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Artists, athletes, driving fun experts and thought leaders from all around the world present the new edition of the MINI 3-door, the MINI 5-door and the MINI Convertible in their personal environments. Eightpart video clip series on MINI's social media channels celebrates the enthusiasm for diversity, the openness to new things and the creativity that inspires people in different ways.

Munich. Under the motto "Launched by _ ", the British premium car manufacturer MINI is launching a global video clip campaign for the market launch of the new edition of its models in the small car segment. Young and renowned artists, up-coming athletes and experienced driving fun experts, as well as influencers and thought leaders from various disciplines, each show in their own individual way how they help the extensively revised MINI 3-door, MINI 5-door and MINI Convertible models make a grand entrance in their personal environment. The eightpart short film series focuses on the enthusiasm for diversity, the openness to new things and the creativity that inspires people all over the world in the most diverse forms.

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Pioneering achievements, new ideas and the courage to find unconventional solutions are deeply rooted in the tradition of the MINI brand. "Even Alec Issigonis, the creator of the classic Mini, was a creative mastermind who recorded his first sketches for a revolutionary new small car on a napkin," says Sebastian Beuchel, Head of MINI Global Brand Management. "This attitude continues to shape us today. In our 'Launched by _ ' campaign, we therefore show people who dare to try something new and inspire with their ideas - each in their own unique way." With "Launched by _ ", MINI is once again offering a platform on which creative people from different directions can present their individual view of MINI. This also expresses the conviction that it is good for the brand not to determine every detail itself, but to gain new impulses through co-creation and collaboration.

The protagonists for the "Launched by _ " clips range from world-famous British fashion designer Sir Paul Smith to US professional skateboarder Briana King and from Charlie Cooper, the grandson of legendary sports car designer John Cooper, to the digital influencer Miquela, who now has already more than three million fans on Instagram. They were all confronted with the same question: "How would you launch a MINI?

The answers were as varied as life in the global markets where MINI is successful. British photographer and director Rankin portrayed people who have a personal connection to the British brand for his personal staging of the MINI 5-door. Jonathan Jay Lee, illustrator from Hong Kong, made the MINI 3-door the main character of a fast-paced comic strip. The contribution of Turkish cake artist Tuba Geçkil was an epicurean delight. In her Red Rose Cake studio in Istanbul, she created a literally sweet version of the MINI Convertible. The British pop artist Lakwena also dedicated herself to the MINI Convertible. Inspired by the new Zesty Yellow body paint, she created a mural in London in bright colours and with a clear message: #BIGLOVE.

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The campaign for the market launch of the new edition of the MINI 3-door, the MINI 5-door and the MINI Convertible models is thus also a reflection of the character of the worldwide MINI Community, in which the joy of individuality and the emotional experience in a strong community ideally complement each other. "MINI stands for diversity, joie de vivre and unity. The personalities and their stories in our campaign 'Launched by _ ' are as diverse as the driving pleasure with our new models," explains Sebastian Beuchel. "This shows the meaning of the statement 'We are all different - but pretty good together'. Diversity - in all its forms - is an important stimulus for ideas and innovations.

The market launch campaign "Launched by _ " comprises a pre-roll spot as well as eight editorial stories of up to one minute in length for use on MINI's international digital channels and platforms. For the first time, MINI is also using the popular social video app TikTok as a communication platform. "With TikTok we are opening up another fast-growing social media channel for MINI brand messages, on which we want to inspire a young, digitally affine target group," says Sebastian Beuchel.

Fuel consumption, CO_2 emission figures, power consumption and range were measured using the methods required according to Regulation VO (EC) 2007/715 as amended. They refer to vehicles on the automotive market in Germany. With regard to ranges, the NEDC figures take into account differences in the selected wheel and tyre size, while the WLTP takes into account the effects of any optional equipment.

All figures are already calculated on the basis of the new WLTP test cycle. NEDC values listed have been calculated back to the NEDC measurement procedure where applicable. WLTP values are used as a basis for the assessment of taxes and other vehicle-related levies that are (also) based on CO_2 emissions and, where applicable, for the purposes of vehicle-specific subsidies. Further information on the WLTP and NEDC measurement procedures is also available at www.bmw.de/wltp.

For further details of the official fuel consumption figures and official specific CO_2 emissions of new cars, please refer to the "Manual on the fuel consumption, CO_2 emissions and power consumption of new cars", available at sales outlets, from Deutsche Automobil Treuhand GmbH (DAT), Hellmuth-Hirth-Str. 1, 73760 Ostfildern-Scharnhausen and at https://www.dat.de/co2/.

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The BMW Group

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In 2020, the BMW Group sold over 2.3 million passenger vehicles and more than 169,000 motorcycles worldwide. The profit before tax in the financial year 2020 was € 5.222 billion on revenues amounting to € 98.990 billion. As of 31 December 2020, the BMW Group had a workforce of 120,726 employees.

The success of the BMW Group has always been based on long-term thinking and responsible action. The company set the course for the future at an early stage and consistently makes sustainability and efficient resource management central to its strategic direction, from the supply chain through production to the end of the use phase of all products.

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