**Hankook’s truck and bus tyres at the Solutrans 2019**

**Tyre maker Hankook will be attending the Solutrans Exhibition in Lyon again this year, at Eurexpo on stand 3F217. The international automotive fair maintains a concentrated focus on road and urban transport solutions, and is an opportunity for the company to exhibit its entire truck and bus tyre portfolio, but also to present its latest news and services dedicated to the world of transport. Highlights on display are the SmartWork range of tyres as well as the SmartCity AU04+ optimised specifically for electromotive use.**

***Lyon, France, 12th November 2019*** – For the 5th consecutive year, premium tyre maker Hankook will be present at the Solutrans located in the heart of France, to display its full range of bus and truck tyres as well as services dedicated to the world of transport. In order to meet the needs of users in the French market, Hankook is committed to renewing their offers frequently. From the 19th to the 23rd of November visitors are invited to take a look at the SmartWork line of tyres for the construction business with the AM11 for steering axle, DM11 for drive axle and TM11 for axle trailer and semi-trailer. In addition, the new urban bus tyre, the SmartCity AU04 + especially adapted to be fitted on emission free electric buses, will also be on display.

The treads in the Hankook SmartWork line, AM11, DM11 and TM11, have been specifically developed for construction site vehicles used for the supply and removal of raw materials, gravel or waste to or from construction sites and thus cover most of their miles on public roads. The SmartCity AU04+ stands out in particular due to its very low rolling resistance which helps to ease the strain on the energy storage units of electrically-powered urban buses. Completely in line with the safety aspect, the SmartCity AU04+ also has a further reinforced sidewall. This protects the tyre from damage following the often unavoidable contact with the curb in city traffic.

“The Solutrans Exhibition is one of the most important platforms for the French tyre trade market, which is constantly growing in the commercial vehicles sector. With having many key logistic node points, Hankook is reacting to this by reinforcing the demand from fleet customers in Hankook's truck and bus tyre segment. We look forward to many interesting and productive meetings”, comments Georges Bochaton, National Sales & Marketing Director of Hankook France.

“As innovative premium tyre maker and original equipment supplier Hankook will exhibit its recent line-up of bus and truck tyres and promote its services and technologies” comments Xavier Antressangle, TBR and Fleet Director of Hankook France.

The tyre maker is already a successful premium supplier for original equipment on many automotive manufacturers like MAN, Mercedes-Benz, Scania or trailer maker Schmitz Cargobull. Hankook’s truck and bus tyres have demonstrated their efficiency as well as the company's investment in the innovation and research sectors.

Hankook’s visitors at the stand will be able to participate via a contest that may allow them to win exceptional prizes such as Samsung tablets and tickets to an AS Monaco game of their choice. Hankook France has been the official partner of this top football club since 2018. It will also be possible to double the chances of winning by posting a photograph of the Hankook stand on social media networks such as Facebook and LinkedIn with the hashtag #HankookSolutrans2019.

For more information, please visit [www.hankooktire.com](http://www.hankooktire.com) and [www.solutrans.fr](http://www.solutrans.fr).

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**About Hankook**

Hankook Tire manufactures globally innovative, award winning radial tyres of proven superior quality for passenger cars, light trucks, SUVs, RVs, trucks, and buses as well as motorsports (circuit racing/rallies).

Aspiring to bring consumers the utmost excellence in product quality, technological excellence and driving satisfaction, Hankook Tire continuously invests in research and development maintaining five R&D centres and eight production facilities around the world. Bespoke tyre solutions for the European markets as well as European Original Equipment according to the requirements of leading premium car manufacturers, are developed in the company’s regional Technical Centre in Hanover/Germany. Production for the European region is taking place in the state-of-the-art manufacturing site in Rácalmás/Hungary which was inaugurated in June 2007 and is continuously being expanded. Currently around 3,000 employees produce up to 19 million tyres a year for passenger cars, SUVs and light trucks.

Hankook Tire’s European headquarters are located in Neu-Isenburg near Frankfurt am Main in Germany. The manufacturer operates further branches in Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Poland, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, UK and Ukraine. Hankook products are sold directly through regional distributors in other local markets. Hankook Tire employs approximately 21,000 people worldwide and are selling their products in over 180 countries. Internationally leading car manufacturers rely on tyres made by Hankook for their original equipment. Approximately 30 percent of the company's global sales are generated within the European and CIS-Region. Hankook Tire has been represented in the renowned Dow Jones Sustainability Index World (DJSI World) since 2016.

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