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Longines and SolarStratos take on the solar challenge

Longines and SolarStratos are proud to announce their collaboration, making Longines the Official Partner and Timekeeper of this unique adventure. Driven by a pioneering spirit since its beginnings, the Swiss watchmaking brand has always produced watches and instruments that have contribute to the success of various exploits, thanks to their reliability, accuracy and original technology. With the high-flying debute of SolarStratos, Longines' support in the new eco-exploration makes it the ideal partner for conquering the the stratosphere with solar energy.



Renowned for the reliability of its precision instruments, the winged hourglass brand has accompanied exploration missions to the final frontiers, faced extreme weather conditions, sailed rough seas, and participated in the opening of airways and in setting aviation records. Legendary aviators and explorers, such as Amelia Earhart, Paul-Emile Victor, Elinor Smith, and Howard Hugues, all placed their trust in Longines during their journeys.

Today, Longines remains faithful to its pioneering spirit in teaming up with Raphaël Domjan, the man behind the SolarStratos Mission, and holder of several records achieved using solar energy. The eco-explorer and pilot is delighted with the new partnership with Longines: "We are happy that Longines, a brand that has accompanied so many legendary adventurers in their exploits, is now Main Partner of the SolarStratos odyssey!" For Longines CEO Matthias Breschan, getting involved in a project such as SolarStratos is innovative and full of promise for the new generations: "We want to encourage future generations to surpass themselves, because being a pioneer is above all a state of mind and that is still the case today. Bringing together courage and mental strength makes it possible to overcome obstacles and push back frontiers. We are very happy to be part of this magnificent solar adventure."

SolarStratos would like to thank Longines for their trust and support and looks forward to continuing the ecoadventure alongside them. SolarStratos also thanks all of its other loyal partners who continue to support the project despite the difficult economic times.

About Longines Spirit

With the Longines Spirit collection, Longines presents timepieces that are a testimony to the brand's pioneering spirit. Linking history with innovation, these pieces combine the traditional features of pilots' watches with contemporary lines and codes. Equiped with state-of-theart technology and extremely precise movements, all models in this collection are Chronometer-certified.

About SolarStratos, "To the edge of space"

SolarStratos is an adventure by the SolarXplorers SA group. This mission, initiated by the Swiss eco-explorer Raphaël Domjan in 2014, pursues the goal of achieving the first solar stratospheric flight.

Beyond technological innovations, SolarStratos aims to promote renewable energies by demonstrating that concepts and projects that seemed inconceivable a few years ago are now possible thanks to the technologies available today, which are still in their infancy, particularly in terms of solar-powered aviation.

SolarStratos also aims to demonstrate that with today's technologies it is possible to achieve feats that exceed the potential of fossil fuels, and to fly at high altitudes, where no electric aircraft has yet ventured, without emitting pollution and without creating an impact on the environment.

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