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## EUROMCONTACT REPORT ON THE STATISTIC ON THE MARKET FOR 2019 IS NOW AVAILABLE

On 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020, EUROMCONTACT publishes the market data for 2019 for soft contact lens and lens care products. This is the 17<sup>th</sup> year report of EUROMCONTACT, based on compilation of quarterly statistics provided by contributing companies. In 2019, the contact lens market in 33 countries experienced an increase of 8.8% in comparison with 2018, reaching the value of  $\in$  1, 960 million. On a comparable basis (as not all countries had data in all segments in '18 and '19), the growth is 4.3%. For the European Union, Switzerland and Norway (EU+), the increase is 3.7% representing  $\in$  1, 695 million.

As in the previous year, the market of United-Kingdom and Ireland represents the largest market, representing € 355 m and a growth of 5.4% in comparison with 2018. The biggest growth was experienced in Russia, with 115.2% (7.1% on a comparable basis).

In 2019, the total market value split was 55.1% daily disposable (DD), 44.4% reusable (weekly/bi-weekly and monthly (W/B-W&M)) and 0.5% conventional soft lenses(CS). The DD segment continued to grow, with a growth of 13,7% (5.2% on a comparable basis); followed by W/B-W&M with a growth of 3,4%.

Sweden and Denmark are the countries where penetration of contact lenses is the highest with 14.7% of people wearing contact lenses, followed by Norway (11,1%). Across all these 33 markets there are 21.7 million wearers, a growth of +5.7% in 2019.

The contact lens products market represented a value of  $\in$  211 million in 2019.

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