



## **Valeo Service presents its technological innovations and pioneering market-oriented strategy at Automechanika 2006**

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**PARIS, France, 22 June, 2006** – At Automechanika 2006, Valeo will present its latest range of products, services and tools for the aftermarket as well as recent technological innovations for the Original Equipment and spares markets, under the theme “We guarantee your future”. Valeo’s aftermarket product offer will be presented under a new organization, as an answer to the markets differing needs.

As a designer and manufacturer of spare parts, Valeo has always aimed at extending its skills to repair professionals, to provide tailored solutions for differing markets. As a direct result, Valeo Service is now structured around five transversal business markets, each one matching a specific need. Through the Crash, Maintenance, Repair, Post-Equipment, and Heavy Duty specialized offers, Valeo Service provides a complete product, service, training and technical assistance package, which addresses each individual market.

Under the umbrella of the five markets Valeo Service will present its latest range of products, services and tools for cars and trucks. Notable examples include:

- a complete air conditioning diagnostic and maintenance offer with the launch of the new generation Clim Fill refill station, and an A/C maintenance CDROM tool,
- a new product Clim Spray, to complement the Air Quality range - an unflammable aerosol that deodorizes and disinfects the vehicle cabin environment, for enhanced driver and passenger comfort,
- a new line of clutches featuring the latest CSC program, the 4 piece kit - a solution to recent market evolutions and a new technical tool,
- innovative and exclusive wiping technologies for Valeo, SWF and PJ brands
- the new range of window lift products,
- an extensive update of over 20 product catalogues (with additional sections to facilitate product search and identification) and the TecDoc powered electronic and online catalogue,

Five Valeo product and service innovations will be presented for the Automechanika Innovation Awards and exhibited on the stand:

- Touch & Lock

This innovative system combines passive entry access to the vehicle and an alarm function. Using encrypted communication, an identifier situated in a pocket or bag allows the driver to lock and unlock the car by simply touching a specific zone on the vehicle.

- e-CORPS

The Valeo e-CORPS system includes IT software and a product identification and traceability tool, to make remanufacturing activities more efficient through optimal re-use of old cores and customer surcharge recovery within 48 hours.



- Daytime Running Light

Valeo's LED daytime running light (DRL) is based on 4 white LEDs to offer increased traffic safety through improved recognition of oncoming traffic during the day. Compared with halogen low beams, LED DRLs can save 90% of energy and require no bulb replacement for the entire lifespan of the vehicle.

- Power Line Communication technology

PLC is a new technology which reduces electrical system complexity while allowing new equipment integration. Data and power supply are distributed through 12V wires, allowing "plug & play" integration.

- Park 4U

The Park4U system searches for parallel parking slots to park the vehicle (choice of left or right hand side parking). When a suitable parking slot has been found, the Park4U system steers the vehicle into the space while the driver, hands free, can accelerate and brake.

Valeo Service will also reveal a new visual identity for packaging that is more contemporary and dynamic. The packaging highlights valeo origin quality and also incorporates the latest technologies for improved brand protection.

Visitors will also be able to see Luc Alphand's Mitsubishi Pajero, that won this year's Dakar, fitted with Valeo wipers and lighting systems. The technical partnership continues with the recent Le Mans series race, and a world first - for which the team Corvette was fitted with an air-conditioning system, specially adapted to the extreme conditions encountered in competition.

Visitors can also discover the complete Air Quality range, part of the overall air-conditioning circuit, for which Valeo offers 97% coverage for vehicles already equipped with air-conditioning systems. The entire range has benefited from new packaging developments for easy identity. The fast-expanding Valeo Clim Service will have its own dedicated area with live demonstrations, showing the specific solutions it offers to the market.

On the stand, visitors will be able to see the latest technological breakthroughs in areas such as starters and alternators, lighting, switches, cabin safety, cooling systems, braking and ignition.

*Valeo Service supplies high quality parts and services to both OES and IAM markets. Valeo Service is supported by the expertise of the Valeo Group's twelve industrial branches and their leading positions in the Original Equipment market. Valeo Service has one of the most extensive offers for the aftermarket with 176 product ranges covering 12 product functions for passenger vehicles. [www.valeoservice.com](http://www.valeoservice.com)*

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