**Press release**

**General Motors names Hankook 2021 Supplier of the Year**

**Tyre maker honoured by GM for sixth year in a row**

**Neu-Isenburg, Germany, 31 March 2022** – General Motors has voted Hankook as a 2021 Supplier of the Year, marking the sixth year in a row that the premium tyre maker has received the coveted award. The honour is given to suppliers that consistently fulfil the Group’s high demands through innovative technologies and outstanding quality.

In the 30th year of the awards, a Group-wide jury selected the winners on the basis of performance criteria in Product Purchasing, Global Purchasing and Manufacturing Services, Customer Care and Aftersales and Logistics. In addition to Hankook, the Group afforded the distinction to 133 other suppliers from 16 countries.

Jeongho Park, Executive Vice President and Director of OE Division at Hankook Tire says: “We truly value our partnership with GM, and we are honoured to receive this annual recognition as the best-performing supplier partner for six years in a row. We believe it’s a testament to our capability to develop top-quality tyres that further boost vehicle performance as well as to our commitment to providing our customers with industry-leading solutions.”

“This year’s Supplier of the Year event was special not only because it’s the 30th anniversary of the programme, but because it provided us with the opportunity to recognise our suppliers for persevering through one of the most challenging years the industry has ever faced,” said Shilpan Amin, GM Vice President, Global Purchasing and Supply Chain. “These top suppliers showed resilience and reinforced their commitment to pursuing sustainability and innovation. Through our strong relationships and collaboration, GM and our suppliers are poised to build a brighter future for generations to come.”

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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 several European countries and sells its products through regional distributors in other local markets. Hankook Tire employs approximately 20,000 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 34 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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