



## Media Information

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### **Opel Donates around 50,000 Protective Masks to hospitals and welfare institutions across Germany**

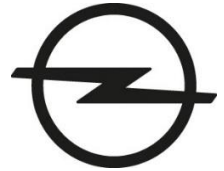
Rüsselsheim. Opel is contributing to the fight against the spread of the coronavirus by donating around 50,000 protective masks to hospitals and welfare institutions across Germany. The carmaker will give 12,000 protective masks alone to the GPR Klinikum in Rüsselsheim today. "The doctors and nurses of the GPR Klinikum are looking after corona patients around the clock. Their tireless effort is an outstanding achievement that deserves all our respect and support," said Ralph Wangemann, Managing Director Human Resources and Labour Director Opel Automobile GmbH. The donation of the protective masks is a sign of the recognition. Wangemann also emphasized that the company is currently implementing a reinforced sanitary protocol across all of its divisions to protect its employees and create the conditions for a restart of production at a later date.

Groupe PSA is supporting those who work every day to protect the health of others, to care for needy people or to meet the basic needs of society during the COVID-19 crisis. The group has already donated more than 400,000 protective masks worldwide to hospitals, emergency services and local authorities. At the same time, the group's medical services organize donations of medical devices such as defibrillators or first aid kits and gloves to hospitals in the particularly hard-hit regions of Milan, Madrid and Mulhouse.

In addition, Free2Move, Groupe PSA's mobility brand, has offered hospitals and other healthcare institutions the possibility of using vehicles from its fleets in Paris, Madrid and Lisbon. Workshops and repair centers that are opened can provide support for the safe mobility of medical professionals and specialists for goods distribution.

#### **About Opel**

Opel is one of the largest European car manufacturers and was founded by Adam Opel in Rüsselsheim, Germany, in 1862. The company started building automobiles in 1899. Opel has been part of the [Groupe PSA](#) since August 2017. Together with its British sister brand Vauxhall, the company is represented in more than 60 countries around the globe selling around one million vehicles in 2019. Opel is currently implementing its electrification strategy to secure sustainable



success and ensure that the future mobility demands of customers are met. By 2024, all Opel models will offer an electric variant. This strategy is part of the company plan [PACE!](#) with which Opel will become sustainably profitable, global and electric.

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