Marie-Ange Debon appointed as Keolis Group Executive Chairwoman

- The Supervisory Board of Keolis Group, under the presidency of Joël Lebreton, unanimously appointed Marie-Ange Debon as Keolis Group Executive Chairwoman, during a Supervisory Board that was held on Tuesday 28 July 2020.

- Marie-Ange Debon will begin as Keolis Group Executive Chairwoman on 24 August 2020.

Joël Lebreton, Chairman of the Supervisory Board, said: “We are delighted to welcome Marie-Ange Debon to the Group’s management. She is a committed leader, keen to reconcile growth with financial rigour. Keolis will benefit from her experience in both the public and private sectors across the world serving our passengers and our public transport authorities. She has all the qualities required to implement the strategy defined by the Supervisory Board which was confirmed last spring”.

Marie-Ange Debon added: “I am proud to be taking over management of Keolis, an innovative Group working towards shared, sustainable and inclusive mobility. I am aware of just how committed Keolis’ 68,500 employees are throughout the world. During the Covid-19 crisis, they have flawlessly fulfilled their public service remits”.

Marie-Ange Debon has held several managing positions in international groups.

From 2008 to March 2020, she was Deputy Chief Executive Officer of SUEZ Group, where she successively led the international division (€4.6bn turnover in more than 50 countries) and the French division (€5.8bn turnover, 30 000 employees). She had initially joined SUEZ Group as General Secretary when it was listed on the stock exchange in 2008.

From 1998 to 2008, she held the position of Deputy Chief Financial Officer and then General Secretary of Thomson Group, now Technicolor.

Between 1994 and 1998, she was Deputy CEO of France 3 – national television channel – after having spent four years as a Magistrate with the French Court of Auditors from 1990 to 1994.

Marie-Ange Debon is also an Administrator of listed companies and Vice-President of MEDEF International – the French Business Confederation.
Furthermore, she is Administrator for a palliative care facility in Paris.

She is a graduate of HEC Paris (1986) and the Ecole Nationale d’Administration - ENA (1989).

About Keolis
Keolis is a pioneer in developing public transport systems and works alongside public decision-makers who want to turn shared mobility systems into levers to enhance the appeal and vitality of their regions. A world leader in operating automated metro and tramway systems, Keolis is supported by a sustained and open innovative policy alongside all of its partners and subsidiaries –Kisio, EFFIA, Keolis Santé and Cykleo –to bolster its core business and develop new innovative and bespoke shared mobility solutions, including trains, buses and coaches, trolleybuses, shared car solutions, river and sea shuttle services, bike share services, car sharing, fully electric driverless shuttles and urban cable cars. In France, Keolis is the second largest parking company through its subsidiary EFFIA, and the country’s leading medical transport solution since the creation of Keolis Santé in July 2017. The Group is 70%-owned by SNCF and 30%-owned by the Caisse de Dépôt et Placement du Québec (Quebec Deposit and Investment Fund), and employs some 68,500 people in 15 countries. In 2019, it posted revenue of €6.6 billion. In 2019, 3.4 billion passengers used one of Keolis’ shared mobility services. www.keolis.com

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