

## 2010

January – Renault Samsung Motors launches new Renault-based SM5 model.

March 2 Announcement at Geneva motor show that a new derivative of the V6 Alliance diesel engine will be used by Infiniti, Nissan's luxury brand.

March 17 Inauguration of Alliance plant in Chennai, India.

April 7 – The Alliance and Daimler announce a broad strategic co-operation and equity exchange that gives the Alliance a 3.1 per cent stake in Daimler and Daimler a combined 3.1 per cent in Renault and Nissan.

April 12 The Irish Government, the ESB, the nation's largest electricity utility, and the Alliance announce a comprehensive partnership to position the country as a European leader in electric transport. The Definitive Agreement includes the development of a nationwide electric car charging infrastructure by ESB, the supply of electric cars by the Alliance from 2011, as well as Government policies and incentives that will support the widespread adoption of such vehicles.

April 13 - São Paulo, Brazil, and the Alliance announce a partnership to jointly study how electric vehicles can preserve the environment in the city and also improve the quality of life in the state capital.

April 27 - Construction of the Alliance's first European plant for the production of advanced lithium-ion batteries begins in Sunderland, UK. The 25,000m<sup>2</sup> facility will be operational in early 2012 with an initial annual production capacity of 60,000 units and will supply batteries for both Nissan and Renault EVs.

May 25 - Portuguese consortium MOBI.E Tech and the Alliance partner for the promotion of electric mobility in Portugal.

June 11 - The Alliance and AvtoVAZ announce a strengthening of their cooperation aimed at ensuring the long-term viability and growth of their combined business in Russia.

June 30 Spain's Seville city council announces a partnership with the Alliance that paves the way for the introduction of electric vehicles in 2011. This agreement provides access to the Cartuja 93 Science and Technology Park for field-testing, aiding the design process for a permanent urban recharging network in Seville.

August – The SM5 is unveiled as the Renault Latitude as the Moscow motor show.

September: 10th anniversary of Renault Samsung Motors in South Korea.