

## **CONTROLLING SEVERAL HOME APPLIANCES WITH ONE APP: HOME CONNECT ESTABLISHES THE "INTERNET OF THINGS" IN THE MODERN KITCHEN**

**+++ LIVING KITCHEN 2015: THE BOSCH AND SIEMENS BRANDS ARE PRESENTING THE FIRST DISHWASHERS AND OVENS THAT ARE CONTROLLED WITH THE HOME CONNECT APP.**

**+++ SIMPLE AND SECURE: HOME CONNECT IS SIMPLE TO INSTALL AND FULFILLS STRICT SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.**

Munich/Cologne, January 19, 2015 The Bosch and Siemens brands will unveil attractive kitchen innovations this week at LivingKitchen 2015. These are based on Home Connect and available in stores. Both the premium Series 8 ovens and dishwashers from Bosch and the iQ 700 range of ovens and dishwashers from Siemens can be controlled using the Home Connect app.

Home Connect is thus making good on the promise given at the start of the development phase to allow kitchen enthusiasts to connect different home appliances from several brands with a single app and take advantage of additional digital features.

The benefit of this is that working in the kitchen cannot only be organized more easily and efficiently, but also everyday life as a whole. The range of services available with Home Connect is extensive. Apart from being able to control home appliances remotely, a wealth of additional digital features are also available. For example, the app can be used to define the optimum level of heat and the perfect cooking time for dishes, with the cooking instructions being selected beforehand from the recipe database integrated in the app. Or the dishwasher reminds the HomeConnect user with a push message via smartphone while out shopping that the rinse aid needs to be topped up. Home Connect provides the smart solution for the consumer in the digital age. An overview of the features can be found on the Home Connect website (<http://www.home-connect.com/>) and on the websites of the partner brands that use Home Connect.

"We paid special attention to data protection and data security when developing the app," as Project Manager Dr. Claudia Häpp explains. "Consumers and their interests and needs take center stage. Home Connect is designed so that the app not only connects kitchen appliances over the Internet, but also household appliances in general, such as washing machines or dryers – across a range of brands and manufacturers. This is an important step on the path to the smart home."

The Home Connect app is available for mobile devices with the iOS operating system in the iTunes Store. A version for mobile devices with the Android operating system will also be available from July 2015.

## ABOUT HOME CONNECT:

Home Connect is the first solution in the world to allow home appliances from different brands to be controlled with a single app. The system is designed as an open platform that will keep evolving to cover a growing range of services. Home Connect GmbH is a subsidiary of BSH Bosch und Siemens Hausgeräte GmbH. Home appliances fitted with the Home Connect function and the accompanying app have been available since December. For more information about Home Connect, go to: <http://www.home-connect.com>

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