



« The Future Starts Here »: Valeo will present its latest technologies and unveil its Driving Assistance demo car at IAA Frankfurt.

PARIS, France, August 5, 2005 - This year, Valeo's theme at the IAA Frankfurt Motor Show is "The Future Starts Here". The stand will highlight key technologies from its three Domains – Driving Assistance, Comfort Enhancement and Powertrain Efficiency – that are now available on production vehicles, and that contribute to increasing driver safety and comfort while reducing pollutant emissions.

Examples are the Start-Stop system, which can reduce fuel consumption by 6-12%, on the Citroën C3, and the Lane Departure Warning System, which alerts the driver in case of unintentional lane departure, on the Nissan Infiniti FX45 and the Citroën C4. Also on display are the latest xenon bending lights systems, which double the visibility during night driving, equipping four new German vehicles, and advanced products and systems for air quality within the car, including BioClip™. This system uses a natural anti-microbial agent that is continuously diffused into the cabin to destroy the microorganisms that spread through the ventilation system.

Another key highlight of Valeo's presence at the Show will be the unveiling of its first Driving Assistance Demo car, christened V-360, integrating the Group's expertise in radars, sensors, cameras, infrared and LED technologies to create a car with a sixth sense for safety. Ten different technologies from Blind Spot Detection to Lane Departure Warning and the latest in lighting technologies are incorporated into this vehicle to create 360° visibility around the car. Particularly noteworthy are the driver-friendly controls and display information.

This car will be launched through a special event, the Valeo Secret Lab, that will be open to the public for the entire IAA show, Sept.13-25, F10 (outside location), booth 74.

Valeo Chairman & Chief Executive Officer Thierry Morin will host a press conference on Sept. 14 at 9 a.m. in Hall 8, Stand D02, of the Messe Frankfurt exhibition center.

Valeo is an independent industrial Group fully focused on the design, production and sale of components, integrated systems and modules for cars and trucks. Valeo ranks among the world's top automotive suppliers. The Group has 130 plants, 68 R&D centers, 9 distribution centers and employs 72,100 people in 28 countries worldwide.

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