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The highlights of the 2016 ADAC Rallye Deutschland

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Munich/Trier, 16 August 2016 – All eyes in the rally world are on Trier and the surroundings where the ADAC Rallye Deutschland will take place between 18 and 21 August 2016. Explosive rally action will be guaranteed when World Champion Sébastien Ogier and the other WRC stars tackle the 18 Special Stages of the FIA World Rally Championship. Below is a summary of all the highlights that rally fans can look forward to at this year's ADAC Rallye Deutschland, plus some useful information.

Thursday, 18 August 2016

Shakedown Konz (4.55km, from 09:30 hours): a "rally before the rally", the Konz Shakedown is certain to whet the fans' appetite for the next three days. **Tip for fans:** Kommlingen Arena. It is staged along both slopes of a small valley very easy to oversee. €20 Shakedown passes will be available on site. Admission is free for holders of rally passes.

Show Start at the Porta Nigra in Trier (from 20:00 hours): the official start against the backdrop of the illuminated Porta Nigra is a must for rally-racing enthusiasts. **Tip for fans:** Hauptmarkt. Beginning at 19:30 hours, the WRC stars will be signing autographs here. Admission to the autograph signing session and the Show Start is free.

Friday, 19 August 2016

SS 1 & 3 Mittelmosel (22.00km, 10:03 hours & 14:58 hours): the ADAC Rallye Deutschland starts right in the Mosel vineyards. The five hillside spectator areas offer numerous viewpoints. **Tip for fans:** Weierbach Kehre (switchback). Here, spectators can enjoy the rally spectacular in an amphitheatre-like setting.

SS 2 & 4 Moselland (23.38km, 10:44 hours & 15:36 hours): narrow vineyard service roads, tight turns and vicious crossroads – this is the Moselland Special Stage. Really up-close, fans will take in intense rally action at the spectator areas. **Tip for fans:** Panoramastraße (panoramic road). Here, high above the Mosel, the WRC cars are in view for a long time, and you can walk down through the vineyard to the walls.

SS 5 Ollmuth (8.21km, 18:12 hours): this all-new Special Stage is very close to Trier. At this very challenging circuit stage, to be completed twice, the drivers will attack narrow rural roads, tight corners and tricky crests at the highest rally-racing speeds. **Tip for fans:** natural spectator stands. The spacious hillside area puts a good two thirds of the stage into view.

Saturday, 20 August 2016

SS 6 & 11 Freisen-Westrich (14.73km, 08:15 hours & 15:28 hours): the Special Stage between the Saarland and Palatinate regions is back on the itinerary of the ADAC Rallye Deutschland. The numerous ascents and descents with many kinks will make drivers feel like on a roller coaster. **Tip for fans:** Eckersweiler. This spectator area is close to a serviced camping and motorhome site.

SS 7 & 12 Bosenberg (14.45km, 08:41 hours & 15:54 hours): this challenging Saarland Special Stage takes the competitors along the prominent landmark hill near the town of St. Wendel. The smallest mistake can cost a lot of time on the angled country roads and woodland passages. **Tip for fans:** Reitscheid. The spacious hillside spectator area affords prime views.

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WP 8, 9 & 13 Arena Panzerplatte (2.87km, 10:17 hours, 10:25 hours & 17:30 hours): there will be three Panzerplatte Sprints. This course with good visibility almost throughout will be run twice in immediate succession in the morning. **Tip for fans:** Panzerplatte Turm (tower). Located at the highest point of the area, it is the perfect place to watch the battle of the top rally drivers against the clock.

Extra tip for fans: the supporting events at the Baumholder military range are just as exciting as the rally action itself. For instance, there will be a rolling exhibit of historic Volkswagen rally cars to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Volkswagen Motorsport. And ŠKODA will hold its own 'corso'. Numerous stands with sweepstakes will be set up. Rally taxi rides will be drawn directly on the Panzerplatte. The lucky winners will take a ride in the co-driver's seat of historic Volkswagen rally cars or a ŠKODA 130 RS driven by former German rally champion Matthias Kahle on the Sprint course of the Panzerplatte. Volkswagen and ADAC will erect a 100m² video wall to show exciting live footage of the Sprint stages at the Große Platte spectator point. The supporting events are scheduled between 13:00 and 16:00 hours.

