

# Indo-German Exchange on technical cooperation in the Automotive sector

Thursday, 17 October 2019, 10:00 to 13:30  
New Delhi, The LaLiT

Dear Stakeholders,

We are delighted to invite you to the **Indo-German Exchange on technical cooperation in the Automotive sector** on **17 October 2019** in New Delhi.

The automotive industry is crucial to the German and Indian economies. Both countries are therefore working together in the automotive sector to find innovative solutions, contribute to safer, cleaner and more efficient mobility, and facilitate technical market access. Within the framework of the Indo-German Working Group on Quality Infrastructure, aspects such as standards, technical regulations, and market surveillance are being discussed.

We invite you to participate in a workshop with representatives from government, standardisation bodies, and industry on aspects of **homologation, scrapping of vehicles, after-market parts, and charging infrastructure for electric vehicles**.

The exchange is being held under the framework of the **Indo-German Working Group on Quality Infrastructure** between the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy (BMWi) and the Indian Ministry for Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution. The Working Group has the goal to reduce technical barriers to trade and strengthen product safety through the political dialogue of relevant ministries and regulators. As part of the Global Project Quality Infrastructure of BMWi, GIZ – the German Agency for International Cooperation – supports the implementation of the Working Group in India on behalf of the German ministry. The exchange is organised by GIZ in cooperation with the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in New Delhi and the German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA). The results complement the work of the Indo-German Working Group on Automotive.

We would be pleased to welcome you to the event and are looking forward to an interesting discussion. Please use our [online registration form](http://www.gpqi.org) on [www.gpqi.org](http://www.gpqi.org) to register for the event.

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09:30 – 10:00	<b>Registration</b>
10:00 – 11:00	<b>Inaugural</b>
	<p><b>Opening remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global Project Quality Infrastructure (GPQI), GIZ</li> <li>• <b>Dr R.K. Bajaj</b>, Deputy Director General Standardization, Bureau of Indian Standards, tbc</li> <li>• <b>Mr Ralf Diemer</b>, Head of Department Economic, Trade and Climate, Protection Policy, Co-ordination of European Affairs, German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA)</li> <li>• <b>Mr Pravin Agrawal</b>, Joint Secretary, Department of Heavy Industry, Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises, tbc</li> <li>• <b>Mr Alexander Stedtfeld</b>, Economic Counsellor, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany</li> <li>• <b>Mr Priyank Bharti</b>, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways, tbc</li> </ul>
11:00 – 11:15	<b>Technical Session</b>
	<p><b>“Automotive Indian standards – Formulation Mechanism of Indian Standards and Harmonization with UN – R”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Marius Ochel</b>, Project Officer Germany – India, German Association of the Automotive Industry (VDA), tbc</li> </ul>
11:15 – 11:30	<b>Tea Break</b>
11:30 – 12:30	<b>Technical Session (continued)</b>
	<p><b>“Regulations and Standards for scrapping of vehicles in Germany”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mr Dirk Schlage</b>, Automotive expert</li> </ul> <p><b>“After-market parts – Exchange in implementation in India and Germany”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Representative from Bosch, tbc</li> </ul> <p><b>“Charging infrastructure for electric vehicles”</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charging Interface Initiative e.V., tbc</li> </ul> <p><b>5 minutes of Q&amp;A after each presentation</b></p>
12:30 – 13:15	<b>Moderated discussion on “Future topics of cooperation for the Indo-German Working Group on Quality Infrastructure in automotive sector”</b>
13:15 – 13:30	<p><b>Summarising and closing remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Global Project Quality Infrastructure (GPQI), GIZ</li> </ul>
13:30 onwards	<b>Lunch</b>