

# National coverage of Fastned fast-charging stations in The Netherlands

Fastned opens 50th fast-charging station along the highway

Amsterdam, 21 January 2016. **Fastned, which is building a European network of fast-charging stations where all electric cars can charge, has opened its 50th station along the highway. This station marks the beginning of national fast charging coverage. This network gives electric drivers the freedom to travel throughout the Netherlands. Former Prime Minister Jan Peter Balkenende officially opened the station together with alderman Derk Alsema of the municipality Goes in Zeeland.**

Michiel Langezaal, CEO Fastned: "We are the first player that builds a network fast-charging stations which are powered by 100% renewable energy at high traffic locations along the highway. This makes the Netherlands one of the leaders in the field of electric vehicles. And this is just the beginning. In the Netherlands, we will build a network of 200 stations along the highway and we also work on stations in and around major cities. The next step is to expand the network to the rest of Europe. "

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During the climate conference in Paris, the world community agreed to make the economy climate neutral this century. Electric cars are a crucial technology to achieve the objective of sustainable transportation. Building fast-charging stations that only provide green electricity brings a 100% electric and sustainable future closer. Simultaneously Fastned contributes to the Dutch Energy Agreement, which stimulates electric transport and the creation of green jobs.

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## ABOUT FASTNED.EN

Fastned is building the world's first network of fast-charging stations where all electric cars can charge. We are building stations at high traffic locations along the highway, where electric cars can charge in 20 minutes. This will provide freedom for electric cars to drive everywhere throughout Europe. As of today, 50 stations are operational in The Netherlands and Fastned is planning to expand its fast charging network to the rest of Europe.

Fastned is rolling out it's network of fast charging stations in response to the rapidly increasing numbers of EV's in Europe. Car manufacturers such as [Tesla](#), [Audi](#), [Volvo](#), [Aston Martin](#), [BMW](#), [Nissan](#), [Mitsubishi](#), [Porsche](#), [Volkswagen](#), [Mercedes](#), [Ford](#), [General Motors](#) and [Renault](#) are investing billions of Euro's in the development of, and production capacity for EV's. More and more EV's are hitting our roads which drives the need for charging infrastructure. Fastned is responding to this development by building the service stations of the future. Co-founder and CEO Michiel Langezaal: " We are the Shell of the future, only our energy comes from the sun and the wind."

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