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Hybrid Electric Vehicle Training Attracts International Attendance

Hybrid/Electric Vehicles (H/EVs) are gaining enormous traction worldwide and are becoming increasingly accepted as the way forward by Australian consumers and vehicle manufacturers.

MTA Institute is the largest private provider of automotive apprenticeships and training in Queensland and has long known that a significant part of the future of automotive is electric.

As leaders in automotive training, MTAI, led by a team of H/EV experts have been providing the accredited AURSS00037 – Hybrid Electric Vehicle Inspection and Servicing Skill Set course for a number of years.

Paul Kulpa General Manager for Training said, "The MTA Institute understands the importance of providing accredited H/EV training to automotive professionals and businesses preparing for the future and looking to adapt to new market trends.

"Mastering the latest technology is complicated and dangerous, it's not something you can learn on the job, so it's crucial for automotive professionals to complete the accredited course and gain the necessary qualifications before attempting to inspect or service a H/EV."

This notion appears to be one that is accepted nationally and also internationally with the MTA Institute's latest H/EV course attracting enrolments from automotive professionals throughout Australia and beyond with students in attendance from New South Wales, Victoria, Western Australia and Singapore.

Luca Duro, a participant from Western Australia took a week's holiday, paid for the course out of his own pocket, and travelled to Queensland to complete the Institute's H/EV course.

"There's no accredited training for alternative fuel in WA, or anywhere else in Australia," he said.

"MTA Institute is the only place offering training like this and because I want to be a good technician and be prepared for alternative fuel vehicles, I decided to do the course now and get ahead of the game.

"There's no doubt that H/EVs are growing in popularity and I'd love to complete more alternative fuel courses with the MTA Institute as I've found this course to be fantastic."

Ronny Wijaya and his brother Rudy Wijaya travelled from Singapore to complete the MTA Institute's Hybrid Electric Vehicle Inspection and Servicing Skill Set Course.

"We travelled all this way because we want to learn more about H/EVs and there's no accredited training options in Singapore or anywhere else.

"As part of my job I'm in charge of maintaining a vehicle fleet, which in time, will be changing to H/EVs instead of petrol.

"Because of this, H/EVs will become a part of my daily routine, so it was very important to complete the course with the MTA Institute and to get the confidence required to be able to inspect and service H/EVs."

The Hybrid Electric Vehicle Inspection and Servicing Skill Set course is a three-day course, scheduled for various dates throughout the year. It gives students the skillsets required to inspect and service H/EV systems and components in the automotive, retail, service and repair industry.

"Many manufacturers have announced plans to only produce H/EVs within a matter of years," said Mr Kulpa.

"The MTA Institute is committed to our role as a leader of automotive training and we will continue to develop and provide future accredited courses designed for Electric Vehicles (EVs) and additional alternative fuel options to ensure automotive professionals are prepared for the future."

For more information on the AURSS00037 – Hybrid Electric Vehicle Inspection and Servicing Skill Set course <u>CLICK HERE</u>

For more information on MTA Institute (RTO No. 31529) CLICK HERE



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Background:

The Motor Trades Association of Queensland (MTA Queensland) is the peak body representing the interests of employers in the retail, repair and service sectors of Queensland's automotive / mobility industry. There are some 15,500 automotive value chain businesses employing in excess of 90,000 people, that generate more than \$20 billion annually. The Association represents and promotes issues of relevance to the automotive / mobility industry to all levels of Government and within Queensland's economic structure.

The Association is the leading automotive training provider in Queensland offering nationally recognised training, covering technical, retail and the aftermarket sectors of the automotive industry through the **MTA Institute** - a registered training organisation. It is the largest private automotive apprentice trainer in Queensland employing experienced trainers who are geographically dispersed from Cairns to the Gold Coast and Toowoomba to Emerald. The MTA Institute in the last financial year accredited courses to more than 2,000 apprentices and trainees.

MTAiQ, Australia's first automotive innovation hub established by MTA Queensland, is an eco-system that supports innovation for mobility and the motor trades.

Motor Trades Association of Queensland