

# BMW presents contactless touchscreen

At the Consumer Electronics Show last week in Las Vegas, BMW Group is presenting a Vision Car to demonstrate what the interior and the user interface of the future might look like.

The rapid advance of networking between driver, vehicle and environment is becoming increasingly intensive and is facilitating new services.

One example of new technologies in seamlessly networked vehicles is provided by AirTouch. This feature empowers intuitive control of entertainment, navigation and

communication functions using simple gestures made with a flat hand.

AirTouch allows the display in a vehicle to be operated like a touchscreen without actually having to make contact with the surface. Sensors record the hand movements in the area between the central console and the interior mirror.

This enables drivers or passengers to change the focus on the surface of the large panorama display. Simple confirmation selects the relevant menu item or activates an icon.

Sensors on the instrument dashboard permit 3D control. One year ago, BMW already presented the new gesture control at the CES. This enables simple movements of

a finger to carry out actions such as adjusting the loudness or accepting phone calls. Meanwhile, this technology is available as Gesture Control in the new BMW 7 Series.



At last week's Consumer Electronics Show (Jan. 6-9) in Las Vegas, BMW showed a touchscreen that is contactless.

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