

1.4 Awards

In 2015, the Group enjoyed widespread recognition from its customers and partners for the quality of its products and services, attesting to its operational excellence.

1.4.1 Innovation rewarded

- In 2015, Valeo was named one of the 100 most innovative companies in the world in the Thomson Reuters list of Top 100 Global Innovators.
- Valeo won a PACE award in 2015 for its high-performance EG (Efficiency Generator) alternator.
- The magazine *Électroniques* awarded Valeo its *Electron d'or* (Golden Electron) prize for its InBlue™ intelligent key, and Valeo and Safran won an award for their Research and Development partnership.
- At the we.CONECT Car HMI Concepts & Systems 2015 congress in Berlin (Germany), Valeo won an award in the Most Innovative HMI System category, for Mobius™, its groundbreaking human-machine interface for level-3 autonomous cars.

1.4.2 Outstanding excellence

Customers continued to recognize the high standard of the Group's performance, particularly in the area of quality.

European customers

- PSA Peugeot Citroën's "Best Supplier Plants" in 2015 included the Comfort & Driving Assistance site in Tuam (Ireland), the Visibility Systems plant in Skawina (Poland), and the Powertrain Systems plant in Campinas (Brazil). Valeo was also awarded the Special Jury Prize in recognition of the long-term partnership between PSA Peugeot Citroën and the Valeo Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems Business Group. PSA Peugeot Citroën also praised the contribution made by suppliers, including Valeo, for its touch screen, to the success of the Citroën C4 Cactus, a car that earned many distinctions, including World Car Design of the Year. The Powertrain Systems site in Campinas (Brazil) also won the Best Plant Award 2015 in South America.
- The Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems site in Ben Arous (Tunisia) won the PSA Peugeot Citroën Best Supplier Award.
- The Valeo Group won the Volkswagen Group Award, which rewards the suppliers the Volkswagen group considers best in innovation, product quality, development capability, and long-term project management.
- Toyota Motor Europe gave the Powertrain Systems plant in Czechowice (Poland) an Achievement Award for its excellent quality results and a Certificate of Recognition for its project management.
- Toyota Motor Europe awarded a Certificate of Recognition to the Visibility Systems site in Mazamet (France).
- Toyota Motor Manufacturing UK gave Quality Awards to the Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems sites in Wemding (Germany) and Nevers (France), to the Thermal Systems site

in Rakovnik (Czech Republic), to the Powertrain Systems site in Czechowice (Poland), and to the Visibility Systems sites in Angers (France), Mazamet (France) and Timisoara (Romania).

- Jaguar Land Rover ranked Valeo a Premier League Supplier.
- Groupauto International awarded Valeo Service its logistics performance prize.
- Valeo Service UK was named G-Logix Supplier of the Year by Groupauto in the UK, and Supplier of the Year 2015 by CAT (Car & Accessory Trader) magazine, the authoritative automotive aftermarket publication.
- The Visibility Systems Foshan SP site (China) earned a Volvo Trucks Supplier Quality Improvement Award.
- The Powertrain Systems site in Saint Quentin-Fallavier (France) earned a Volvo Cars Quality Excellence Award.
- The Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems site in Wemding (Germany) earned a DAF PACCAR Quality Award.

US customers

- Several Visibility Systems sites won awards from Ford: Ford Q1 Golden Award for the Foshan SP site (China); Ford Q1 Silver Award for the Hainaut site (Belgium); Ford Q1 Award for the Bursa (Turkey), Querétaro, (Mexico), and Wuhan (China) sites.
- Toyota Motor Engineering & Manufacturing North America awarded a Certificate of Achievement to Valeo Wiper Systems North America (Visibility Systems).
- Nexteer Automotive gave the Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems Rio Bravo (Mexico) site its 2014 Supplier Perfect Quality Award.
- Nissan Mexico awarded a Zero Defects Year prize to the Visibility Systems site in Querétaro (Mexico).

