

# L'ORÉAL

**Annual General Meeting Net Profit: +24.2%,  
Dividend: +29.4% Payable On 8th June, 2001**

The Annual General Meeting of L'OREAL was held at the headquarters of UNESCO in Paris on Tuesday 29th May, 2001 under the chairmanship of Mr Lindsay OWEN-JONES, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. During his speech, he said: *"2000 was a historical year for L'Oréal, our growth rate set an all-time record level...Our confidence is further strengthened for 2001"*.

The AGM approved the financial statements for 2000. Consolidated sales amounted to Eur 12.67 billion (FF 83.12 billion). Net profit on ordinary activities before capital gains and losses, after minority interests, was over Eur 1 billion (FF 6.74 billion), giving Earnings per Share of Eur 1.52 (FF 9.96), representing an increase of 24.2%, and double-digit growth for the sixteenth year in succession.

The AGM decided on a net dividend of Eur 0.44 per share (approximately FF 2.89), which, by decision of the Board of Directors, will be paid on 8th June, 2001 by any financial intermediary. The dividend growth rate compared with 1999 is 29.4%, and the payment date is much earlier than usual.

The AGM renewed the tenure of four directors: Madame Françoise BETTENCOURT MEYERS, Mr Peter BRABECK-LETMATHE, Mr François DALLE and Mr Jean-Pierre MEYERS. Mr Guy LANDON, after a long career for which he received the congratulations of the Board of Directors, did not wish to have his tenure renewed. The AGM also appointed Mr Jean-Pierre PICARD as Substitute Auditor to replace Mr Etienne JACQUEMIN. The latter was appointed Statutory Auditor to replace Mr Patrice de MAISTRE, who resigned for personal reasons. Furthermore, the AGM renewed the authorisation usually granted to the Board of Directors for a period of 18 months enabling it to buy back the company's own shares up to a limit of 6% of the share capital.

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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](http://www.loreal.com)

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