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*Collaboration with Moulin Rouge*

**Paris at night with the Eurosat ‒ CanCan Coaster**

***The dark-ride coaster Eurosat, a landmark of Europa-Park’s French themed area, as well as the square around the giant sphere, founded in 1989, have been extensively modified and shine in a new light. The rails and cables of the Eurosat ‒ CanCan Coaster have been completely renewed, with the technology and theming also undergone a generous overhaul. Visitors will now experience a special dark-ride coaster taking them through illuminated Paris. The entire façade has likewise been given a vivid new look and, in line with the well-known sight ‘Moulin Rouge’ ‒ a Parisian bastion of fun and entertainment since 1889 ‒ it has been attractively designed displaying the rich culture and history of France, making it an unforgettable experience for visitors. At the back of the iconic silver globe Eurosat Coastiality offers a worldwide unique virtual reality experience.***

**Prominent appearance: Variety Theatre Moulin Rouge gets new façade**

Europa-Park is world-famous for its detailed and realistic design. The redesigned façade, in front of the French themed area’s landmark, is greeting passengers now with a true-to-life replica of the Parisian variety theatre Moulin Rouge. The attractive redesign references the well-known sight and invites visitors to dive into Paris of the 19th century. A ride on the Eurosat - CanCan Coaster evokes the times of the Belle Epoque and allows visitors to experience a night rollercoaster ride of a very special kind. Germany's largest theme park honours the vaudeville theatre with, alongside other iconic Parisian symbols, a faithful replica of the red mill which is run today by the third generation of the Clerico family and is already supported by the fourth generation. Cancan is a French style of dance that was created around the year 1830 and is still performed by dancers at the Moulin Rouge in the Montmartre district. Europa-Park is the first theme park worldwide to cooperate with the world-famous variety theatre.

**Track layout almost identical to original**

Since the end of the 2017 summer season, the French themed area of Europa-Park has undergone extensive construction, with a focus on the 45-metre-high dark rollercoaster Eurosat which, since 1989, has safely transported more than 80 million people through its characteristic sphere. The rails, alongside all other technical aspects, as well as the theming are completely revised. The ride, created by Mack Rides, provides a significantly improved riding experience thanks to innovations and advancements in rail manufacturing by the Waldkirch company. In memory of the inventor Franz Mack, and at the request of the owner family Mack, the track layout is very close to the original in the futuristic silver ball, and therefore continues to be around 900 meters long. Reconstruction of the ride took ten month to be completed.

**Worldwide unique VR experience**

As part of the redesign, MackMedia has created yet another new virtual reality experience in Europe's most popular theme park – Eurosat Coastiality which starts at the back of the iconic silver globe. In order to create the innovative ride experience, a second station with shift track and separate trains was integrated into the dark ride rollercoaster. There are now two attractions in one ride, using the same route – a world first!

The second novelty can be experienced before the actual VR rollercoaster ride as visitors will be able to put on their VR headset in a pre-show room. What follows is completely new: with the VR headset on, and within virtual reality, visitors not only walk to the train via the train station, but also get into Eurosat Coastiality without having to remove the VR headset in between. What then seamlessly follows is the innovative VR ride on the rollercoaster.

**Madame Freudenreich Curiosités and further innovations**

Part of the innovations of the French themed area is, since the middle of August, also the new family attraction “Madame Freudenreich Curiosités”.Visitors are able to experience various exciting scenarios in the house of dinosaur fans. They have the chance to discover many prehistoric artefacts from these great giants of the past. Then, heading past Dino-Selfies with Ms. Freudenreich and down to the former wine cellar, visitors will find a dinosaur breeding farm amidst a lush garden, where the Dinos are fed with delicious Gugelhupf and many other surprises are waiting to be discovered.

Further innovations of the French area include a floating bistro boat with seating for around 60 people across two floors, the new traditional Flammkuchen stand, and the water fountain show “Fraternité” that will entertain visitors every half hour with different French music. Newly developed soundtracks from Mack Music, for the attractions Eurosat – CanCan Coaster and Madame Freudenreich Curiosités, will complete the experience with their authentic and catchy tunes.

The extensive redesigns pay homage to the rich culture of France, its history, and the unique way of life in the neighbouring country.

**Information about Moulin Rouge**

*Moulin Rouge lets visitors enter a magical world which spectacularly presents, shares, and reinvents the emotions, surprises, and passions (rather than anxieties) of 1889 Parisian nightlife. A cabaret and public ball for its grand opening, a legendary variety theatre during the Golden Twenties, and a stage where famous French and international artists performed: The Moulin Rouge and its 60 artists are currently presenting their Revue Féerie, a two-hour show full of magic, dancing pictures, and stunning acts, not forgetting the legendary dance originating from Moulin Rouge, the French Cancan. Every evening, the world of theatre invites visitors to dream, with original French music, a thousand costumes full of feathers, crystals, and sequins, outstanding performances, and splendid decorations. The craftsmen in the behind-the-scenes workshops are also very enthusiastic. Thanks to their talent and unique savoir-faire, the plumassiers, shoemakers, embroiderers, and tailors hand-craft stunning tailored costumes, shoes, and accessories that make it possible for the artists to give everything on stage and create an unforgettable performance.*

*Whether for a champagne-tasting evening full of performance, or a dinner show featuring refined dishes designed by Chef David Le Quellec, Moulin Rouge welcomes guests from France and around the world to its original location, at the foot of the Montmartre hill, to share with them in a unique celebration full of emotion and excitement.*

*Europa-Park is open throughout the summer season from 24th March 2018 to 4th November 2018 daily from 9am to 6pm (longer opening hours during peak season).* *For further information call: +49 7822 / 77 66 88 or visit* [*www.europapark.de*](http://www.europapark.de) *|* [*@EuropaParkUK*](http://www.twitter.com/europaparkuk)