SS 10 & 14 Panzerplatte Long (40.80km, 10:46 hours & 17:48 hours): the supreme stage in the ADAC Rallye Deutschland is an extreme test of the drivers and cars. More often than not, the overall winner is determined at this Special Stage. Popular places are the notorious Hinkelstein boulders lining the road and the legendary Gina jump. **Tip for fans:** EVERYTHING. Each spectator area on the Baumholder military range has its own attractions.

Sunday, 21 August 2016

SS 15 & 17 Dhrontal (14.79km, 07:13 hours & 09:47 hours): this Special Stage in the steep vineyards northeast of Trier is notorious for its many hairpin bends. **Tip for fans:** Galeria Dhron. This spectator area is one of the rally's hotspots, offering the fans a panoramic top-down view of nine uphill hairpin corners.

SS 16 & 18 Sauertal (14.84km, 08:42 hours & 12:08 hours): the 2015 opening SS near the Luxembourg border is this year's final stage. At this new Power Stage, bonus WRC points are up for grabs. **Tip for fans:** Kersch. From here, the public will be able to follow the rally cars into the finish line on a length of over one kilometre.

Podium ceremony at the Porta Nigra in Trier (15:00 hours): it all ends where it started – at the famous Porta Nigra. Against the backdrop of the ancient Roman gate, fans will have ample opportunity to celebrate the best drivers of the German WRC event. **Tip for fans:** for the insiders it may be the last occasion to hunt for some winner autographs. Admission is free.

Rally up-close at the Service Park in Trier

The Service Park on the Trier fairgrounds is the best place to watch the teams at work. This is also the spot to explore the theme presentations set up by the various car makers and partners of the ADAC Rallye Deutschland. Volkswagen will be present with a big exhibit of historic rally vehicles, including a 1986 Golf II GTI Group A. A faithful replica of this car will be used as the O car. It will be driven by three-time ADAC Rallye Deutschland winner Dieter Depping (1994, 1996, 1997) as the opening car on every Special Stage of the ADAC Rallye Deutschland. At the Trier Service Park, you will also find numerous fan shops as well as eating/shopping, sanitary and other facilities. **Tip for fans:** Jägerkaserne. This car park offers the best access, since there are no parking spaces at the Service Park itself nor opposite, along the B49.

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Scheduled arrival times for the first cars at the Service Park in Trier:

Thursday, 18 August 2016, open around the clock, no set service times

Friday, 19 August 2016	13:37 hours	19:07 hours	
Saturday, 20 August 2016	06:32 hours	13:30 hours	20:12 hours
Sunday, 21 August 2016	06:12 hours	13:01 hours	

Tip for fans: Meet the Crews. To end the rally day, the fans should not miss dropping by at the Trier Service Park. On the central stage, the three best-placed drivers will give their account of the day in a public press conference.

ADAC Rallye Deutschland on the Internet, in radio and TV coverage

The first and foremost source of information on the 2016 ADAC Rallye Deutschland is the Internet. For important safety instructions and a video of WRC star Thierry Neuville giving valuable safety tips for the German WRC event go to www.adac.de/rallye-deutschland (click on "Zuschauer" or "Spectators"). You will also find the current schedule, detailed maps, information regarding the spectator guidance system, an overview of all car parks and info points including exact GPS coordinates. Further information includes addresses for accommodation and a list of camping locations in the rally region. There is also an overview of reserved handicapped parking and spectator spots. **Tip for fans:** Rally Hub. To access the content of all social media (Twitter, Facebook, Instagram and YouTube), go to the ADAC Rallye Deutschland Rally Hub at www.adac.de/rallyehub.

