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TRIUMPH FOR DIEGO GIACOMETTI FROM THE COLLECTION OF HUBERT DE GIVENCHY 100% SOLD - ACHIEVED €32,7M/£28,1M/\$34,5M - NEW AUCTION RECORD



Paris – On 6 March 2017, Christie's *The Giacomettis of Hubert de Givenchy* auction achieved a total of €32,748,500/£28,157,160/\$34,523,469 with 100% of the lots sold above their pre-sale estimate. The top price of the evening was Diego Giacometti's octagonal *table aux caryatides et atlantes*, executed circa 1980 which realised €4,162,500 (estimate: €600,000-800,000) establishing a new auction record for the artist. Active international biddings demonstrated the continued demand for exceptional pieces with prestigious provenance. Hubert de Givenchy's long collaboration and friendship with Diego Giacometti started in the 1960's when Givenchy met him for the first time thanks to Gustav Zumsteg, the director of the fabric company *Abraham*. The latter offered Givenchy his first piece by Diego Giacometti, a *gueridon*, sold tonight for €674,500 (estimate: €150,000-200,000). During decades, he will commission numerous pieces of furniture and decorative art works such as a pair of *Trees of life* sold €2,706,500 (estimate: €300,000-500,000).

François de Ricqlès, President of Christie's France: "We are very proud of these extraordinary results. Thanks to Hubert de Givenchy's elegance and perfect taste, this sale was a beautiful tribute to Diego Giacometti whose new auction record established tonight confirms his position as one of the most talented artists of the 20th century".

High energy was present in the Christie's Paris saleroom from the very beginning of the evening, opening with the poetic *Tourterelle*, which far exceeded its pre-sale estimate (€20,000-30,000) and realised €194,500 (estimate: €20,000-30,000). The enthusiasm continued throughout the sale with further standout results for the first piece

Hubert de Givenchy ever commissioned to Diego Giacometti : the *Grande console aux cerfs*, which sold for €2,650,500 (estimate: €400,000-600,000). Noteworthy prices were also realised for the white plaster lantern selling for €2,258,500 and for the *paire de photophores au cerf* which realised €818,500. Alberto Giacometti's gilt bronze *Coupe* was sold for €1,322,500 after a long lasting battle between three bidders sitting in the room.

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[All sold prices include buyer's premium]

Lots vendus : 21		Total : €32,748,500 / £28,157,160 / \$34,523,469 €1 = £0.8598 / \$1.0542	100% par lot
Nombre de lots : 21			100% en valeur
Lot	Description	Estimation (€)	Prix réalisé
16	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Table octogonale aux caryatides et atlantes, vers 1980</i> NEW AUCTION RECORD FOR THE ARTIST	600,000 – 800,000	€4,162,500 £3,578,918 \$4,388,108
7	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Grande table octogonale aux caryatides et atlantes, vers 1983</i>	800,000 – 1,200,000	€3,770,500 £3,241,876 \$3,974,861
11	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Grande table octogonale aux caryatides et atlantes, vers 1983</i>	800,000 – 1,200,000	€3,266,500 £2,808,537 \$3,443,544
4	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Paire d’arbres de vie ou Arbres à l’oiseau et à l’escargot, vers 1968</i>	300,000 – 500,000	€2,706,500 £2,327,049 \$2,853,192
6	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Grande table console aux cerfs, vers 1968</i>	400,000 – 600,000	€2,650,500 £2,278,900 \$2,794,157
13	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Lanterne, vers 1983</i>	300,000 – 400,000	€2,258,500 £1,941,858 \$2,380,911
12	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Ensemble de quatre tabourets en X, troisième version, vers 1983</i>	300,000 – 500,000	€1,802,500 £1,549,790 \$1,900,196
20	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Paire de tables basses à la levrette Bucky, coupelle, teckel Lippo et niche, vers 1978</i>	400,000 – 600,000	€1,802,500 £1,549,790 \$1,900,196
14	DIEGO GIACOMETTI 1902-1985 <i>Deux tables basses à l’oiseau et coupelle, vers 1970</i>	300,000 – 500,000	€1,682,500 £1,446,614 \$1,773,692
15	ALBERTO GIACOMETTI 1901-1966 <i>Coupe, vers 1949</i>	200,000 – 300,000	€1,322,500 £1,137,086 \$1,394,180
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