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## **Allianz Partners accompanies ALWAYS on its great Electric Vehicle adventure from China to Western Europe**

Allianz Partners, a global leader in B2B2C assistance and insurance solutions, is proud to support its strategic partner ALWAYS, the Shanghai-based personal mobility provider, on a unique test drive: what is believed to be the longest point-to-point drive of a prototype electric vehicle ever attempted. Allianz Partners is providing road side assistance services over the 14,231 kilometer (8,843 miles) journey, which began on July 17<sup>th</sup> when two U5 electric SUVs departed from Xi'an, China to arrive in Frankfurt, Germany in early September.



For almost two months, two U5 prototype vehicles, and a team of engineers, will drive across some of the world's most demanding urban and rural roads across Asia and Western Europe, to reach its final destination – Frankfurt, shortly before the opening of IAA (Frankfurt International Motor Show), with

the support of Allianz Partners' road side assistance services to ensure the performance and safety of the vehicles and engineers.

Allianz Partners has longstanding experience and a strong track record in the e-mobility ecosystem in terms of insurance and technological expertise. Together with its Automotive Innovation Center, the group is a leading strategic partner for the automotive industry in the provision of insurance and mobility services. Allianz Partners works hand in hand with leading EV manufacturers, including BMW and Tesla, to create tailored product solutions addressing the specific requirements of electric vehicles, such as high voltage risks.

“At Allianz Partners, we strive to offer our customers high-tech, high-touch products and services including roadside assistance and mobility solutions; We are thrilled to support this epic journey from East to West, and will work together closely with our new strategic partner ALWAYS to make the drivers' experience more secure and more convenient, anytime and anywhere,” says Sylvie Ouziel, CEO Assistance and APAC at Allianz Partners.

ALWAYS will be the first Chinese brand to bring electric SUVs to Europe, with the U5 to be launched in Europe from April 2020, including in the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Norway and France.

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