



## VEOLIA OPENS NEW DUBAI HEADQUARTERS

**Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Feb. 23, 2014** – Environmental services leader Veolia has today demonstrated its commitment to supporting the creation of jobs and knowledge transfer in the United Arab Emirates by opening its new regional headquarters in Dubai.

Speaking at the inauguration of Veolia's new Dubai headquarters in Business Village, Patrice Fonlladosa, President and CEO of Veolia Middle East and Africa, said: "With the opening of our new office in Dubai, Veolia is clearly strengthening its long term commitment to the UAE. We are now better positioned to develop business ventures, strategic initiatives, local partnerships and, most importantly, local talent."

"From personal experience I have seen the benefits world class companies can bring to countries, through investment, training of Emirati nationals and sharing of best practices in fields such as research and education," Fonlladosa added.

Veolia has recently been recognized as a leading international company contributing to Dubai. The Dubai Chamber of Commerce last month awarded its prestigious Corporate Social Responsibility Label for Veolia's work commitment to incorporating CSR initiatives across all aspects of its business in the UAE.

Xavier Joseph, Veolia Chief Executive Officer for Gulf Countries, said: "We look forward to supporting Dubai's efforts to create a more knowledge based economy, especially ahead of Dubai Expo 2020."

Veolia is a global leader in environmental solutions. It has been operating in the Middle East for 20 years and has approximately 4,000 of employees. The company provides tailored solutions to meet the needs of municipal and industrial customers in the three areas of water management, waste management and energy management.

### About Veolia

**Veolia Environnement** (Paris Euronext: VIE and NYSE: VE) is the worldwide reference in environmental solutions. With 220,000 employees\*, the company has operations all around the world and provides tailored solutions to meet the needs of municipal and industrial customers in three complementary segments: water management, waste management and energy management. Veolia Environnement recorded revenue of €29.4 billion\* in 2012. [www.veolia.com](http://www.veolia.com)

(\* ) Excluding Transdev employees and revenues currently under divestment