

Commitment to safe development of new energy industry

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## TÜV SÜD signs strategic cooperation agreement with CATL

Ningde, China / Munich. TÜV SÜD recently entered into a strategic cooperation agreement with Contemporary Amperex Technology Co., Limited (CATL), a global leader in the development and manufacturing of lithium-ion batteries. The two parties reached a consensus on overseas market compliance, production safety risk assessment, supply chain management, battery product safety, and sustainable development, with the aim of advancing side by side along the road of healthy and safe development of a new energy industry.

The strategic cooperation agreement was signed by Mr Simon Lemin, Industry Service Director of TÜV SÜD Greater China and Mr He Yusheng, Sourcing Director of CATL. Mr Zhou Jia, President of CATL, Ms Zeng Rong, Co-President of CATL Supply Chain, Mr Ishan Palit, Member of the Board of Management and COO of TÜV SÜD, and Mr Dirk von Wahl, CEO of TÜV SÜD North Asia, witnessed the signing ceremony for this strategic cooperation.



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At the signing ceremony, Dr Chong Jin, Vice Director of CATL Safety Department, presented the outcomes of the two parties' past cooperation, which started out with product certification, before expanding into fields such as safety risk assessment, supply chain management and overseas factory construction. Having recognised and appreciated TÜV SÜD's expertise and services in his past

relationship, CATL now hopes to deepen mutual understanding and cooperation by signing this strategic cooperation agreement.

Mr Zhou Jia, President of CATL, said: "CATL is a young and technology-centred enterprise, while TÜV SÜD is an enterprise with a long history, profound expertise and know-how in technologies. CATL always attaches great importance to the coordinated development of technology and safety, which is in perfect agreement with TÜV SÜD's driving principle. We are confident that the two parties will make full use of their advantages in their respective fields and build long-term and stable cooperation based on their comprehensive strategic partnership."

Mr Ishan Palit, a member of the Board of Management and COO of TÜV SÜD, remarked, "CATL has been working with TÜV SÜD for years in fields including risk assessment, supplier management, factory safety and optimisation, battery testing and certification, functional safety, manufacturing and construction management, quality management, personnel training and many other areas. As a strategic partner of CATL, TÜV SÜD will devote efforts to providing up-to-date and more comprehensive services, helping to prevent potential risks, and working together to achieve steady and safe development of the global new energy industry."

TÜV SÜD and CATL share the same vision of achieving sustainable and safe global development. Both parties pursue the same goal of inspiring people's trust in technology and reducing the risks brought by new technologies. Their signing of this strategic agreement will play a positive role in promoting the development of both parties and, by extension, the industry as a whole.

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