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THE MOST BEAUTIFUL AUTOMOBILES AND TRUCK OF 2005 PROCLAIMED IN MILAN

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On Friday, 21st October, the International Jury of *The World's most Beautiful Automobile* Award, that this year celebrates its 13th anniversary, met in the Trivulziana Library of the Milan's Sforza Castle. This year's novelty was the addition of truck cabs of large transport vehicles to the competition. *The World's most Beautiful Automobile* was organised with the contribution of Alcantara, while Goodyear Dunlop Tires Italia sponsored *The World's most Beautiful Truck*. The Jury was composed of Bruno Alfieri, Mario Bellini, Rossana Bossaglia, Fulvio Cinti, Elio Fiorucci, Heinz Mack, Vittorio Matino, Kenneth Noland, Mario Piazza, Antoine Prunet, Carlo Rivetti, Bruno Sacco and Massimo Vignelli.

Marshalled on the Piazza d'Armi of the Castle were coupés, roadsters, saloons, flagships, city-cars, SUVs, off-roaders and sports cars created by Alfa Romeo, Aston Martin, Audi, Bentley, BMW, Chevrolet, Chrysler, Citroën, Fiat, Fulda, Jaguar, Jeep, Lamborghini, Land Rover, Lexus, Mercedes-Benz, Nissan, Peugeot, Pininfarina, Porsche, Renault, Seat, Skoda, Studiotorino, Toyota and Volkswagen. The trucks produced by Iveco, Mercedes-Benz, Renault and Volvo were lined up on the Piazza del Cannone.

After a thorough examination, the Jury proclaimed the winners: for the city- and small car category, the Toyota Aygo with 14 points (second place went to the Citroën C1 with 9 points); for the midsize two-volume saloons, the Fiat Grande Punto with 18 points (second the Renault Clio III with 6 points); for the midsize three-volume saloons, the Alfa Romeo 159 with 16 points (second the BMW 3-Series with 9 points); for the large saloons, the Citroën C6 with 20 points (second the Lexus GS 300 with 5 points); the Daimler Super Eight with 10 points for the limousines (second the Mercedes-Benz S-Class with 9 points); the BMW Z4 Coupé with 10 points for the coupé and coupé-cabriolet category (second the Peugeot 307 CC with 8 points); for the sports cars the Lamborghini Gallardo Spyder with 13 points (second the Aston Martin V8 Vantage with 11 points); for the station wagons the Audi A6 Avant with 8 points (second the BMW 3-Series Touring with 7 points); for the multipurpose vehicles the Nissan Murano with 15 points (second the Nissan Pathfinder with 4 points); for the off-roaders the Range Rover Sport with 18 points. The Jury also decided to assign four Special awards respectively to the Peugeot 1007 for the innovative design, the Pininfarina Birdcage 75th for the quality of the concept car, the Maybach Exelero for the style refinement and the RK Spyder by Alfredo Stola's Studiotorino for relaunching the spirit of custom-made GTs. The most beautiful truck of 2005 was the Renault Magnum with 13 points (second the Volvo FH16 550 HP "Black Metal" with 10 points).

The International Jury decided unanimously to assign a Special award to Patrick le Quément for the extraordinary formal quality of the automobiles and trucks designed at the Technocentre Renault.

The prizes will be awarded on 3rd March 2006 at the Milan Triennale during the Car Design Day, this time devoted to the automobile of the future.

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