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## Media Kit

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STAGES

Three stages featuring strategic  
keynotes and technical sessions

10.000

PARTICIPANTS

From industry experts and participants  
throughout the eMobility ecosystem

60+

SPEAKERS

Over 60 global thought leaders are sharing  
their insights and innovations

From its relatively small beginning as a mix of hackathon meets and start-up showcases in 2011, the interchange network conference (icnc) has evolved to become the premier B2B event for the EV charging industry.

Now in its 15th year, we are expecting up to 10,000 people from all corners of the EV charging community to participate in icnc26, including top charge point operators, eMobility providers, EV equipment manufacturers, startups, government officials, infrastructure providers, tech companies, and fleet operators.

Following incredible growth, this year's event returns to Berlin's iconic Tempelhof Airport. It is one of the few venues in Berlin able to host an event of this size, and it has been icnc's home for years. Its important historical role as a major transport hub and home to the Berlin Formula-E makes it the perfect setting for an event that represents the future of transportation.

There is something for everyone regardless of where your interest lies in the EV charging industry. icnc26 features insightful talks from industry leaders, an expanded innovation zone showcasing cutting-edge charging hardware and EV connectivity solutions, and demos and presentations on current and future standards at the tech village.



## Collaboration at Scale

# Establishing the Open Smart Charging Ecosystem Vision

The global adoption of EVs continued to accelerate in 2025, with sales reaching 20.7 million units worldwide, roughly a 20% increase from the previous year and nearly one in four new car purchases globally. China remains the largest market by volume, with EVs surpassing 50% of domestic sales, while Europe accounts for around a quarter of the global market, driven by tightening CO<sub>2</sub> regulations and incentive programs. Growth in the United States has been more measured, with EVs representing between 7% and 10% of new vehicle sales. Charging infrastructure is scaling accordingly.

Nearly 1.8 million public charging points were added globally in 2025, a 33% increase that brought the total stock to more than 7 million units worldwide. Europe's network continues to expand rapidly across urban and long-distance corridors. This progress benefits stakeholders across the EV value chain, drivers seeking dependable alternatives to internal combustion, and the environment.

As adoption grows, so do expectations. The industry must now look beyond deployment to deliver charging experiences that meet the needs of a broader, more mainstream customer base. A 2025 J.D. Power study found that 14% of EV owners visited a charger without successfully charging their vehicle, down from 19% the year before, but still meaning that roughly one in seven charging attempts fails. Similar challenges exist in other markets. Charger anxiety remains a key concern among drivers considering the switch to electric. Infrastructure availability alone is no longer enough; experience quality and reliability now matter just as much.

This is why icnc26's theme is:

### **COLLABORATION AT SCALE: ESTABLISHING THE OPEN SMART CHARGING ECOSYSTEM.**

The path to widespread adoption depends on giving drivers clarity, control, and confidence through clear pricing, seamless payments, and chargers that simply work. As charging volumes grow, the next frontier extends beyond reliable charging alone to smart charging, vehicle-to-grid integration, and the deeper convergence of mobility and energy systems. Creating that experience requires the entire ecosystem, automakers, operators, utility companies, software providers, and regulators, to collaborate on shared, open solutions at a scale not yet seen. Charging must become intuitive, not intimidating, and the systems behind it must work together rather than in isolation.

Over three days, eMobility thought leaders will explore what it takes to build an open, smart charging ecosystem at scale, covering Plug&Charge, vehicle-to-grid, energy integration, fleet electrification, and the practical reliability solutions that keep drivers confident. If the industry aligns on collaboration as a shared priority, it can remove one of the final barriers to mass adoption.

Now in its third year at Berlin's historic Tempelhof Airport, icnc26 will once again bring together voices from every corner of the EV charging ecosystem, with 10,000 participants expected. AMPECO returns as Platinum Sponsor for the third consecutive year, reinforcing its commitment to advancing the EV charging industry through openness and innovation.

To learn more or secure your place at icnc26, visit:  
[www.intercharge-network-conference.com](http://www.intercharge-network-conference.com)



# About Hubject

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Simplifying electric vehicle charging through the world's largest eMobility network. The eRoaming platform connects original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), charge point operators (CPOs), and eMobility service providers (eMSPs) to provide standardized access to charging infrastructure regardless of network. With over 1,100,000 connected charging points and more than 3,500 B2B partners across 75+ countries and four continents.

