



## **Fiat Chrysler Automobiles Nominates ZF as Supplier for New 8-Speed Automatic Transmission**

- **ZF to deliver 8-speed-transmission for rear-wheel drive and all-wheel drive vehicles with front-longitudinal drive configuration**
- **Significant share of hybrid transmissions included**
- **Second largest single order for latest generation of ZF's 8-speed automatic transmission**

**Friedrichshafen / Amsterdam. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles N.V. (FCA) has nominated ZF Friedrichshafen AG as global transmission supplier for rear-wheel drive and all-wheel drive vehicles with front-longitudinal drive configuration. ZF will then supply the new 8-speed automatic transmission. This is the second largest single order in ZF's history. The latest version of ZF's 8-speed transmission has been further optimized and features an integrated electric drive for hybrid variants.**

"We are pleased being nominated as global transmission supplier by FCA. This is our second major order for the new 8HP and it confirms our strategy to focus on plug-in hybrids as an every-day solution and to develop attractive products in these areas", says ZF-CEO Wolf-Henning Scheider.

The lead production facility for the new (and fourth) transmission generation, which will start series production in 2022, will be ZF's plant in Saarbruecken. The company also plans to start production of the technology at further locations including the USA and China in the future.

### **Optimized for electrification**

The new 8-speed automatic transmission could be installed in almost all vehicle segments with a front-longitudinal drive configuration. A technical innovation of the upgraded transmission is the integration of the electric drive. With this, ZF supports its customers in achieving their CO<sub>2</sub> reduction goals. With this modular transmission concept,



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manufacturers will be able to easily change from one transmission variant to another which gives them the flexibility to react to market requirements.

The nomination also highlights the importance of ZF's global production network. Only three months ago, ZF signed a first contract for the delivery of the latest generation 8HP to BMW which then marked the largest single order in ZF's history.

Caption:

Fiat Chrysler Automobiles has nominated ZF as global transmission supplier for rear-wheel drive and all-wheel drive vehicles with front-longitudinal drive configuration. ZF will then supply the new 8-speed automatic transmission.

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ZF continually enhances its systems in the areas of digital connectivity and automation in order to allow vehicles to see, think and act.



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In 2018, ZF achieved sales of €36.9 billion. The company has a global workforce of 149,000 with approximately 230 locations in 40 countries. ZF invests over six percent of its sales in research and development annually.

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