**Hankook Technodome Acquires ISO/IEC 17025 Accreditation**

* **Hankook Technodome is now qualified as a global innovation R&D centre, by the most influential & international accreditation organisation in the U.S.**
* **Recognised for Hankook Technodome’s own testing and management system**

***Seoul/Korea, Neu-Isenburg/Germany, April 12, 2018*** – The premium tyre makers state of the art R&D Centre, Hankook Technodome, has acquired ‘ISO/IEC 17025’ from A2LA(American Association for Laboratory Accreditation), acknowledged with the company’s own testing system.

‘ISO/IEC 17025’ is an international standard for laboratories or accreditation organisations that have been recognised by the International Standard Organisation. Test reports from these laboratories can be globally acknowledged. Hankook Tire has now officially been recognised for its methodical test management system and established its own testing system at a global top-tier level.

Hankook Tire has constantly been making its best efforts to attain global top-tier technology through the company’s core R&D capability, Hankook Technodome. Based on high-tech research facilities within an optimised working environment, this R&D centre provides Hankook Tire’s most up-to-date innovative technology. Hankook Technodome is the Mecca of future technology and the key to leading high-tech tyre technology for mid to long term R&D strategy.

**About Hankook Tire**

Hankook Tire is one of the global top 5 companies in the mass production of tyres and manufactures 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).

Hankook continues to invest in research and development so that we can always offer our customers the highest level of quality, combined with technological excellence. At a total of five development centres and eight large scale factories around the world, the company develops and produces tyre solutions specially tailored to the requirements and needs of regional markets. 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 more than 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 Germany, UK, France, Italy, Spain, the Netherlands, Hungary, Czech Republic, Russia, Turkey, Sweden and Poland. Hankook products are sold directly through regional distributors in other local markets. Hankook Tire employ more than 22,000 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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