As a trusted consulting partner for the eMobility sector, the company advises automotive manufacturers, charging providers, and other EV-related businesses looking to launch eMobility services or implement Plug&Charge. This now includes a dedicated ISO15118-20 service portfolio, spanning a tailored advisory and roadmap phase, hands-on implementation guidance, and independent certification testing at the Hubject Testing Facility, giving operators, vehicle manufacturers and EVSE manufacturers the proof of compliance they need to build trust with partners and regulators alike.

In 2025, Hubject became a Full Contributor to the EVRoaming Foundation, adding native support for the Open Charge Point Interface (OCPI) alongside its existing OICP protocol on the interchange platform. This dual-protocol approach gives charging networks and eMobility providers added flexibility to connect, operate, and scale across networks regardless of which roaming protocol they use.

In 2025, a major industry milestone was achieved when Hubject Financial Services, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hubject, became the first eMobility company to receive a payment institution license from BaFin, the German Financial Supervisor. This regulatory breakthrough enables fully integrated financial services alongside proven interoperability technology, allowing partners to focus on growing their networks while the underlying financial infrastructure is managed with complete regulatory compliance.

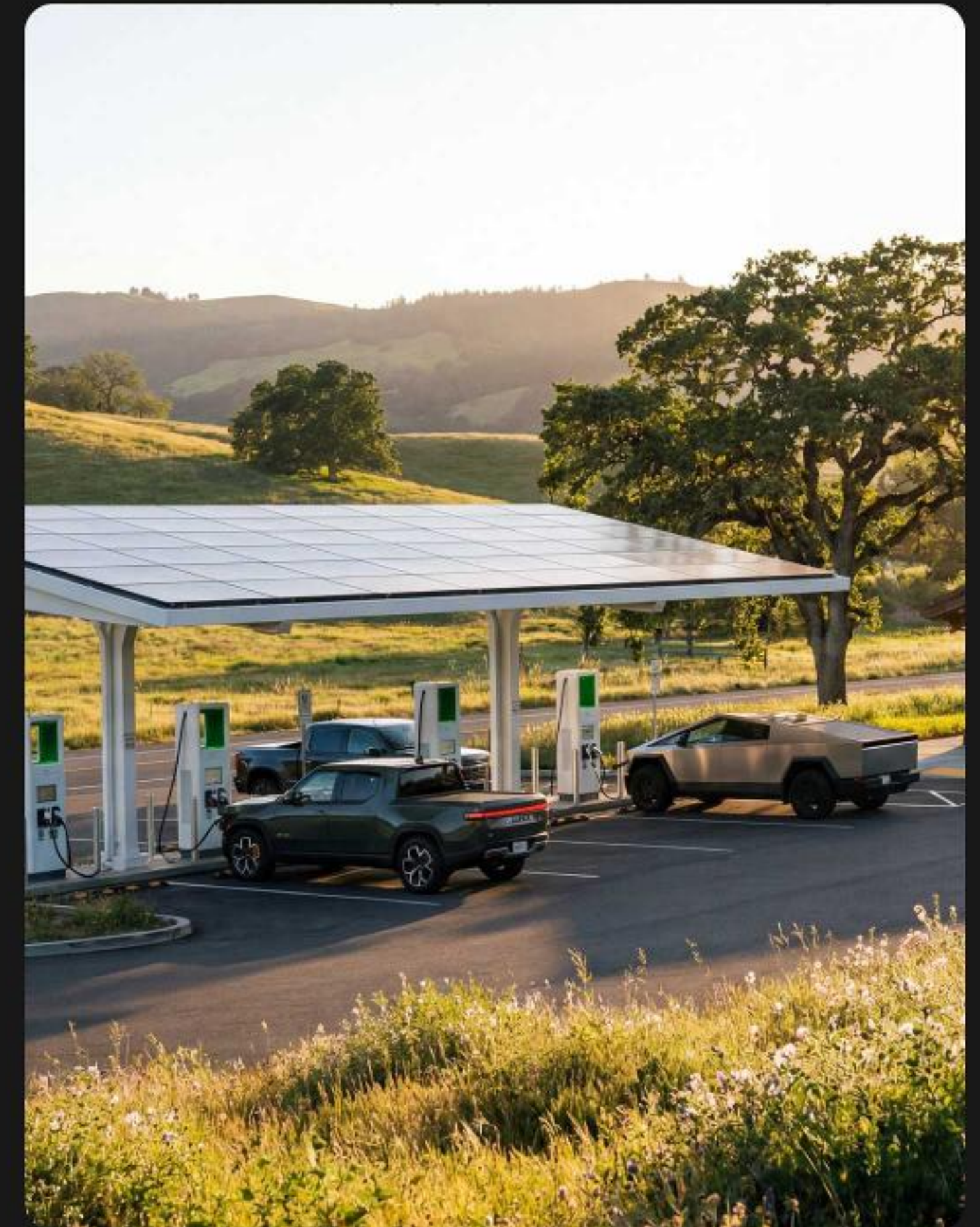
The adoption of Plug&Charge technology has also expanded, with more partners and networks implementing the seamless authentication solution that transforms the charging experience from complex to effortless.

