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## Mekonomen Group and LKQ host Next Generation Vehicle Diagnostics Event in Norway

The diagnostics field for electric vehicles develops rapidly, why Mekonomen Group and LKQ, in a joint venture, invite the global leading diagnostics suppliers to dialogue around the possibilities ahead. The Next Generation Vehicle Diagnostic event will be held 27-28 April 2022 in Mekonomen Groups technical training facilities in Ski, Norway.

The leading distributors of automotive aftermarket car parts Mekonomen Group (Northern Europe) and LKQ (America, Europe and Taiwan) take further position in the electric vehicle transformation by intensified dialogue with the leading diagnostic suppliers. Through the Next Generation Vehicle Diagnostics Event the companies aim to evaluate the abilities and carpark coverage of the diagnostic suppliers. The goal is to create the optimal portfolio of diagnostic equipment for affiliated workshops to meet the needs of the growing electric vehicle fleet.

"We are pleased that we together with LKQ managed to attract the major global players to the event. We look forward to intensifying the collaboration further with the experts within this area and continue to state us as the number one to-go-to for electric vehicle owners. Thereto, the event will be held in our advanced training facility in Norway, the world's leading market when it comes to share of EV:s in the vehicle fleet", says Henrik Pettersson, Category Director at Bileko Car Parts, a part of Mekonomen Group.

"The future is increasingly electric. We are getting ready for this new technology in the drivetrain to support our customers in becoming the workshop of choice for the fast growing group of electric car owners. Diagnostics is a key capability that we build up together with Mekonomen Group to be leading in electrification in the independent aftermarket. We want to deeply understand the best solutions and are excited to welcome the leading suppliers in this area", added Christoph Schoen who is leading LKQ's electrification program for Europe.

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