

## Press Release

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### **FAURECIA INVESTS IN ALSENTIS TO REINFORCE ITS TECHNOLOGY ECOSYSTEM FOR SMART SURFACES**

Faurecia, one of the world's largest automotive equipment suppliers, announces an investment in the American startup Alsentis, further reinforcing its technology expertise in Smart Surfaces.

Alsentis is specialized in capacitive sensor technology and HMI allowing a unique and highly reliable haptic experience incorporating new materials and complex geometries. Alsentis solutions are already in production for the automotive industry.

**David Weill, Vice President Marketing and Business Development of Faurecia Interiors declares:**

*"Combined with our recent investments in Canatu and Tactotek\*, we have now completed a unique ecosystem enabling us to master the full smart surfaces value chain. By integrating different technologies, we are now capable of creating a new HMI experience in vehicle interiors".*

**Justin Teitt, Chief Executive Officer of Alsentis adds:** *"We are very excited to be partnering with Faurecia as we explore this next phase of smart and connected cars. We will work together to unlock the potential for HMI in automobiles."*

The investment in Alsentis was made through Faurecia Ventures. Its mission is to complement Faurecia's innovation strategy by identifying, incubating, and investing in early stage innovations to create long term value and strategic advantage for Faurecia. Focused investment themes cover both Smart Life on Board and Sustainable Mobility.

*\* Tactotek is a leading provider of solutions for plastronic technologies and processes whilst Canatu is specialized in touch films.*

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**About Faurecia**

Founded in 1997, Faurecia has grown to become a leading player in the global automotive industry. With 330 sites including 30 R&D centers in 34 countries, Faurecia is now a global leader in its three areas of business: automotive seating, interior systems and clean mobility. It supplies automakers with state-of-the-art technology to promote Smart Life on Board and Sustainable Mobility. In 2016, the Group posted total sales of €18.7 billion and had a workforce of 100,000 people. Faurecia is listed on the NYSE Euronext Paris stock exchange. For more information, visit: [www.faurecia.com](http://www.faurecia.com)

**About Alsentis**

ALSENTIS is a leading innovator in touch technologies for human-machine interfaces. With more than 30 years' experience in designing touch panels in appliance, automotive, consumer and industrial markets, ALSENTIS helps its clients deliver more beautiful products with world-class touch controls that perform reliably, even in the harshest environments.