

PRESS RELEASE

166 new Be Charge charging points in the province of Biella thanks to Ener.Bit

After the award of the contract last year, the agreement between Be Charge and Ener.Bit enters the operational phase for the construction of a capillary charging network for electric vehicles with 83 charging stations throughout the province.

Biella, January 14, 2021 - Be Charge, in collaboration with Ener.Bit - a subsidiary of the Province of Biella - has launched the project to install **83 stations for 166 charging points** in the province of Biella for charging electric cars. The new Piedmontese electrification project represents an important step in Be Charge's development strategy. During today's press conference, the agreement signed between Ener.Bit and Be Charge was illustrated, which will allow the Province of Biella to be equipped with a vast and capillary charging infrastructure in a short time and without resorting to public funds. Be Charge has chosen to invest through the Biella-based subsidiary, in the development of the province by guaranteeing the installation of Quick Charge (22 kW alternating current) and Hyper Charge (direct current up to 300 kW) charging stations as it is already doing in other Italian Municipalities and Provinces.

*"Our development plan - commented **Roberto Colicchio**, Head of Business Development of Be Charge - is ambitious: we plan to install around 30,000 charging points throughout the country in the next 3-5 years which will supply energy 100% from renewable sources, for a total investment of over 150 million euros. We are already well underway with over 3,500 charging points already installed and as many already authorized. The project in the province of Biella with Ener.Bit is unique of its kind because, for the first time in Italy, several municipal administrations belonging to the same territory have decided together to equip themselves with a widespread recharging network to encourage the advent of mobility electric. We hope that in the future many other Municipalities will make the same far-sighted choices and we are available to replicate similar projects also in other areas of Italy; contacting us is very simple through the sections dedicated to municipal administrations on our website ».*

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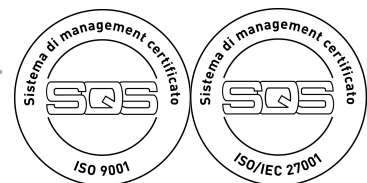
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*"A great opportunity for the area - explains **Paolo Maggia**, President of Ener.Bit - from the foresight of Ener.Bit the idea of a unique study in Italy developed in collaboration with the Polytechnic of Turin for planning on a provincial scale was born. This great project is part of a strategy aimed at developing the Biella area according to the philosophy of the Smart City, to be sustainable and efficient and to give life to an "intelligent" area, which helps make life simple, easy and dynamic to citizens and tourists on vacation in our wonderful territory. Be Charge undertakes to finance the construction, maintenance and technological procurement of the infrastructure, guaranteeing the recognition of a fee also in favor of the Municipalities on which the columns envisaged by the project will be installed. We submitted the project to the municipal administrations, collecting their support in order to proceed with the construction of the first columns in the coming months ».*

How to get a public recharge network - The benefits for municipalities and citizens

Having a recharging network for electric vehicles is an ideal tool for municipalities and provinces to become a pole of attraction for the "electric community", which is constantly growing in our country. The creation of a capillary recharge network does not require any use of public funds as the investments are made by the private partner operator of the Municipality or the Province, as are the operating costs.

The charging network becomes a "hub" around which it is possible to develop new traditional and / or innovative economic activities (eg car sharing services, sustainable tourism, commercial activities). Municipalities will also be able to monitor the use and status of the columns and use the (anonymous) recharging data to learn more about their traffic flows, thus improving the "environmental sustainability report" on their territory and improving air quality. .

For the citizen, a capillary charging network constitutes a strong incentive to buy an electric vehicle that can be recharged - without anxiety about autonomy - in a simple and fast way thanks to the highly digitized service integrated with navigation services. Citizens will be able to move more easily on the national territory using a recharging network compatible with that of their Municipality of residence, also benefiting from the discounts / promotions that commercial activities near the columns will want to offer in the form of digital coupons to be used during the time charging.