Founded in 2012 through a joint venture of the BMW Group, Bosch, EnBW, Enel X Way, E.ON, Mercedes-Benz, Siemens, and the Volkswagen Group to design, develop and implement a borderless eRoaming solution.

Global headquarters in Berlin, with North American and Asia Pacific subsidiaries in Los Angeles and Shanghai.

For more information: [www.hubject.com](https://www.hubject.com)

**CELEBRATING OVER 1,100,000  
CONNECTED CHARGING POINTS!**





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**Christian Hahn**

HUBJECT

CEO

Christian Hahn is CEO of HUBJECT, the solution enabling the world's largest interoperable charging network for electric vehicles. HUBJECT connects over 1 million charging points and 3,000 B2B partners across 70+ countries, making Christian one of the most connected and influential figures shaping how the global eMobility ecosystem functions. He focuses on the strategic and future technological challenges of building collaborative infrastructure in a fragmented market — the foundational work that accelerates EV adoption and makes electric mobility practical and seamless for millions of drivers.

Christian brings deep expertise in energy sector transformation, shaped by six years at PricewaterhouseCoopers Berlin where he specialized in strategy and business development for energy companies, smart grids, and intelligent networks. He started working on electric vehicle projects in 2008, making him one of the industry's earliest pioneers. This background positions him to speak credibly about where energy systems, transportation infrastructure, and business strategy intersect in eMobility.

He holds a master's degree in industrial engineering, with emphasis on environmental and power technology alongside change management. The combination proves relevant daily in an industry where technical innovation and organizational transformation happen simultaneously.



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**Carsten Puhl**

HUBJECT

CEO OF HUBJECT FINANCIAL SERVICES

Carsten Puhl Graduated from Saarland University, Germany, where he studied information sciences, English literature, and American studies. He began his career at Mobile City GmbH as data protection before becoming chief operating officer at Wirelance GmbH, where his primary focus was on mobile parking solutions, electromobility services and data security. Carsten joined the HUBJECT Consulting Team as a senior consultant in March 2018. In January 2019 he was promoted to chief technology officer and member of the board of directors where he was responsible for product and software development. In January 2023 he was made director of financial services for HUBJECT where his main focus was on financial regulations. He held this position until May 2024 when he was appointed as managing director of the newly-formed HUBJECT Financial Services.



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**Trishan Peruma**

HUBJECT

CEO OF HUBJECT NORTH AMERICA

Trishan Peruma is the CEO of HUBJECT North America, leading operations across the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. He oversees the growth of HUBJECT's Plug&Charge ecosystem and Intercharge eRoaming network while advising on product and consulting strategy. With over 12 years of global experience in energy and eMobility, Trishan has held leadership roles at Shell, Pod Point, and ViriCiti.

He has led EV charging software and infrastructure projects with major transit agencies, including LA Metro, the Toronto Transit Commission, and the Chicago Transit Authority. Trishan holds a Master's in International Law from the University of Sydney, with a focus on energy and climate policy, and a Bachelor of Business from Monash University.



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