



## **RENAULT-NISSAN ALLIANCE TO PROVIDE WORLD'S LARGEST EV FLEET TO INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE AT COP21**

- *Alliance to provide 200 pure electric vehicles to 2015 Paris climate conference*
- *Fleet expected to cover 400,000 km during event and emit zero emissions\* while driving*
- *Fleet comprised of Renault ZOE, Nissan LEAF and Nissan e-NV200*
- *200 Renault and Nissan employee volunteers to drive cars, alongside team of professional drivers*

PARIS (Oct. 26, 2015) — The Renault-Nissan Alliance will provide the world's largest electric-vehicle fleet ever to an international conference. As the official passenger-car provider for the United Nation's COP21 climate conference in Paris, the Alliance will provide 200 pure electric vehicles to the annual summit which runs from Nov. 30 to Dec. 11.

Together, the vehicles are expected to cover more than 400,000 km, emitting zero emissions\* while shuttling delegates during the 21<sup>st</sup> annual Conference of Parties (better known as COP21). More than 20,000 U.N. participants from 195 countries are expected to attend COP21.

"Electric vehicles are a practical and affordable mode of transportation. At the same time, they offer a solution for drastically reducing tailpipe CO<sub>2</sub> emissions. They also reduce regulated exhaust pollutants, helping us to improve the air quality in our cities. Together, the public and private sectors can accelerate the transition to a zero-emission society," said Carlos Ghosn, Chairman and CEO of the Renault-Nissan Alliance.

The COP21 car fleet will feature the Renault ZOE subcompact car, the Nissan LEAF compact car and the 7-seater Nissan e-NV200 van. The vehicles will be available to shuttle delegates 24 hours, seven days a week to and from the Le Bourget conference venue, as a complement to public transportation.

This marks the first time the U.N. will use a zero-emission or 100% electric fleet for its entire passenger-car shuttle at a climate summit

### **200 Renault and Nissan employees volunteer to drive at COP21**

The 100% electric cars will be driven by a team of 200 professional drivers and 200 volunteers from Renault and Nissan. In June, the Renault-Nissan Alliance launched a call for volunteers to allow employees in and around Paris the opportunity to be part of

COP21 as volunteer drivers. The response was overwhelming with more than 450 employees applying before the recruitment process was closed. The 200 successful Renault and Nissan applicants, as well as the professional drivers, will undergo a rigorous training program in preparation for the event.

“Renault and Nissan employees are at the forefront of the electric-vehicle revolution. Many of them already drive an electric vehicle. They are the best ambassadors to demonstrate the benefits of these cars and what zero-emission mobility is all about,” said Ghosn.

(Click here for a video of Ghosn explaining why the Renault-Nissan Alliance has chosen to participate in COP21 and the key role that Renault-Nissan employees will play):

<http://blog.alliance-renault-nissan.com/node/2732/>

The Renault-Nissan Alliance will set up network of 90 quick and standard charging stations in strategic locations with French electric utility company EDF powered by low-carbon electricity. The residual emissions will be offset under an accredited U.N. carbon offsetting program. The quick charging stations will be able to charge the EVs from 0 to 80% capacity in about 30 minutes.

The Alliance has sold more than 274,000 electric vehicles around the world, accounting for half of all EVs on the road since its first electric vehicle Nissan LEAF went on sale in late 2010.

*\*No CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and no regulated exhaust pollutants while driving, according to NEDC homologation cycle.*

## **ABOUT THE RENAULT-NISSAN ALLIANCE**

The Renault-Nissan Alliance is a strategic partnership between Paris-based Renault and Yokohama, Japan-based Nissan, which together sell one in 10 cars worldwide. The companies, which have been strategic partners since 1999, sold 8.5 million vehicles in nearly 200 countries in 2014. The Alliance has strategic collaborations with automakers including Germany's Daimler, Japan's Mitsubishi, China's Dongfeng, and India's Ashok Leyland. The Alliance also owns a majority stake in the joint venture which controls Russia's AVTOVAZ, maker of the Lada brand.

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