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Proton Motor's hydrogen fuel cell technology for Tunisia | High-ranking 25-member Tunisian women`s delegation visited H2 key player. |

Puchheim near Munich, May 16, 2023 – Tunisia is strategically positioning itself as a major player in the production of green hydrogen. The North African country is focusing on establishing a hydrogen infrastructure based on renewable energies. The great production potential through solar and wind energy as well as the geographical proximity with connection to the European gas grid form ideal conditions for this. "Die Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH" (GIZ; *The German Association for International Collaboration*) supports the promotion of H2 value chains with the programme "Green Hydrogen for Sustainable Growth and a Decarbonised Economy in Tunisia". Moreover, for contextual knowledge transfer – especially for Tunisian women in the energy sector – the project "Establishment of a Bavarian-Tunisian Technology and Innovation Hub for Green Hydrogen" was launched in May 2022, which is funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Co-operation and Development (BMZ) and the Bavarian State Chancellery. In May 2023, Proton Motor Fuel Cell GmbH welcomed a 25-member women`s delegation of representatives of Tunisian authorities and public institutions to Puchheim for an informal company visit coordinated by the NGO "Women Engage for a Common Future" (WECF).

At the Bavarian premium supplier of emission-free hydrogen fuel cells with a 25-year market presence, visitors were given an insight into high-tech production and application for stationary and mobility segments. At the same time, the networking meeting laid the foundations for possible future strategic partnerships. Proton Motor regularly promotes political and federal-state discourses for the accelerated development of hydrogen infrastructures, which is associated with the expansion of renewable energies including the removal of investment barriers. About a quarter of the H2 key player`s current more than 120 employees are women. In addition to Germany, 14 other nationalities from the EU and non-European countries are part of the workforce. The participants from Tunisia work in senior institutional business positions or in the public sector, such as in the Tunisian "Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy" – acting as the main co-operation partner of the exchange platform, as well as in the Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of the Environment, among others.

About Proton Motor Fuel Cell GmbH (<https://www.proton-motor.de>):

For a quarter of a century, Proton Motor Fuel Cell GmbH has been Europe`s expert in climate-neutral energy generation with CleanTech innovations and in this field, it has specialised in emission-free hydrogen fuel cells developed and manufactured inhouse. The corporate focus is on stationary applications such as independant power supply solutions for critical infrastructures. In addition, the CO2-balanced customised or standard and hybrid systems are used in the automotive, maritime and rail sectors.

The internationally active technology market leader from Bavaria, which currently employs more than 120 people under the CEO management of Dr Faiz Nahab, is a 100 percent German operating subsidiary of "Proton Motor Power Systems plc", based in England. Since October 2006, the parent company's "Green Energy" share has been listed on the London Stock Exchange with simultaneous trading in Frankfurt/Main (ticker symbol: "PPS" / WKN: A3DAJ9 / ISIN: GB00BP83GZ24).

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