

## Sodexo Named One of the “World’s Most Ethical Companies” for Second Consecutive Year

**Issy-les-Moulineaux, France, May 11, 2010** – Sodexo, world leader in Quality of Daily Life solutions, has been named “One of the World’s Most Ethical Companies” by the Ethisphere Institute in 2010, for the second straight year. The list ranks firms according to their commitment to ethical leadership, compliance practices and corporate social responsibility.

Sodexo is one of only two French companies included on this year’s list.

Sodexo CEO Michel Landel said, *“It is a true honor for Sodexo to be listed as one of the most ethical and socially responsible companies for the second consecutive year. This award reflects the ongoing, daily efforts of Sodexo’s 380,000 employees around the world to ensure that we live up to our ethical principles and values: Service Spirit, Team Spirit and Spirit of Progress.”*

This is the fourth year that Ethisphere, a think tank dedicated to the creation, advancement, and sharing of best practices in business ethics, corporate social responsibility, anti-corruption and sustainability, is publishing the list of the World’s Most Ethical companies. The 2010 list appears in *Ethisphere Magazine’s* Q1 issue.

Ethisphere’s researchers and analysts reviewed thousands of nominations from companies in more than 100 countries and 36 industries in determining the final ranking.

The list of the “Most Ethical Companies” is compiled using a methodology that assesses various factors, including ethical codes, investment in innovation, sustainable business practices and activities designed to improve corporate citizenship. Additional information about the methodology and the complete list of the 2010 World’s Most Ethical Companies is available at <http://ethisphere.com/wme-2010>.

### 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 acts as the strategic partner for companies and institutions that place a premium on performance and employee 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 array of On-site Service Solutions and Motivation Solutions. Sodexo has created a new form of service business that contributes to the fulfillment of its employees and the economic, social and environmental development of the communities, regions and countries in which it operates.

## Group Key Figures (as of August 31, 2009)

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**14.7 billion** euro consolidated revenue  
**380,000** employees  
**22<sup>nd</sup>** largest employer worldwide  
**80** countries  
**33,900** sites  
**50 million** consumers served daily  
**7.1 billion** euro market capitalization (as of May 10, 2010)

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