

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## **Carlos Ghosn appointed President and CEO**

May 7, 2009 At the Annual General Meeting of May 6, 2009 Louis Schweitzer, Chairman of the Board of Directors, confirmed that he would not renew his directorship. The Board of Directors named Carlos Ghosn Chairman of the Board of Directors, alongside his current responsibilities, and appointed him President and CEO of Renault.

The Board of Directors also appointed Louis Schweitzer Honorary President of Renault.

Louis Schweitzer was born in July 1942 in Geneva and graduated from Sciences Po and École Nationale d'Administration. He became a Treasury auditor in 1970 and Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Laurent Fabius in 1981. Mr. Schweitzer joined the management of Renault in 1986, and became Chief Financial Officer and Head of Strategic Planning in 1988. He became Executive Vice President in 1989 and Chief Operating Officer in December 1990. He was President and Chief Executive Officer of Renault from May 1992 to April 2005, and President of the Renault-Nissan Alliance Board from May 2002 to April 2005. In March 2005, Mr. Schweitzer was named President of France's Equal Opportunities and Anti-Discrimination Commission (HALDE) by the President of the Republic for a 5-year term. He is Chairman of the Board of Astra Zeneca and a director of BNP Paribas, AB Volvo, Veolia Environnement and L'Oreal. He is Chairman of the Supervisory Board of media group Le Monde. Louis Schweitzer is a Commander of the Legion of Honor and a Grand Officer of the National Order of Merit.

Carlos Ghosn was born in Porto-Velho Brazil in March 1954. He is a graduate of École Polytechnique and École des Mines in Paris. He joined Michelin in 1978 as manager of the Le Puy plant in France. He became Chief Operating Officer of Michelin's South American activities based in Brazil before being appointed Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Michelin North America in 1989. He joined Renault as Executive Vice President in 1996. In addition to supervising Renault activities in Mercosur, he was responsible for research, automobile engineering and development, manufacturing, powertrain operations, and purchasing. Carlos Ghosn joined Nissan Motor as Chief Operating Officer in June 1999 and was named Chief Executive Officer in June 2001. President of Renault since May 2005, he remains President and CEO of Nissan. Carlos Ghosn is also a director of Alcoa and AvtoVAZ.

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