Daikin partners with West Yorkshire Combined Authority to boost green initiatives and job creation

**Brussels, 14 January – Daikin, alongside Centrica, SSE Energy Solutions and Sustainable Building Services, has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the West Yorkshire Combined Authority, United Kingdom, to help create a greener, more secure future for the region.**

**Contribute to West Yorkshire's goal of achieving net zero by 2038**

Daikin will launch at least three Sustainable Home Centres across West Yorkshire. These will allow residents and businesses to learn more about green technologies that could reduce their energy consumption and bills.

The initiative will also focus on equipping local installers with the skills required to meet the growing demand for heat pump installations, supporting West Yorkshire’s goal to achieve net zero by 2038. The centres aim to create high-quality jobs while addressing the twin challenges of energy efficiency and affordability.

Hiroyasu Ishikawa, former Managing Director of Daikin UK (Managing Director of Daikin Central Europe since 1 January 2025), expressed pride in supporting West Yorkshire’s ambitious sustainability plans, stating, "The Sustainable Home Centres are crucial in empowering individuals and businesses to make meaningful contributions to reducing their carbon footprint. This initiative not only helps achieve environmental goals but also creates stable, well-paid jobs in the green economy."

**Partnerships with local authorities to accelerate carbon reduction**

In February 2023, Daikin also signed a partnership with Greater Manchester Combined Authority to retrofit homes and boost for net zero energy. Daikin’s engagement with Greater Manchester and West Yorkshire reflects its broader strategy of addressing global challenges through local action.

Daikin aims to be carbon neutral over the full lifecycle of its products by 2050. Partnering with cities and communities in pursuit of shared carbon neutrality goals, provides important opportunities to scale carbon reduction results from heating and cooling, and develop knowledge of how heat pump technology contributes to this.

“Strong partnerships with local authorities are essential for driving actual progress toward carbon neutrality. Daikin’s collaborations in the UK show how global expertise can be integrated with local initiatives to create a sustainable future”, says Takayuki Kamekawa, Vice President Sales at Daikin Europe.

Reflecting on the UK partnerships, Hiroyasu Ishikawa stated, “These partnerships demonstrate Daikin’s ability to combine technological expertise with local insights to drive impactful change. I am excited to see these collaborations evolve and continue to deliver positive outcomes for communities in the UK and beyond.”

**About Daikin Europe N.V.**

The Daikin Europe Group is a leading provider of heating, cooling, ventilation, air purification and refrigeration (HVAC-R) technology in Europe, Middle East, and Africa. Daikin Europe caters to a diverse customer base within this region by designing, manufacturing, and marketing an extensive range of products, maintenance services, and turnkey solutions tailored for residential, commercial, and industrial applications. The company employs over 13,800 employees through 59 subsidiaries and operates 15 manufacturing sites in Europe (12), Turkey (1) and the Middle East (2). Daikin’s refrigeration products are available under the Daikin, Tewis, Zanotti, Hubbard, and AHT brands. Headquartered in Ostend, Belgium, for over 50 years, the Daikin Europe group is a subsidiary of the global group Daikin Industries.

**About Daikin Industries Ltd.**

Daikin Industries is a global leader in heat pump, air conditioning and air filtration technology. The company employs over 98,000 employees world-wide. Founded in Osaka in 1924, it is the only manufacturer in the world that develops and manufactures heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and refrigeration equipment, as well as compressors and refrigerants in-house. Daikin was named one of the world’s top 100 most innovative companies by Clarivate (UK) and LexisNexis (USA), recognized for its leadership in technology research and intellectual property patents. For its fiscal year 2023 Daikin reported a record sales result of € 28 billion sales (1 April 2023 – 31 March 2024).

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