

Gotthard Motorway Service Area supplies electric vehicles with renewable electricity from Uri

The Gotthard A2 Motorway Service Area in Uri will now also serve as the central hub for electric vehicles travelling north to south, and vice versa. In addition to the service area's new building on the southbound carriageway, Gotthard Raststätte A2 Uri AG has significantly expanded services for electric vehicles. Sixteen efficient charging stations equipped with standard connector types enable vehicles to be charged in no time. The electricity is generated by hydroelectric power stations in Uri using renewable energy sources. That makes for sustainable e-mobility.

For e-mobility, driving range, the charging station network and efficient charging stations are decisive factors. The Gotthard A2 Motorway Service Area in Uri has recognized the signs of the times and significantly expanded its range of charging options for electric vehicles. "E-mobility is a growing trend, and our Gotthard Motorway Service Area is right at the centre of the north-south axis," says Daniel Kaufmann, CEO of Gotthard Raststätte A2 Uri AG. "So obviously we also have to provide modern, comprehensive and efficient service for electric vehicles. It should also be possible to go on holiday in the south with your electric vehicle. We are very happy to do our part."

Highly efficient charging station for electric vehicles

In recent months, Gotthard Raststätte A2 Uri AG has rebuilt the motorway service area on the southbound carriageway. The result is an architecturally impressive building that fits elegantly and naturally into the mountain landscape. In addition to the new building, the Gotthard Motorway Service Area features a state-of-the-art electric charging station, which went into operation at the end of July 2018 and represents a pioneering project for all of Switzerland. "We have substantially expanded the charging infrastructure for electric vehicles," says Kaufmann. Four ultra-fast Ionity charging stations were installed on each side of the service area, with up to 350 kW of capacity, where electric vehicles can be charged in just 20 minutes. The electric charging station service also includes four MOVE charging stations on each side that make it possible to charge all electric vehicles with standard connector types (CCS, CHAdeMo, AC/DC type 2, Tesla adapter).

It is also quite possible that guests will want to stay longer at the Gotthard Motorway Service Area than the 20-minute recharging time. The new service area is located amidst an imposing Alpine landscape and not only features impressive architecture but also offers its guests exceptionally sanitary facilities and a spacious outdoor area with a children's playground, guaranteeing relaxation.

Electricity from hydroelectric power stations in Uri

The new electric charging stations consume large amounts of electricity when fully operational. The charging stations are supplied by two new substations that the Uri energy supply company EWA built specifically for the service area. EWA supplies the Gotthard Motorway Service Area with "URstrom" (electricity from Uri) from hydroelectric power stations in the canton of Uri. "We are firmly rooted in Uri, and hydroelectric power is one of the canton's major resources," says Kaufmann. "So we rely on URstrom from renewable energy sources. That is what makes e-mobility really sustainable."

Contact

Daniel Kaufmann

CEO

Gotthard Raststätte A2 Uri AG

Tel. direct +41 41 875 05 01

daniel.kaufmann@gotthardraststaette.ch