

News Release

Hyundai wins Manufacturer of the Year and Car of the Year at Next Green Car Awards

- Hyundai Motor UK has won three major titles at the Next Green Car Awards; Manufacturer of the Year, Car of the Year and Family Car of the Year 2018
- Overall Car of the Year and Family Car of the Year went to the revolutionary Kona Electric, capable of 449 kilometers (279 miles) of zero emissions range
- Judges praised Kona Electric for bringing long-distance EV technology to the mass market with outstanding value for money and practicality
- Hyundai continues to invest in low emissions technology, launching the NEXO Fuel Cell Vehicle in early 2019, and a total of 18 electrified models by 2025

December 13, 2018 – Hyundai Motor UK has won three major titles at the annual Next Green Car Awards, including the flagship Manufacturer of the Year and Car of the Year awards. These most recent wins come hot on the heels of Hyundai being named Electric Vehicle Manufacturer of the Year at the GreenFleet Awards.

It was the revolutionary Kona Electric singled out by Next Green Car Awards judges for special praise, picking up both Car of the Year and Family Car of the Year awards. Its extraordinary value for money and family-friendly practicality elevated it above all other contenders in the eyes of the Next Green Car experts.

The Next Green Car Awards team said: "With its 279-mile range, the Hyundai Kona Electric represents outstanding value for money when compared with rival offerings. As the first to bring a long-distance EV to mass-market customers – and with such a capable package – Hyundai's Kona Electric is NGC's Car of the Year 2018."

Kona Electric is the latest electrified model from Hyundai, joining the IONIQ in the line-up – the world's first car to be available with three separate electric powertrains; hybrid, plug-in hybrid or fully electric.

It was Hyundai's pioneering work in electrified powertrains, and the broad array of low emissions offerings in the range that led to Next Green Car Awards judges naming Hyundai as their

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Manufacturer of the Year.

The Next Green Car Awards team said: *"While Hyundai's Kona Electric has been making headlines this year, the company's plug-in activities are far more significant than just one model. Now with the IONIQ Electric, IONIQ Plug-In, and Kona Electric, Hyundai is becoming a class-leading electric brand."*

Hyundai continues to invest in low and zero emissions powertrains, and is the only manufacturer to offer hybrid, plug-in hybrid, fully electric and Fuel Cell options. The NEXO Fuel Cell Vehicle is due to go on sale early in 2019. NEXO even cleans the air as it drives, cleaning nearly a tonne of fine particulates from London's air during October's 'Clean Driving Month'.

Tony Whitehorn, Hyundai Motor UK President and CEO, said: *"We have a very clear mission to become a world-leader in electrified and fuel cell vehicles, and it gives me great pleasure to see that the big strides we have already achieved are gaining recognition. Our electric offerings, including Kona and IONIQ, represent extremely good value for money, are packed full of the latest technology and come as standard with the peace-of-mind that's afforded by Hyundai's five-year unlimited mileage and eight-year or 125,000-mile high voltage battery warranty. The future of both our fuel cell and other electrified powertrains is taking shape as we speak, but I guarantee you there's much more to come."*

Hyundai Motor Group recently revealed plans to secure a 500,000-units-a-year fuel cell electric vehicle (FCEV) production capacity by 2030, including passenger vehicles and commercial vehicles, in anticipation of high demand for global FCEVs, expanding to around two million units a year within that timeframe.

Hyundai's commitment to reducing emissions across its line-up will see a total of 18 new electrified models introduced to the range by 2025, with three new fully electric vehicles by 2022.

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About Hyundai Motor Europe HQ

Hyundai Motor Europe (HME HQ) was formally established in 2000 with its main office in Offenbach, Germany. Hyundai currently sells cars in 31 European countries through 2,500 outlets and in 2017 achieved registrations of 523,258 vehicles in the region – an increase of 3.5 percent compared to 2016 – a higher rate than the market average. 75 per cent of the vehicles Hyundai sold in the region are models designed, engineered, tested and built in Europe to meet the needs of European customers, served by the company's extensive European infrastructure. This includes two factories, one located in the Czech Republic and another in Turkey, which have a combined annual capacity of 600,000 units. Hyundai is proud to offer the youngest product line-up in Europe: 90 per cent of the models are less than two years old.

Hyundai Motor offers its unique Five Year Unlimited Mileage Warranty with all new cars sold in the region,

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providing customers with a five-year warranty with no mileage limit, five years of roadside assistance, and five years of vehicle health checks.

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Established in 1967, Hyundai Motor Company is committed to becoming a lifetime partner in automobiles and beyond with its range of world-class vehicles and mobility services offered available in more than 200 countries. Employing more than 110,000 employees worldwide, Hyundai sold more than 4.5 million vehicles globally. Hyundai Motor continues to enhance its product line-up with vehicles that are helping to build solutions for a more sustainable future, such as NEXO – the world's first dedicated hydrogen-powered SUV.

More information about Hyundai Motor Company and its products can be found at: <u>http://worldwide.hyundai.com</u> or http://globalpr.hyundai.com

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