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## **KLEMENT: ŠKODA electric two-wheel concept for sustainable micromobility in the city**

- › **KLEMENT provides a concrete look ahead at the future of modern, individual micromobility**
- › **Innovative two-wheel concept that combines a pure design, state-of-the-art technology and effortless handling**
- › **KLEMENT boasts connectivity at its best and offers access to a variety of brand-typical intelligent connectivity features**
- › **Innovative combined throttle and brake control for intuitive operation and a 4-kW rear hub motor with recuperation**
- › **Highest level of safety thanks to hydraulic brake at the front equipped with ABS and an innovative lighting concept**

**Mladá Boleslav / Geneva, 5 March 2019 – By showcasing the KLEMENT mobility concept at the Geneva Motor Show, ŠKODA is providing an insight into the car manufacturer's vision for the future of micromobility in cities: electric, innovative and modern. The integrated 4-kW rear hub motor accelerates the KLEMENT to a top speed of 45 km/h, and the throttle and brake control are made child's play by the pivoting pedals. This allows for handling that is as innovative as it is effortless. A hydraulic brake at the front equipped with ABS as well as LED lights integrated into the concept guarantee a safe ride at all times. The KLEMENT also traces an arc back to the company's roots – back to 124 years ago when the story of ŠKODA began with the manufacturing of bicycles under founding fathers Laurin & Klement.**

Guido Haak, Head of Product Management at ŠKODA AUTO, said, "Micromobility is becoming increasingly important in cities. By presenting the KLEMENT at the Geneva Motor Show, we are showcasing our vision for the future of micromobility: sustainable, innovative, electric and with a pure, modern design. The KLEMENT is a state-of-the-art, dynamic and easy-to-use vehicle, and allows the ŠKODA brand to further appeal to a younger target group with a heightened sense of environmental awareness. The concept is perfectly aligned with our customers and our eMobility Strategy. We are therefore assessing whether, and how, this exciting, new mobility concept can be added to our portfolio in the future."

Agile vehicles like the KLEMENT make the daily commute to work in densely populated urban areas easier for example and are therefore becoming increasingly important there. This two-wheel concept was designed to cater for young people who are looking for a sustainable alternative to a car and who expect it to be easy to use, fun, as well as faster and more convenient than a conventional bicycle. The KLEMENT has a futuristic aluminium frame; the wheel suspensions make use of single-sided swing arms. The mobility concept has no visible levers or cables and the rider's feet rest on fixed pedals located where e-bikes ordinarily have a bottom bracket.

Riders accelerate and brake the KLEMENT just like they would popular hoverboards – by tilting the foot pedals. If the user shifts their weight forwards on the pedal, the KLEMENT's hub motor accelerates. If the pedals pivot backwards, a hydraulic disc brake at the front equipped with ABS is activated, as is regenerative braking at the rear wheel.



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The wheel hub motor on the rear wheel outputs up to 4 kW and accelerates the bike up to a maximum speed of 45 km/h. The two lithium-ion batteries, each featuring 52 cells, have a total capacity of 1,250 Wh – providing a range of up to 62 km. These batteries can be easily removed and charged using a household plug socket; they can also be recharged whilst riding thanks to brake energy recuperation. With a target weight of approx. 25 kg, the KLEMENT is easy to manoeuvre at all times.

The concept's integrated light system includes an LED headlight and brake light, LED indicators integrated into the pedals as well as a daytime running light. A smartphone holder with inductive charging is located on the crossbar, just behind the handlebars. Smartphones are the key to unlocking the e-bike's full connectivity potential. They can be used to link the KLEMENT to all of the innovative connectivity solutions offered by ŠKODA, such as the Coming Home function, the automatically triggered Emergency Call as well as remote diagnostics and maintenance. Owners can also programme a restricted area of use via Geofencing.

Many additional features might be included in a production version in future, such as assistance systems, Function on Demand or special mousse tyres, which are made from a shock-absorbing foam also used in running shoes – therefore providing a comfortable and quiet ride.

The KLEMENT electric two-wheel concept will celebrate its world premiere at the Geneva Motor Show from 7 to 17 March 2019.

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- › currently offers its customers nine passenger-car series: the CITIGO, FABIA, RAPID, SCALA, OCTAVIA, KAROQ, KODIAQ, as well as the KAMIQ and the SUPERB.
- › delivered more than 1.25 million vehicles to customers around the world in 2018.
- › has belonged to Volkswagen Group since 1991. The Volkswagen Group is one of the most successful vehicle manufacturers in the world. In association with the Group, ŠKODA AUTO independently develops and manufactures vehicles, as well as components such as engines and transmissions.
- › operates at three locations in the Czech Republic; manufactures in China, Russia, Slovakia, Algeria and India mainly through Group partnerships, as well as in Ukraine and Kazakhstan with local partners.
- › employs over 35,000 people globally and is active in more than 100 markets.
- › is pressing ahead with the transformation from a traditional car manufacturer to the 'Simply Clever company for the best mobility solutions' as part of the ŠKODA 2025 Strategy.