New 6-seater chairlift on the Geisskopf in the Bavarian Forest

Comfortable, modern and practical at any time of year

To match the year-round versatility of the Geisskopf in the Bavarian Forest, the new ropeway to the 1,097-metre-high leisure mountain should also be multifunctional. With their decision to purchase a 6-seater chairlift from LEITNER, after more than 50 years,, the operators are now making an important statement of modernisation and are offering a comfortable connection perfectly tailored to the needs of visitors to the Geisskopf.

The new bottom station with a 90-degree entrance will be located at the foot of the family run and will blend in particularly harmoniously with its surroundings through a sustainable and attractive design using wood and glass. The station houses the new LEITNER DirectDrive -gearless, oil-free and particularly energy-efficient and quiet. In addition there is fully automatic parking of the chairs in the station turnaround and on a storage rail. The 6- seater model with maximum functionality has been chosen. Something of a première are the many options for using the lift in winter: At the Geisskopf, skiers and tobogganists together with their sports equipment (one or two tobogganists + one to four skiers or snowboarders) can be transported together on one chair. In addition, a special guidance system using LED technology guides guests through the boarding process. In summer, the facility offers the transport of up to six walkers or optionally up to three bikers and two walkers per chair. Thus the new facility will lead to a noticeable relief and improvement for bikers, who have often had to put up with very long queuing times in order to take advantage of the attractive range of versatile downhill routes at the Geisskopf. Special brackets on the chairs make it possible to transport two toboggans on each vehicle in winter and three bikes in summer. The sports equipment is attached to the chair in front in each case and it is thus visible to the owners during the entire ride. A new type of device is used to attach the mountain bikes to the chairs which allows the bikers themselves to attach the bike to the chair and remove it at the mountain station. This system is being used for the first time on a chairlift in Germany and makes it easier especially for young and the less muscular guests to use it. The toboggan can be removed in one easy step when getting out.

The new installation - which replaces a single chairlift built in 1967 and a surface lift built in 1988 - thus becomes an excellent choice for the Geisskopf and, in addition to the functional requirements, also fulfils the desire for fast,

safe transport. The installation will be able to transport up to 2,100 people per hour.. The previous 14-minute journey will in future only take five minutes - and at the same time the comfortable upholstery, the absence of waiting times and provision of footrests will make for greater relaxation. For the operators, the realisation of the ropeway is far more than just a replacement of old infrastructure. It is expected to create added value for the entire region, which will not only have a positive impact on the development of tourism, but also trigger further investment to make the region even more attractive.

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