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Valeo lights up the Luxor Obelisk in Place de la Concorde with Milène Guermont's artwork "PHARES"

Paris, October 21, 2015 – As part of the International Year of Light initiative launched by UNESCO and to mark the COP21 UN climate change conference, artist Milène Guermont has collaborated with Valeo to create a monumental installation entitled "PHARES". It uses 128 of Valeo's Cibié OSCAR LED headlamps attached to a delicate gold-colored metal framework shaped like a pyramid. This "*haute couture*" artwork, which is highly energy and material efficient (and "*Paris pour le climat*" certified), was made possible thanks to a number of technological advances. It will highlight France's cultural heritage and illuminate the obelisk from today until February 2016.

In supporting this project, Valeo is demonstrating its innovation strategy, which is based, in particular, on energy efficiency. The Valeo headlamps selected by Milène Guermont are consistent with the sustainable energy commitments set out by the COP21.



The Cibié OSCAR 100% LED headlamps provide unrivaled lighting power, visible from up to 2,200 meters away, delivering energy savings of around 70% and lasting ten times longer than halogen bulbs. The OSCAR beams will project light from the installation well beyond the Place de la Concorde and the Palais Bourbon.

Valeo dedicates nearly 11% of its original equipment revenue to innovation, which is a priority focus for the Group. Most of its research and development programs are focused on the design of technologies that reduce motor vehicle carbon emissions and promote intuitive driving. Ranking among the leading patent filers in France, Valeo has close to 11,000 researchers in 50 research and development centers around the world. Valeo has developed a wide array of innovative products and technologies that represented 35% of its order intake in 2014.

Valeo is an automotive supplier, partner to all automakers worldwide. As a technology company, Valeo proposes innovative products and systems that contribute to the reduction of CO₂ emissions and to the development of intuitive driving.

In 2014, the Group generated sales of €12.7 billion and invested over 11% of its original equipment sales in research and development. Valeo has 133 plants, 16 research centers, 34 development centers and 15 distribution platforms, and employs 81,200 people in 29 countries worldwide.

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