Here is the history behind how it all happened.

**1917**
The Swedish electronics manufacturer launched its first ever contactor called the AEV.

**1967**
The EG contactor was introduced with plastic details that improved safety and reliability in tough environments.

**1985**
Strengthened its position as a global production leader of large contactors up to 630 A.

**1988**
ABB was formed through a merger between Swiss Brown Boveri Company, Swedish ASEA and the Finnish company Strömbergs.

**1989**
The common line was launched to market. It consisted of contactors from France up to 75 A, contactors produced in Sweden up to 800 A, together with motor protection products from Germany.

**1998**
ABB introduced the A contactor and very soon it became the "flagship" product. Breakers, relays and contactors were designed for a perfect match.

**Today**
ABB’s contactors provide unmatched performance regardless of network conditions. A complete contactor range up to 2650 A, embedding AF technology, is available for any application. ABB continues to push the boundaries of motor control and power switching.

To see more benefits of ABB’s contactors, please check out our video!