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#LConTour: LEXUS LC TO MAKE UK DEBUT AT THE GOODWOOD FESTIVAL OF SPEED

New luxury coupe leads Lexus line-up on display and in action on the hill climb

Brussels, Belgium -

- Goodwood Festival of Speed to host the official UK debut of the Lexus LC
- Luxury coupe to be driven on the famous hill climb course by international racing stars Mike Conway, Alex Wurz and Scott Pruett
- Lexus LFA, RC F and GS F also set to appear on the hill climb
- LC to be the central attraction on the Lexus stand, alongside the RC F and GS F high-performance models, RC coupe, NX crossover and RX SUV

The new Lexus LC is to make a suitably prestigious debut appearance in the UK, on display and in action at the Goodwood Festival of Speed (23 to 26 June).

The internationally famous automotive celebration in the grounds of Goodwood House in Sussex will provide a fitting stage for the LC, a luxury coupe that has attracted huge critical and popular acclaim for its revolutionary styling since it first broke cover at the Detroit motor show earlier this year.

A V8-powered LC 500 will be appearing in the "First Glance" category on the hill climb, reserved for exciting new models ahead of their market launch. Driving duties will be shared by Mike Conway, scheduled to be at Goodwood fresh from competing with the Toyota Gazoo Racing team at the Le Mans 24 Hours; Scott Pruett, a multiple Grand Am champion with Lexus in North America who is currently racing an RC F in IMSA GT3 sportscar competition; and former Formula 1 and Toyota Gazoo Racing pilot Alex Wurz.

Festival-goers will be able to take a close-up look at the LC on the Lexus stand, where it will take pride of place alongside the LFA supercar, RC F, and GS F, together with F Sport versions of Lexus's latest hybrid models – the RC 300h coupe, NX 300h crossover and RX 450h luxury SUV.

The LC, Lexus's flagship coupe, will be launched in spring 2017 with two powertrain options. The full hybrid LC 500h will feature a 3.5-litre V6 petrol engine and Lexus's all-new Multi Stage Hybrid System, engineered to deliver more direct response for authentic high performance. The LC 500 will be equipped with a 5.0-litre V8 petrol engine coupled to a new 10-speed automatic transmission – a world first for a luxury vehicle. The LC is the first model to be built on Lexus's all-new GA-L platform, designed to deliver a much sharper and more refined driving experience.

Lexus will also be taking part in the Moving Motor Show, the curtain-raiser to the festival on 23 June. Members of the public will be able to take test drives of the high performance Lexus RC F and GS F coupes within the Goodwood estate

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Launched in 1989, Lexus has become renowned throughout the world for its pursuit of perfection, the outstanding quality and sophisticated high-technology content of its products, and for its unique concept of complete customer service. Further reinforcing the traditional Lexus values of unparalleled build quality, interior luxury and state-of-the-art technology, the L-finesse design philosophy represents a highly significant factor in positioning Lexus as a uniquely desirable global brand. Today, Lexus remains the first - and only - premium automotive manufacturer to offer a comprehensive full-hybrid model range comprising the RX 450h, the GS 450h, the LS 600h and the CT 200h. In Europe, models featuring Lexus Hybrid Drive account for 60% of all Lexus sales. Lexus sold 42,637 vehicles in Europe in 2011, an increase of 40% vs 2010.