RPR1. rally radio will broadcast up-to-the-minute ADAC Rallye Deutschland information for the spectators. There will be regular rally news reports and valuable traffic updates for those travelling to or from the Special Stages on the Eifel-Saar-Mosel regional frequencies (Trier: 102.9 FM; Mosel: 100.1 FM; Luxembourg/Saarland: 102.6 FM). The ADAC Rallye Deutschland will also receive good coverage on TV. A total of 55 international TV channels will cover the event. In Germany, the WRC event will be mainly covered by the Sport1 and Sport1+ channels. Below is the broadcast schedule:

Sport1:

Friday, 19 August 2016	23:15-00:00 hours	1st day highlights
Saturday, 20 August 2016	19:30-20:00 hours	2nd day highlights
Sunday, 21 August 2016	14:30-15:30 hours	Summary
	23:00-00:00 hours	Summary (repeat)

Sport1+:

Friday, 19 August 2016	00:05-00:40 hours	1st day highlights
Saturday, 20 August 2016	22:25-22:50 hours	2nd day highlights
Sunday, 21 August 2016	12:00-13:00 hours	Power Stage LIVE
Monday, 22 August 2016	01:05-01:50 hours	Summary

Rally passes still available on-site

Anyone who does not yet have a rally pass need not miss out on the ADAC Rallye Deutschland. Even after on-line advance sales have ended, last-minute rally fans will have the opportunity to personally purchase passes at numerous outlets and offices. The rally pass costs €80 (not including the programme brochure and no discount for ADAC members) and is available at the following points of sale:

Trier ADAC local office, Fleischstr. 14, 54290 Trier
Koblenz ADAC local office, Viktoriastr. 15, 56068 Koblenz

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Idar-Oberstein ADAC local office, John-F.-Kennedy-Str. 7, 55743 Idar-Oberstein
Saarbrücken ADAC local office, Untertürkheimer Str. 39-41, 66117 Saarbrücken
Trier rally headquarters, Hotel Park Plaza, Nikolaus-Koch-Platz 1, 54290 Trier
Service Park Trier, Messepark Trier, In den Moselauen, 54294 Trier
Trier tourist info, An der Porta Nigra, 54290 Trier

There are several last-minute pass options for rally fans on site: for as little as €20, they can get the Special Stage pass, entitling them to visit one Special Stage and the Service Park in Trier. The price is the same for any Special Stage, except for the Arena Panzerplatte on the Baumholder military range, which offers a much more extensive programme than other Special Stages. A pass for the Arena Panzerplatte (incl. Service Park) costs €25 on site. Fans who want to visit the Service Park only pay €5 for a day pass. For an overview of the prices and points of sale go to www.adac.de/rallye-deutschland (click on "Tickets").

The official magazine of the 2016 ADAC Rallye Deutschland

On 80 loaded pages, the official Rally Magazine offers its readers the essential information on drivers, teams, the itinerary and spectator areas of the 2016 ADAC Rallye Deutschland. Exciting background stories, exclusive interviews, an attractive sweepstake and many fascinating rally topics round off the rally magazine. Detailed maps including the official large Spectator Map are further sources of information for diehard rally fans. The magazine is available for €5 at www.adac.de/rallye-deutschland. It is also available from the ADAC Rallye Deutschland ticket shop by calling +49 261 13 03 300 or sending an e-mail to ticket@rallye-deutschland.de. It comes free with the 4-day rally pass. It will be available at the on-site ticket offices at the Shakedown and the usual ticket points during the whole event.

ADAC Rallye Deutschland information:

The ADAC Rallye Deutschland has a unique world-wide reputation. Its mix of hairpin stages in the Mosel vineyards, tough tracks on the Baumholder tank range and fast asphalt roads presents extreme challenges for both teams and drivers. This mix requires excellent driving skills and versatility. Diversity, high-class action and closeness to the fans are the ingredients that make the ADAC Rallye Deutschland such an attractive package for spectators as well. Year after year, this major event draws enthusiastic crowds from all over Europe, giving it a special, international atmosphere.

Rallye Guide 2/Road Books/Media Safety Book available for downloading

Download the documents here:

www.adac-rallye-deutschland.de/de/safety/static/

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