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## M Group signs strategic cooperation agreement with Saur

Saur, a global provider of water and wastewater management services and technical innovation, and M Group, the leading provider of infrastructure services in the UK and Ireland, have signed a strategic agreement to explore mutually beneficial collaboration opportunities in the UK water sector.

Together, Saur and M Group will tackle the pressing challenges of the UK water industry and deliver smarter and more resilient infrastructure.

Saur and M Group will explore opportunities based on their joint expertise in the UK and across the world of delivering, maintaining, and operating network distribution, collection, and treatment assets. Using established, globally deployed digital technologies and proven proactive operations and maintenance approaches, the organisations will work collaboratively with clients to enhance water resources management and optimise water and wastewater asset performance.

This agreement represents a shared ambition to innovate with purpose. Several joint pilot projects are planned across the UK starting in 2025, with the goal of delivering measurable benefits for the water sector, local communities, and customers.

**Iain Sutherland, Managing Director of M Group Water**: "We can overcome some of society's biggest challenges through greater collaboration. By bringing together the best of M Group and Saur, we're even better placed to face into wider sector challenges to deliver an infrastructure that keeps our country running both now and in the future."

**Luís de Lope, CEO of Saur International**: "Working with M Group marks a strategic milestone in enhancing our capacity to address the infrastructure challenges of the future in the UK. By joining forces, Saur Group is laying the groundwork for more integrated, sustainable, and forward-thinking solutions, fully aligned with our shared development goals. We are confident that this collaboration will bring fresh perspectives and drive meaningful progress in tackling the evolving challenges of the water sector."

About Saur:



As the first water company to issue blue bonds in 2024, Saur is pioneering the integration of environmental responsibility and financial innovation, offering high-quality services and smart water solutions to all, from small towns to large cities and industrial clients, while protecting the environment.

Guided by our purpose "to advocate that everyone gives water the value it deserves," Saur serves 20 million consumers and partners with 9,200 local authorities and industrial clients. In 2024, the Group achieved over €2.3 billion in revenue and employed 12,000 people worldwide, operating in over 25 countries, including Cyprus, Finland, France, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Saudi Arabia, Spain, United-Kingdom, United States of America. We provide essential water distribution, wastewater treatment, and smart water solutions to communities and industries.

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## About M Group:

M Group delivers infrastructure services across water, energy, highways, rail and aviation and telecom, to private and public sector organisations across the UK and Ireland. With more than 11,000 people, across 200 locations and a heritage of more than a century, the business has the scale, broad capabilities and deep expertise to help clients keep the country running and support all aspects of life. There's a demand to maintain, renew and reimagine right across infrastructure and few are better placed than M Group to deliver essential infrastructure for life.

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