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SIX achieves another cashless success with Fifteen Seconds Festival

SIX Payment Services (SIX), a European leader in cashless payments, has, for the second year running, enabled cashless payment across the recent Fifteen Seconds Festival.

Held in Graz, Austria from 8th – 9th June, this marketing festival, for ‘curious minds challenging the status quo’ was attended by over 4000 guests and brought speakers from across Europe, including delegates from giants such as Google, IKEA and Microsoft.

The festival was cashless only – minimising queues, reducing the risk of cash theft and relieving caterers of the need to provide change. SIX provided the payment infrastructure for 100 terminals across the entire festival, including the Food Market, Design Market and the Spotify After-Show Party, ensuring fast, secure and reliable payments in all areas of the event.

Providing cashless payment solutions for events is one of the core competencies of SIX in Austria; Fifteen Seconds Festival follows the cashless successes from SIX at the recent Vienna Life Ball and the Hahnenkamm race in Kitzbühel in January.

Thomas Grabner, Managing Director of SIX Payment Services in Austria, said: *"This is the second year running we have provided efficient, cashless solutions for the Fifteen Seconds Festival and demonstrates both our commitment to this sector and the growing popularity of cashless events."*

"We expect events without cash to become increasingly common in the future and look forward to continuing our partnership with the Fifteen Seconds innovators, as well as other event organisers across the country."

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SIX Payment Services

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With around 1,100 employees and 10 locations worldwide, SIX Payment Services supports clients in 33 different countries. www.six-payment-services.com

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