## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## APPOINTMENT WITHIN THE AUTOMOTIVE PLATFORM (PFA) Christophe AUFRERE appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Automotive Platform



Luc CHATEL, President of the Automotive Platform (PFA), has appointed Christophe AUFRERE as Chief Executive Officer of the PFA, effective July 1, 2025.

A graduate of the Ecole Supérieure des Techniques Aéronautiques et de Construction Automobile (ESTACA), Christophe Aufrère has spent more than 34 years at the Faurecia group, which became FORVIA in 2022. Since 2017, he has held the positions of Group Chief Technology Officer (CTO) and Senior Vice President.

In this role, Christophe Aufrère was notably responsible for anticipating developments in the automotive industry, defining key future technologies, and overseeing their implementation at the Group level.

Highly committed to the automotive sector, particularly within the PFA, he chaired the Automotive Research Committee (CRA) and has been a member of the Automotive Technical Committee (CTA) since 2012. He is also a member of FISITA (International Federation of Automotive Engineers), the CAIT (Consortium for Automotive Industry and Technologies) in China, and serves on the boards of Moveo and the Jules Verne Technological Research Institute (IRT). Since April 2025, he has been President of the Society of Automotive Engineers (SIA).

"I am delighted to welcome Christophe AUFRERE as Chief Executive Officer of the PFA. I have personally come to appreciate, particularly within the Automotive Technical Committee (CTA), his extensive expertise in the sector and his strong commitment to supporting the automotive industry. Christophe is recognized by his peers in France and internationally as one of the key experts in the field and its future challenges—essential assets in contributing to the success of our ambitious roadmap, at a time when our industry faces historic challenges both in France and across Europe," said Luc CHATEL.