

## PressRelease

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### European paper industry welcomes Valmet as a new partner

The Confederation of European Paper Industries (CEPI) is happy to announce a new partnership with Valmet. CEPI and Valmet have already collaborated in the past, notably on the European Paper Week. The new status will deepen an established good relationship, to include areas of common interest.

More specifically, Valmet will gain a clear and in-depth insight of the issues the pulp and paper industry is facing, with the opportunity to be part of CEPI's activities with its stakeholders. CEPI will gain knowledge and expertise, building on its ever-strong eco-system around industry suppliers with the ultimate goal of strengthening its innovation agenda. "Valmet and CEPI have a lot to gain from this partnership. It is a privilege to collaborate with such a highly-valued industry supplier and we are very excited to see where this partnership will lead us", says Marco Mensink, CEPI's Director General.

Valmet Corporation is the leading global developer and supplier of technologies, automation and services for the pulp, paper and energy industries. Valmet's services cover everything from maintenance outsourcing to mill and plant improvements and spare parts. Their strong technology offering includes pulp mills, tissue, board and paper production lines, as well as power plants for bio-energy production.

This is the second new partnership for CEPI in 2015, with Pöyry having joined the programme in March. The partnership programme, launched in 2011, currently includes Buckman, Pöyry, Omya, Valmet and Voith. It is open to machine and chemical suppliers active in the pulp, paper or board industry with a direct link to paper manufacturing.

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### Note to the Editor

#### CEPI aisbl - The Confederation of European Paper Industries

The Confederation of European Paper Industries (CEPI) is a Brussels-based non-profit organisation regrouping the European pulp and paper industry and championing industry's achievements and the benefits of its products. Through its 18 member countries (17 European Union members plus Norway) CEPI represents some 515 pulp, paper and board producing companies across Europe, ranging from small and medium sized companies to multi-nationals, and 940 paper mills. Together they represent 23% of world production. Website: [www.cepi.org](http://www.cepi.org)

The European Paper Week is an annual three-day high-level event taking place in Brussels. This year's event will be organised 17-19 November. Website: [www.cepi.org/epw](http://www.cepi.org/epw)