

**PRESS RELEASE**

## The Manitou Group ranked among the top 5 in the Industry category of the Gaia-Index

For 2015:

- Manitou ranked ex-aequo as no. 3 in the Industry category
- No. 5 in the general classification with sales revenues greater than €500 million

**November 9, 2015, Ancenis – France** - The Manitou group maintained its position among the top 5 best performing companies with respect to CSR. That classification relates to 230 intermediate sized companies (ETI-PME in French) listed on the Paris stock exchange. Created by Ethifinance, the Gaïa-Index is the index of reference for CSR of listed intermediate sized companies. It consists of the 70 best ratings regarding CSR.

Michel Denis, President & Chief Executive Officer stated: *“We are more sensitive than ever regarding the stakes related to CSR within our sector. The Gaïa-Index ranking provides us an independent outside perspective with respect to our efforts and our ability to respond to those stakes. We're extremely proud to arrive as one of the top 5 listed "ETI-PME" for CSR. Our roadmap is clearly defined and ambitious which instills our confidence regarding our progress.”*

The Gaïa-Index reference provides an assessment of the CSR transparency and performance of small and medium-sized companies based on 123 criteria (economic, governance, human resources, environment and relationships with external stakeholders). Since its creation, this index has outperformed the CAC 40 and the CAC Mid & Small categories.

NB: As a reminder, the Manitou group was classified as no. 1 in the Industry category and no. 3 in the general classification in 2014.

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Manitou Group, world-leader in all-terrain material-handling, designs, manufactures, distributes and services equipment for construction, agriculture and the industries.

The group product ranges encompass: telehandlers, all-terrain, semi-industrial and industrial mast forklifts, skidsteers, track loaders, articulated loaders, access platforms, truck-mounted forklifts, warehousing equipment and attachments.

Through its core brands, Manitou, Gehl, and Mustang, together with its international network of 1,400 independent dealers, the group provides the best solutions delivering highest value for its customers.

Headquartered in France, the group registered in 2014 a revenue of €1.25 billion in 140 countries, and employs 3,300 people all committed to satisfying customers.