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Wwd Beauty Biz Top 100: L'Oréal Ranked #1

News Release

Each year, the WWD Beauty Biz Top 100 releases its coveted list of the world's top beauty companies. Firms are ranked by beauty sales for the calendar year, and for 2009, L'Oréal ranked #1 once again, ahead of Procter & Gamble, Unilever, Estée Lauder and Avon.

With more than 100 years of experience in the beauty industry, L'Oréal reported 2009 consolidated sales of €17.5 billion. Over the years, the Group has developed a diverse and complementary portfolio of 23 international brands(1), sold in 130 countries.

L'Oréal's international brands today include L'Oréal Professionnel, Redken, Kerastase, Matrix, L'Oréal Paris, Garnier, Maybelline New York, SoftSheen-Carson, Lancôme, Giorgio Armani, Yves Saint Laurent, Biotherm, Ralph Lauren, Kiehl's, Shu Uemura, Helena Rubinstein, Cacharel, Diesel, Vichy, La Roche-Posay, SkinCeuticals, Innéov and The Body Shop.

Over the next decade, L'Oréal's main objective is to double its customer base by targeting 1 billion new consumers, particularly in emerging markets. One way to achieve this is by concentrating on high value-added worldwide innovations at accessible prices, opening up new product categories and accelerating international expansion.

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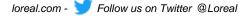
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(1) International brands with annual sales of more than 50 million euros.



About L'Oréal

L'Oréal has devoted itself to beauty for over 100 years. With its unique international portfolio of 34 diverse and complementary brands, the Group generated sales amounting to 25.8 billion euros in 2016 and employs 89,300 people worldwide. As the world's leading beauty company, L'Oréal is present across all distribution networks: mass market, department stores, pharmacies and drugstores, hair salons, travel retail, branded retail and e-commerce.

Research and innovation, and a dedicated research team of 3,870 people, are at the core of L'Oréal's strategy, working to meet beauty aspirations all over the world. L'Oréal's sustainability commitment for 2020 "Sharing Beauty With All" sets out ambitious sustainable development objectives across the Group's value chain. www.loreal.com

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