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BASE Project kicks-off: a journey towards innovation and sustainability



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The BASE Project kick-off meeting was held on 30-31 July in Berlin, Germany, hosted by the Project Coordinator Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft. 'BASE' stands for the 'Battery Passport for Resilient Supply Chain and Implementation of Circular Economy'. The main goal of the BASE project is to develop, validate, and implement a working Digital Battery Passport (DBP) service, as mandated by the <u>EU Regulation</u>. This will be achieved by exploiting data collected through a variety of constantly evolving tools and methods, ensuring a transparent, secure, and cost-efficient platform operation while also catalysing the growth of circular businesses.

The BASE kick-off meeting was attended by its <u>consortium members</u> including the project coordinator (Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft), fourteen beneficiaries (BeePlanet Factory; Adscensus, MB; Parakeet BV; INND Batteries B.V.; Ford Otosan; Artech International; Corvus Energy; Mercedes-Benz Türk; Seraph Consulting Ltd.; ROK Metals SARL; ASPILSAN Enerji; NAVTEK Deniz Teknolojisi A.Ş.; European Lithium Institute eLi; Exitcom Recycling) and four associated partners (The Graduate Institute, Geneva; SQM SA; Technovative Solutions Limited; University of Surrey) from twelve different countries. The consortium came together to work on 9 work packages and to make the project a success by supporting the European DPP initiative, emphasising on transparency and sustainability, setting out to redefine how batteries are perceived, produced, and utilised.



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The use cases involved in the BASE project include *Automotive* (E-bus EV platform production pilot for MARCEDES-BENZ and frugal EV platform production pilot FORD Motors); *Marine* (electric tugboat production pilot) and *Stationary* (2nd-life electric energy storage production pilot).

BASE is a 3-year long project under the call "<u>HORIZON-CL5-2023-D2-02-03</u>: Creating a digital passport to track battery materials, optimize battery performance and life, validate recycling, and promote a new business model based on data sharing (Batt4EU Partnership)." The project has received funding from the Horizon Europe Framework Programme (HORIZON) Research and Innovation Actions under grant agreement No 101157200.

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