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## UTA Edenred expands Europe-wide HVO100 network to over 1,800 stations

- HVO100 diesel can now be found at UTA acceptance network stations in 15 countries
- HVO100 helps reduce emissions from combustion engine fleets

**Kleinostheim, Germany –** <u>UTA Edenred</u>, a leading mobility service provider in Europe and an Edenred company, continues to expand its acceptance network for Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO), a sustainable alternative to conventional diesel fuel. HVO100 is now available to UTA customers at over 1,800 fuel stations across 15 European countries.

UTA Edenred's HVO100 network includes Germany, Austria, the Netherlands, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Ireland, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Sweden. This means that transportation companies can continuously refuel their vehicles with HVO100 on journeys through Europe using their UTA Cards and thus improve the carbon footprint of their routes.

**Lukas Schneider, Commercial Director EMEA at UTA Edenred, says:** "We not only make mobility easier for customers throughout Europe but also help them become more environmentally compliant. Our vast, growing HVO100 network contributes significantly to this."

## **Advantages of HVO**

Obtained from industrial and agricultural fat and oil residues, HVO is a sustainable alternative to fossil diesel. It has almost identical chemical properties to fossil diesel and can be mixed with conventional diesel in different concentrations. The cetane number, which indicates the ignitability of diesel fuel, is higher for HVO than for fossil diesel. This means that HVO ignites and burns faster and cleaner, which boosts engine performance, reduces fuel consumption and cuts emissions. HVO also features good cold-starting properties, making it suitable for cold temperature applications.

In pure form – known as HVO100 – the fuel enables a reduction in  $CO_2$  emissions by up to 90 per cent compared to fossil diesel when the entire life cycle, including production, is considered. With these properties, HVO100 can enable significant environmental improvement in vehicle fleets equipped with combustion engines.

In principle, HVO100 and HVO blends can serve as direct replacements for conventional diesel; no technical conversion of vehicles is necessary. However, a vehicle manufacturer's approval must be checked before use.





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**UNION TANK Eckstein GmbH & Co. KG (UTA Edenred)** is a leading European mobility service provider. With UTA Edenred acceptance media, commercial fleet operators of all sizes can access more than 88,000 acceptance points in 40 countries. They can enjoy benefits such as cash-free access to conventional and alternative fuels independent of brand; a comprehensive EV charging offer with a rapidly growing charging network for electric and hybrid vehicles; electronic toll settlement in 27 European countries; vehicle services such as breakdown, towing, repair, and cleaning; and VAT and fuel tax refunds through UTA Edenred's service provider partner. In addition, through UTA Edenred's digital platform, customers can access state-of-the-art software for fuel planning, fleet management and telematics as well as a digital fuel card for fast, convenient handling of refuelling via smartphone.

In 2024 - for the fourth year running - UTA Edenred was voted "Best fuel card service provider for SMEs" (ranking by WirtschaftsWoche magazine/ServiceValue) and received the German B2B Award from the German Society for Consumer Studies. Founded in 1963 by Heinrich Eckstein, UTA Edenred is today part of Edenred SE.

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**Edenred** is a leading digital platform for services and payments and the everyday companion for people at work, connecting 60 million users and 2 million partner merchants in 45 countries via close to 1 million corporate clients. Edenred offers specific-purpose payment solutions for food (such as meal benefits), incentives (such as gift cards, employee engagement platforms), mobility (such as multi-energy, maintenance, toll, parking and commuter solutions) and corporate payments (such as virtual cards).

True to the Group's purpose, "Enrich connections. For good.", these solutions enhance users' well-being and purchasing power. They improve companies' attractiveness and efficiency, and vitalize the employment market and the local economy. They also foster access to healthier food, more environmentally friendly products and sustainable mobility.

Edenred's 12,000 employees are committed to making the world of work a connected ecosystem that is safer, more efficient and more responsible every day.

In 2023, thanks to its global technology assets, the Group managed €41 billion in business volume, primarily carried out via mobile applications, online platforms and cards.

Edenred is listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange and included in the following indices: CAC 40, CAC 40 ESG, CAC Large 60, Euronext 100, Euronext Tech Leaders, FTSE4Good and MSCI Europe.

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