

**PRESS RELEASE**

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**GAUSSIN launches a €30 million fundraising in the form of simple bonds in partnership with the crowdfunding platform for sustainable development Lumo**

**This loan includes a €8 million crowdfunding component, completed by a €22 million private placement**

**GAUSSIN (ALGAU - FR0013495298)**, a pioneer of clean and smart freight transport, announces that it is raising 30 million euros in simple bonds via the crowdfunding platform Lumo, which specializes in financing projects that are part of the ecological transition. The investment period and interest rate are available online on the Lumo website after registration.

**Non-dilutive financing for shareholders**

The two partnership agreements signed bring the total financing operation to €30 million, broken down as follows:

- An offer of simple bonds within the framework of a crowdfunding financing up to 8 M€ in accordance with article L.411-2, 2° of the Monetary and Financial Code.
- A private placement of simple bonds to qualified investors or a restricted circle of investors up to €22 million in accordance with article L.411-2, 1° of the French monetary and financial code.

The 8 million euros of crowdfunding financing will be divided into several "tranches" of collection, which will follow one another. The first tranche will be posted with a target of 2 million euros, which can be increased according to the rate of subscriptions.

The fundraising, called "Innovation and Mobility", is open to all natural persons of legal age residing in the EU, as well as to legal entities based in France. All one needs to do is register with the Lumo platform and have a validated account.

The offer will be visible on the platform on May 24, 2023. Lumo users can submit investment intentions. The fundraising is expected to open the week of June 5.

The fundraising consists of simple bonds, which have the advantage of not being dilutive for shareholders. The capital is repaid at maturity and interest is paid annually. The securities are held in registered form by the issuer, GAUSSIN SA.

Investors can participate from 50€ and do not have to pay any fees.

**Financing GAUSSIN's growth**

This fundraising aims to help GAUSSIN develop its production capacity faster, at a time when the commercial dynamic is particularly promising for the Group. It also aims to support the ramp-up of the hydrogen range.

*“This fundraising will enable GAUSSIN to contribute to financing its growth and accelerate its change of dimension, in a context where the Group must meet growing demand. All this without diluting the shareholders. I am delighted that this fund-raising campaign has mobilized an informed public which has chosen to invest with sustainable development in mind. Investing in our project means supporting a French company that offers concrete solutions for clean mobility”, said Christophe Gaussin, CEO of GAUSSIN.*

*“The Lumo team is very pleased to be able to support GAUSSIN, this historic French company, which has successfully taken up the challenge of innovation in the service of an industry that needs to make the transition to a more carbon-free model,” said Olivier Houdaille, President of Lumo.*

### **Next steps**

**METALLIANCE Centenary (visit of the ATM® North America production line and demonstration of vehicles): June 16, 2023**

**METALLIANCE Open Day: June 17, 2023**

### **About GAUSSIN**

GAUSSIN is an engineering company that designs, assembles and markets innovative products and services in the field of transport and logistics. Its know-how covers the transport of goods and people, autonomous technologies for driverless use such as Automotive Guided Vehicles, and the integration of all types of batteries, particularly electric and hydrogen batteries. With more than 50,000 vehicles worldwide, GAUSSIN enjoys a strong reputation in four rapidly expanding markets: port and airport terminals, logistics and people mobility. The group has signed agreements with global companies: Qatar Airways Cargo, Maersk APMT, UPS and Amazon. Each of these partners is a world leader in its sector. GAUSSIN has expanded its business model by signing licensing agreements to accelerate the distribution of its technology throughout the world. The acquisition of METALLIANCE is the culmination of the emergence of an international group present in all segments of intelligent and clean vehicles.

GAUSSIN won twice the Dubai World Challenge - Global Competition for Autonomous Transport, in 2019 and 2021.

In January 2022, GAUSSIN successfully completed the 2022 Dakar Rally with its H2 Racing Truck®, the first hydrogen vehicle to take part in the race and generate zero CO2 emissions.

In March 2022, Christophe Gaussin was named "Hydrogen Personality of the Year" during a ceremony at the French National Assembly as part of the Hydrogénies - Trophées de l'Hydrogène.

In April 2023, GAUSSIN joined forces with the Japanese giant MACNICA to take over the assets of NAVYA, the French leader in autonomous driving, through the creation of a joint company dedicated to autonomous and clean mobility.

GAUSSIN is listed on Euronext Growth in Paris since 2010 (EURONEXT GROWTH - FR0013495298).

More information on [www.GAUSSIN.com](http://www.GAUSSIN.com)

### **About Lumo**

A crowdfunding platform founded in 2012, and a subsidiary of the Société Générale Group, Lumo aims to support the development of positive impact projects. How? By allowing individuals & companies to give meaning to their savings and participate in the ecological/social transition by financing these projects of the future.

Since its creation, more than 30,000 users have put their trust in the platform, with 130 million euros invested in companies that are making the world of tomorrow.

This commitment makes it possible to avoid the emission of 50,000 tons of CO2 per year.

Lumo is also the first French start-up to be awarded the B-Corp label, attesting to its societal, environmental, governance and public transparency requirements.

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