

## News release

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### TenCate president and group director meet Dutch Royal couple during Netherlands Economic Mission to France

During the Netherlands Economic Mission to France on Friday 11 March 2016, Mr Loek de Vries, President and CEO of Royal TenCate, and Mr Frank Meurs, group director of TenCate Advanced Composites, meet in Paris His Majesty King Willem-Alexander and Her Majesty Queen Máxima of the Netherlands. This special occasion also marks the joint Airbus Group and TenCate supply agreement and the cooperation and research agreement on thermoplastic composites innovation and recycling, ensuring and expanding today's and future composite footprint on the Airbus Group products.

The strong and long relationship between the Airbus Group and TenCate is today perpetuated by underlining the joint commitment to shape the future of thermoplastic composites in aerospace as well as to ongoing innovations for thermoplastic composites. As a leading supplier of advanced composite materials for aerospace, automotive and industrial applications, TenCate Advanced Composites supplies TenCate Cetex<sup>®</sup> thermoplastic composite materials to the Airbus Group for thermoplastic composite materials in semi-structural and interior applications on programmes across the Airbus Group of companies in aeronautics, space and related services.

#### Royal assent

Mr Loek de Vries of TenCate comments: "The working relationship with our Airbus Group colleagues is based on a commitment to deliver operational excellence, cost savings and innovative and value adding solutions. Our production facility in Nijverdal is designed to follow Airbus' ramp up rates to ensure a stable and continuous supply chain to Airbus and their partners. Our thermoplastic composite solutions underline our innovation driven approach. Today's collective meeting with His Majesty King Willem-Alexander and Her Majesty Queen Máxima of the Netherlands and the management of the Airbus Group is the crowning glory of that relationship".

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