Press Release



Sodexo's sustainable development commitment recognized again in Sustainability Yearbook

Issy-les-Moulineaux, **February 23**, **2010** - For the third consecutive year, Sodexo's commitment to sustainability has earned recognition from Sustainable Asset Management (SAM) receiving two important distinctions in the 2010 Sustainability Yearbook: "SAM Sector Leader 2010" and "SAM Gold Class 2010."

The 2010 Sustainability Yearbook identifies companies that best combine economic and sustainability performance from among the world's 2,500 largest corporations.

Sodexo, world leader in Quality of Daily Life solutions, was judged to be at the forefront of its industry category, "Hotels, Restaurants, Bars & Recreational Services" based on the following criteria specific to its business: Brand Management, Food Safety, Environmental Policy / Management System, Healthy Living, Local Impact of Business, Stakeholder Engagement and Standards for Suppliers.

This distinction reinforces the credibility of Sodexo's corporate social responsibility efforts, embodied in the implementation of its new sustainability roadmap, "The Better Tomorrow Plan." With 380,000 employees in direct contact each day with 50 million consumers around the world, Sodexo is fully aware of its social and environmental contribution.

Sodexo also has been ranked 71st by Covalence on its list of the world's most ethical companies, the first year that the Group has been included. Sodexo also recently has been listed for the fourth consecutive year as "Global Super Sector Leader" by the Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes (DJSI).

Ethical indices listing Sodexo include:

- Dow Jones Sustainability Index for the World (DJSI World) and Europe (DJSI STOXX), since 2005,
- FTSE4Good Index, since its inception in 2001,
- ASPI Eurozone Index (VIGEO), since 2004,



- Business in the Community (BITC) Corporate Responsibility Index, since 2007,
- ECPI Ethical Index €uro, since 2008,
- Ethisphere, which recognized Sodexo in 2009 as among the "world's most ethical companies."

About Sodexo

Sodexo, world leader in Quality of Daily Life Solutions

Quality of Life plays an important role in the progress of individuals and the performance of organizations. Based on this conviction, Sodexo is the strategic partner for companies and institutions that place a premium on performance and well-being, as it has since Pierre Bellon founded the company in 1966. Sharing the same passion for service, Sodexo's 380,000 employees, in 80 countries design, manage and deliver an unrivaled range of On-site Service Solutions and Motivation Solutions. Sodexo has created a new form of service business that contributes to the economic, social and environmental development of the communities, regions and countries in which it operates and to the fulfillment of its employees.

Key Figures (as of August 31, 2009)

14.7 billion euro consolidated revenue

380,000 employees

33,900 sites

50 million consumers served daily

80 countries

22nd largest employer worldwide

6.7 billion euro market capitalization (as of February 22, 2010)

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