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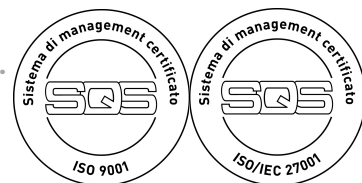
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Be Charge present throughout Italy

Be Charge interacts throughout the country with both public administrations and private entities (large and small) with public access car parks such as large-scale distribution (GDO), restaurant chains, hotels, sports centers, etc. Following the principles of reliability, interoperability, capillarity and resilience, Be Charge aims to install the right column in the right place: Quick Charge of 22 kW in urban areas and Hyper Charge up to 300 kW DC in suburban areas. Among the various installations Be Charge has created - and is about to install - numerous charging points (including fast charge) in some large Italian municipalities such as Turin (over 300 charging points), Milan (309), Rome (320), Bologna (216) and Rimini (100). In the ANM interchange parking lots in Naples, Be Charge will install 120 charging stations (240 charging points) with a private-public tender. The first 30 recharging points have been installed in Bologna out of 216 planned and other projects have been approved or are in the approval phase for the installation of additional recharging points. Treviso can count on 94 recharging points installed and operational.

As evidence of the capillarity of the Be Charge network, the municipalities affected by the installation of recharging points concern large, medium and small municipalities, from the Center-North (Tortona, Pesaro, Chieti, Pescara, Sassuolo), to the South (Termini Imerese, Marsala, Monopoli, Cerignola), as well as consortia of municipalities such as Consvipo, Consortium for the development of Polesine, the most beautiful villages in Sicily and the municipalities of the Aosta Valley. In its development plan Be Charge has found the support of various local utilities such as, for example, Ascotrade (Veneto) and CVA (Valle d'Aosta) with which strong partnerships have been established for the coverage of the reference territories with the active development of the network, as well as with operators of large electric fleets such as, for example, E-Vai in Lombardy, and other partners throughout the national territory (ie Sicily by Car). The development of the network is continuing with the aim of covering the whole territory. Be Charge has already reached agreements for the supply of infrastructure for charging electric vehicles with the municipalities of Parma (50 charging points), Biella and its province (106), Grosseto (25), Cesenatico (20) and Piacenza.

30,000 Be Charge charging points over the next 3-5 years

Be Charge is an integrated operator for electric mobility that will allow owners of electric vehicles to recharge throughout the country through its public charging infrastructure. Be Charge's industrial plan provides for the installation throughout the country of about 30,000 charging points over the next 3-5 years that will supply 100% energy from renewable sources, for a total investment of over 150 million euros. Customer service is completely digitized both in the processes and in the interface thanks to a dedicated App. The Be Charge App covers the entire national network, is easy to use, allows smart charging, electronic payment by showing the availability of charging points in real time and keeping the history of top-ups and related payments made. All charging stations are also monitored 24/7 by a dedicated help desk.

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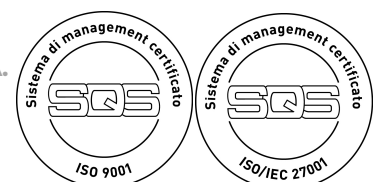
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How to recharge

To recharge at the Be Charge charging stations, simply install and register on the "Be Charge" App which can be downloaded for free from the Google Play and Apple App Store AppStores. Through the App it is also possible to view the map of all the Be Charge charging stations in the area, check the availability in real time and the type of socket of the various charging points, as well as the price in € / kWh delivered. The cost of recharging will be directly charged to the credit card associated with the user's account. If the device is equipped with a navigator (Google Maps or Apple Maps) it is also possible to obtain driving instructions to reach the individual charging stations. Once the recharge has been activated, its progress can be monitored directly from the App. The call center is always available 24/7 at 02-87119401.

For the protection of its customers, Be Charge recommends that you follow all the indications and requirements provided by ISS in similar activities, both before starting a charging session and when refueling is finished, such as the use of disposable gloves.

Be Charge is a company of the Be Power S.p.A. Group dedicated to spreading the charging infrastructure for electric mobility. Be Charge is developing one of the largest and most widespread public charging infrastructure networks for electric vehicles in Italy to make a decisive contribution to the development of a sustainable mobility system. Thanks to an internally developed and technologically advanced platform, Be Charge is able to offer an efficient charging service to all owners of electric vehicles, and to recharge throughout the country. Within the sector supply chain, Be Charge plays both the role of manager and owner of the charging infrastructure network (CPO - Charge Point Operator) and that of supplier of charging and electric mobility services that interfaces with vehicle users electrical (EMSP - Electric Mobility Service Provider). The Be Charge charging stations are in alternating current from 22 kW, and in direct current up to 300 kW. Be Charge's industrial plan envisages the installation in the next few years of around 30,000 charging points that will supply 100% green energy from renewable sources.

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