**Press release**

**Hankook tyres with optimized rolling resistance fitted on all-electric SUV Škoda Enyaq iV**

* **Perfect combination of low rolling resistance and excellent grip**
* **Double ply carcass for high stability and low weight**
* **Special tread compound addresses very high torques of electric vehicles**

**Neu-Isenburg, Germany, November 17, 2022** – Premium tyre manufacturer Hankook continues to expand its original equipment portfolio for electric vehicle (EV) by fitting the purely electric Škoda Enyaq iV. The Škoda Enyaq iV will be equipped with the Ventus S1 evo 3 ev tyre specially developed for electric cars, just like the group's sister model Volkswagen ID.4. Depending on the model variant of Škoda’s first electric SUV, sizes 18 to 20 inches are available.

"Hankook and Škoda have already worked closely together in the past. That's why we are particularly pleased to now continue our long-standing and trusted partnership on the brand's first purely battery-powered SUV," says Sanghoon Lee, President of Hankook Tire Europe. "The Ventus S1 evo 3 ev, perfectly adapted to the needs of electric vehicles, makes an important contribution to sustainable mobility in combination with the new Škoda model."

The Ventus S1 evo 3 ev combines low rolling resistance and high load-bearing capacity. Fitted with the Hankook premium tyre, the dynamically styled Škoda Enyaq iV comes with all the requirements to efficiently utilise the battery power and thus achieve the highest possible vehicle range - still one of the most important criteria for electric vehicles.

At the same time, the Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 ev is matched to the new Škoda electric SUV down to the last detail in order to harmonise confidently with the concept-related higher vehicle weight in all driving situations. Hankook has equipped the custom-designed EV tyre with a double-layer carcass made of high-performance fibres. It offers very high stability and ensures a low tare weight relative to its size. Another feature of the Ventus S1 evo 3 ev is the special tread compound. It confidently addresses the very high torques unique to electric vehicles while ensuring excellent grip both in wet and dry. The rolling resistance remains low all along. A special feature of the 20-inch dimension with reduced sidewall height is an additional, steel-based reinforcement in the bead area, which contributes to an even higher sidewall stiffness. In addition to a precise fit of the tyre on the rim, this ensures a particularly sporty, direct steering response.

Hankook continuously invests in research and development and is therefore well prepared for the changes in the mobility industry. This is why many leading vehicle manufacturers are already equipping their electric and hybrid models with Hankook EV tyres as a standard.

Sustainability is a particular concern for the tyre manufacturer. Hankook Tire’s expansion of its EV portfolio is also a part of its long-standing commitment to sustainability. In addition, Hankook will be the new exclusive tyre supplier and technical partner for the "ABB FIA Formula E World Championship" from the 2022/23 season. In this prestigious series, Hankook will supply particularly sustainable and energy-saving motorsport tyres.

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| **Overview of Hankook tyre sizes for the Škoda Enyaq iV** |
| **Dimension** | **Typ** | **Tread** |
| 235/60 R18 103T | summer all positions | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 ev  |
| 235/55 R19 101T | summer all positions | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 ev  |
| 255/50 R19 103T | summer RA | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 ev  |
| 235/50 R20 100T | summer all positions | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 ev  |
| 255/45 R20 101T | summer RA | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 ev  |
| *RA*= Rearaxle |

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**About Hankook**

Hankook Tire manufactures globally innovative, award-winning radial tyres of proven superior quality for passenger cars, light trucks, SUVs, RVs, trucks, and buses as well as motorsports (circuit racing/street circuits/rallies).

Aspiring to bring consumers the utmost excellence in product quality, technological excellence and driving satisfaction, Hankook Tire continuously invests in research and development maintaining five R&D centres and eight production facilities around the world. Bespoke tyre solutions for the European markets as well as European Original Equipment according to the requirements of leading premium car manufacturers, are developed in the company’s regional Technical Centre in Hanover/Germany. Production for the European region is taking place in the state-of-the-art manufacturing site in Rácalmás/Hungary which was inaugurated in June 2007 and is continuously being expanded. Currently around 3,000 employees produce up to 19 million tyres a year for passenger cars, SUVs and light trucks.

Hankook Tire’s European headquarters are located in Neu-Isenburg near Frankfurt am Main in Germany. The manufacturer operates further branches in several European countries and sells its products through regional distributors in other local markets. Hankook Tire employs approximately 20,000 people worldwide and sells products in over 160 countries. The company has been selected as the technical partner and exclusive tyre supplier of the Generation 3 for the FIA ABB Formula E World Championship, starting 2023. Internationally leading car manufacturers rely on tyres made by Hankook for their original equipment. Approximately 34 percent of the company's global sales are generated within the European and CIS-Region. Hankook Tire has been represented in the renowned Dow Jones Sustainability Index World (DJSI World) since 2016.

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