfurt Motor Show

The Department for International Trade (DIT) will support some of the UK's most innovative automotive businesses to exhibit for the first time at the Frankfurt Motor Show, taking place from the 10 to 15 September.

In the 'New Mobility World' hall, UK companies will showcase new emission-free and sustainable technologies, ranging from Oxbotica's parking software and the electric Swifty Scooter, to the London EV Company Limited's iconic, electric black cabs.

With more than £2bn invested by the UK Government in the automotive industry, the UK offers the ideal place to develop and manufacture future generations of electrified, low-carbon, lightweight and connected vehicles.

Other UK companies attending the show include, AMPLYFI, AVID Technology, AppyParking, EXEROS Technologies, Global Design Solutions (GDS), Gordon Murray Design, McLaren Applied Technologies and Reflexal.

Graham Stuart, Minister for Investment at the Department for International Trade said:

We're proud of the UK's cutting edge automotive supply chain and its contribution to more sustainable transport, not only in Europe, but across the world.

We are already home to Nissan's volume battery factory for electric vehicles in Sunderland – the first in Europe, and Toyota's European centre for the production of Hybrid Powertrains, while the Jaguar I-Pace was the first electric car designed in Europe.

We believe collaboration and partnership are essential to meeting our common transport challenges and are delighted to bring UK and German expertise together.

We continue to work with partners around the world as the industry embarks on the transition to a zero-emission, connected and autonomous future.

DIT will be hosting a reception with up to 120 senior automotive executives from around the world.

The UK boasts an advanced market for automotive manufacture and is one of the leading locations for the testing of self-driving cars. It was also the first to create a legal framework for the use of autonomous cars on all UK roads and to issue regulations for the insurance of these vehicles. The UK is also home to the world's largest motorsport cluster – representing 6 of the 10 Formula One teams.

The UK and Germany are long-standing trade and investment partners with bilateral trade accounting for more than £130bn in 2018. The UK remains the number one investment destination in Europe and of the total £573bn invested in the UK by the EU, Germany accounts for £63bn. In turn, the UK has invested FDI stock of £23bn in Germany. Together UK and German companies employ over 1m people across both countries.

Celebrating life at BPDTS

Our Chief Executive Loveday Ryder launches a series of updates on how we're building a culture of innovation, learning, empowerment and purpose and what it's like to work here at BPDTS.

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What we do

Here at BPDTS we provide digital technology services to the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP). Our digital, data and technology specialists work closely with experts across DWP Digital to help transform services used by millions of people each and every day.

Making a difference

As public servants, the services we help deliver make a difference to people at critical times in their lives – as they look for work, deal with illness or disability, support children after separation, or plan for retirement. Operating on a large scale, our people use their expertise, diversity and passion to create effortless, secure and intuitive digital services.

New ways of working

In return, we offer our people the chance to think big, try new ways of working and use their expertise to deliver change on a massive scale. The way we work is as vital as what we do. We aim to be an organisation with a

distinctive culture and feel – making the most of the public service culture we share with the civil service and blending it with the flexibility and opportunities we have as a new and evolving company.

Culture and values

At BPDTS, we recognise that organisational culture is vital for the success of our company, our customers and our people. We're involving all our colleagues in the process to shape our culture, with a focus on key themes including customer value, leadership, community, organisational identity, development and career progression. Everything we do is underpinned by our [POISE values \(Pride, Opportunity, Inclusivity, Simplicity and Expertise\)](#).

We want to continue to thrive and adapt to change over the coming years and ensure we have highly-motivated colleagues as well as attracting the best people to join us in the future.

Sharing #LifeatBPDTS

We've come a long way since we began in 2016 and we've grown rapidly over the last 12 months. We're rightly proud of what we've achieved and we want to tell our story. Over the next few months BPDTS colleagues will share updates on how we're building a culture of innovation, learning, empowerment and purpose and what it's like to work here.

We'll focus on how we're working together to:

- shape our culture
- work smarter to deliver the best outcomes
- champion diversity and inclusion
- develop all our people as leaders
- put colleagues' health and wellbeing at the forefront of all we do
- make a difference to charities near our digital hubs through volunteering

We'll be posting here on GOV.UK and also sharing via social media using #LifeatBPDTS. Follow us on Twitter [@BPDTS_Ltd](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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53 talented Pakistanis were formally awarded Chevening scholarships today by the British High Commissioner Thomas Drew CMG.. These scholarships are for the academic year 2019/20.

The scholars were selected through a highly competitive process and will shortly proceed to the UK to study a one year master's programme, fully funded by the UK government. For the 2019/20 intake, over 3000 mid-career professionals applied for the scheme from across Pakistan.

The High Commissioner presented the scholars with a certificate confirming their award and wished them success in the coming year.

The event was attended by Chevening scholars, officials from the British High Commission and members of the Chevening alumni.

The British High Commissioner to Pakistan, Thomas Drew CMG said:

I would like to congratulate the 53 new Chevening scholars on their achievement. Chevening is a unique experience, allowing scholars to study at some of the world's most prestigious universities, to boost their career prospects and network with scholars from around the world.

The scholars will now join an influential network of nearly Chevening 2000 alumni, many of whom are leaders in their respective fields.

Our Chevening scholars always make the most of their time in the UK. Along with their studies, they are able to explore British culture and values, heritage and history. On their return to Pakistan, they will come back with new perspectives, a wealth of connections and a rich experience that will further strengthen the links between our two countries.

The scholars have chosen courses at the UK's top universities including the London School of Economics and Political Science, Oxford University, SOAS, University of London, King's College London, the University of Sussex, the University of Warwick, the University of Leeds and Queen Mary University London among many others.

Applications for Chevening Scholarships to study in the UK in 2020/2021 are open between 5th August and 5th November 2019. To find out more about eligibility and to apply, visit www.chevening.org/scholarships

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More information on the Chevening Programme and Fellowships is available at www.chevening.org/pakistan. The online application window is open from 5th August until 5th November 2019 to receive applications for the academic year 2020/21.

Chevening Scholarships are awarded to individuals with demonstrable leadership potential who also have strong academic backgrounds and a strong vision for the future. The scholarship offers full financial support to study for any eligible master's degree at any UK university whilst also giving access to a wide range of exclusive academic, professional, and cultural experiences.

The Chevening Scholarships are funded by the UK's Foreign and Commonwealth Office, and administered by the Association of Commonwealth Universities London.

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