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The Volkswagen Arteon: New premium fastback combines avant-garde design and dynamic handling

- Four-door fastback implements new progressive Volkswagen design language
- Headlights and Volkswagen emblem merge into a wholly new interpretation of the front section

Wolfsburg, 28.November 2016 – Three months ahead of its world premiere at the Geneva Motor Show, Volkswagen is providing a first look at the fascinating contours of its new top model, the Arteon. The totally new developed model is positioned above the Passat and emphasises emotionality in the upper mid-class.

In addition to a new and very emotive outline, Volkswagen is also introducing with the Arteon a highly expressive, horizontally accentuated brand look. The bars of the radiator grille extend here into the three-dimensional front headlights, while LED lighting elements additionally emphasise the striking layout and demonstrate dominance.

The four-door fastback impresses both through revolutionary design and great practical value in use. While the doors' frameless windows reflect the typical stylistic elements of a grand tourer, the top-hinged and wide-opening tailgate provides optimum access to the huge boot. Tobias Sühlmann, Volkswagen Exterior Designer, explains: "At first sight, the Arteon arouses enthusiasm through its expressive design. It then surprises through its practical virtues. This combination is unique!"

The name Arteon – with the emphasis put on the first syllable – is made up of two component parts: 'Art' describes the fastback's harmonious lines and emotionality. The ending 'eon' identifies it, in the same way as Volkswagen's top model for the Chinese market, the Phideon, as a premium model.

The new Arteon is being publicly unveiled for the first time at the Geneva Motor Show; its launch will then follow in summer 2017.

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