Asian customers

- Dongfeng Peugeot Citroën gave its Excellent Supplier Award to the Visibility Systems site in Wuhan (China).
- Shanghai General Motors gave a Lean Logistics Award to the Powertrain Systems site in Nanjing (China).
- General Motors China gave Supplier Excellence Awards to the Visibility Systems Wuhan and Foshan SP sites (China).
- Ssangyong Motor Company gave its 2015 Best Supplier Award to the Powertrain Systems Pyeong Hwa site (South Korea).
- Toyota Kirloskar Motor Ltd. gave a Zero PPM Award to the Powertrain Systems site in Pune (India).
- Toyota gave a Quality Award to the Visibility Systems site in Juarez (Mexico).
- Toyota gave a Special Recognition Award to the Powertrain Systems site in Campinas (Brazil).
- The Powertrain Systems site in Czechowice (Poland) won a Nissan Regional Quality Award.
- The Powertrain Systems Thermal Front End site in Guangzhou (China) won a Nissan China Regional Quality Award 2015. It also received a Quality Award from Nissan Dongfeng Motor Co. Ltd.
- Nissan gave a Best Cooperation Award to the Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems site in Chonburi (Thailand).
- Jiangling Motors Co. gave a Quality Improvement Award to the Visibility Systems site in Wenling (China).
- Chery gave its Best Product Development Cooperation Award to the Thermal Systems site in Shashi (China).
- FAW-Volkswagen gave an "A" ranking to the Visibility Systems site in Shenyang (China).
- FAW-Volkswagen gave a Supplier Quality Improvement Award to the Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems site in Shenzhen (China).
- Jatco awarded its Best Regional Performance prize to Valeo Unisia Transmissions (Japan), Powertrain Systems.
- Geely gave a Quality Award to the Visibility Systems site in Wenling (China).
- In South Korea, Valeo Electrical Systems Kyong Ju was awarded the Prime Minister's Prize at the 22nd Business Innovation Awards ceremony run by the Korean Chamber of Commerce and Industry, under the aegis of the Korean Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy.
- The Visibility Systems site in Wuhu (China) received a Quality Award and a Development Award from JAC Motors.
- A Quality Award was given by Great Wall to the Visibility Systems site at Wenling (China).
- Mazda gave a Good Quality Performance Award to the Visibility Systems Foshan SP site (China).
- The Powertrain Systems site in Nanjing (China) received an Excellent Engineering Development Award from Shanghai Automotive Gear Works.

The Group also received other awards for operational excellence

- In its list of Top 100 Best-Performing CEOs in the World, the prestigious Harvard Business Review ranked Valeo Chief Executive Officer Jacques Aschenbroich 14th worldwide (and first in France).
- In 2015, Valeo was awarded Top Employers certification in a total of 22 countries, with first-time certification in Egypt, the Netherlands, Russia and Tunisia. This label attests to the excellence of a company's human resources management. Of the 58 companies evaluated by the Top Employers Institute in France, Valeo ranked second, largely by virtue of its careers management competence.
- Valeo is one of the 19 French companies listed in the Euronext 2015 Low Carbon 100 Europe index, ranking first in the European automotive sector.
- Valeo was named Investor of the Year in the Czech Republic.
- The Society of Women Engineers in Detroit (United States) named Valeo as Outstanding Corporate Partner 2015.
- The Jaén regional government in Spain gave Valeo an award for its contribution to development and progress in this province.
- The Comfort & Driving Assistance Systems site in Tuam (Ireland) was named Best French Company in Ireland by the French-Irish Chamber of Commerce and NetworkIreland.
- The Visibility Systems Querétaro site in Mexico received an Environmental Excellence Award from the Mexican government's environmental protection commissioner (PROFEPA).
- At the seventh World Water Forum, the Powertrain Systems Business Group's two Kyongju sites in South Korea received awards for their endeavors to cut down drinking water consumption, allow for environmental factors when setting up new industrial processes, detect water leaks in pipes, and work with the local government on setting up a wastewater separation system to prevent groundwater pollution.