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Livestream transfer on the Internet reaches new level

rbb cult programme “Berliner Nacht-Taxe” (Berlin’s Night taxi) live from the car on the World Wide Web – Compenser from Funkwerk Dabendorf permits optimum and interference-free transmission

Mobile in-car Internet usage and communication from the car outward are attractive applications. Multi- and cross-media applications are increasingly gaining in significance especially for media corporations as well as advertisers although technical realisation is not always perfect. Often weak mobile radio signals creating connections between vehicle passengers and the World Wide Web via UMTS are to blame. The Rundfunk Berlin-Brandenburg channel has now found a solution and its “Berliner Nacht-Taxe” programme offers it as an “XXL-Livestream” on the Internet with immediate effect. With the uncut material and a two- to three-hour transmission time, a wide audience is reached world-wide via the Internet.

This is realised by a mobile amplifier from Funkwerk Dabendorf. The Brandenburg-based company specialises in the development and manufacture of communication solutions linking vehicles with their environment via mobile radio connections. The Compenser, a mobile radio amplifier, which is installed in the Berlin Night Taxi, sets up a constant stable connection to the available mobile network. Mobile signals often restricted inside the vehicle in terms of availability owing to protective thermal glazing, bodywork or speed are amplified equally in the direction of reception and transmission. This way, digital applications are also introduced to the vehicle or sent outwards via the mobile phone or other devices such as a notebook or BlackBerry.

After a successful test phase, the Internet transfer is now a firm component of the transmission concept with immediate effect. “I don’t think a live stream has ever been

realised in almost TV quality from a car in motion. Possibly a world premiere”, claims Stefan Wieduwilt who produces the programme.

Funkwerk Dabendorf develops and supplies the Compenser as original equipment to leading German automobile manufacturers who use it to provide their customers with stable mobile phone reception when on the road. Vehicles can however also be retrofitted with the Compenser and it can be used to support driver assistance systems. What’s more, the Compenser is ideal for use in rural regions. In combination with a directional aerial, it creates a swift Internet connection and is used for both commercial and private applications. Additional information is available at www.fwd-online.de or by directing requests to homecompenser@fwd-online.de.

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About the company

Funkwerk Dabendorf GmbH, headquartered in Dabendorf near Berlin, is a division of Funkwerk AG, a stock-market listed company. Funkwerk Dabendorf develops and manufactures solutions for mobile in-car communication, multimedia and infotainment. The company’s customers include renowned automotive manufacturers, such as Audi, BMW and Daimler as well as commercial vehicle manufacturers like DAF, Daimler Trucks, Iveco and MAN. Funkwerk Dabendorf is the global leader in compensor technology, an amplifier technology specially designed to provide dependable wireless in-vehicle reception.

Funkwerk Dabendorf also supplies a wide range of advanced retrofit products, including hands-free kits, Bluetooth multimedia systems and portable navigation solutions. The product palette is rounded off by an efficient fleet management system. An extensive network of retailers and qualified fitting companies provide efficient installation services and dependable after-sales service. Funkwerk Dabendorf is a market leader for mobile in-vehicle communication, as is proven by the many awards the company has won and the top ratings its products regularly receive in tests.

Funkwerk AG, headquartered in Kölleda near Erfurt, develops, produces and markets professional communication systems used in vehicles by transport organisations, companies and institutions. With its four divisions Traffic & Control Communication (communication, management and information systems for transport and logistics companies), Automotive Communication (communication and infotainment systems for vehicles), Enterprise Communication (communication and access solutions for companies and institutions) and Security Communication (personal security and video surveillance), Funkwerk is strategically well positioned in emerging markets. With around 1,600 employees, the Thuringian technology conglomerate reported sales of €290 million in the previous business year.

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