



## STAGE FLASH

**Date:** 21 August 2015  
**Day:** 1  
**Stage:** Sauertal 1  
**Weather:** 16 degrees, sunny  
**Track:** dry, partly damp in corners

**Flash N°: 1**  
**Distance: 14.84 km**

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1	OGIER Sébastien/INGRASSIA Julien	FRA/FRA	VOLKSWAGEN Polo R WRC	"Slightly difficult. I had to be careful in parts where the sun wasn't shining yet. I didn't take too many risks."
2	LATVALA Jari-Matti/ANTTILA Miiikka	FIN/FIN	VOLKSWAGEN Polo R WRC	"We had brake problems. I couldn't really find the braking points."
4	ØSTBERG Mads/ANDERSSON Jonas	NOR/SWE	CITROËN DS 3 WRC	"A very cautious start. I didn't want to take too many risks."
9	MIKKELSEN Andreas/FLØENE Ola	NOR/NOR	VOLKSWAGEN Polo R WRC	"Very cautious. The rally is long."
7	NEUVILLE Thierry/GILSOUL Nicolas	BEL/BEL	HYUNDAI i20 WRC	"The road is very dirty in the tight corners. I had to be really careful. I am not happy, because I didn't drive as smoothly as I wanted, but I didn't take too many risks."
3	MEEKE Kris/NAGLE Paul	GBR/IRL	CITROËN DS 3 WRC	"I am happy with my driving, but not with my time. I don't know where I lost the time."
5	EVANS Elfyn/BARRITT Daniel	GBR/GBR	FORD Fiesta RS WRC	"A lot of dirt in the tight corners. I had to steer very hard. It is nice to see so many spectators along the stage."
6	TÄNAK Ott/MÖLDER Raigo	EST/EST	FORD Fiesta RS WRC	Off the road into a field right after the start. "I had brake problems."
20	PADDON Haydon/KENNARD John	NZL/NZL	HYUNDAI i20 WRC	"A difficult stage. It is hard to find a good rhythm."
8	SORDO Dani/MARTÍ Marc	ESP/ESP	HYUNDAI i20 WRC	"I am not happy with my performance. It seems that I can't use the full power of my car."
10	ABBRING Kevin/MARSHALL Sebastian	NDL/GBR	HYUNDAI i20 WRC	"The first two kilometres after the start are very difficult, a lot of dirt on the road. I spun. This stage is quite short, but very challenging."

12	LEFEBVRE Stéphane/PRÉVOT Stéphane	FRA/BEL	CITROËN DS 3 WRC
"I am very happy. It was a good start for me. A good performance and I am happy with my time."			
22	MELICHÁREK Jaroslav/MELICHÁREK Erik	SVK/SVK	FORD Fiesta RS WRC
"A short stage, but one has to be very careful. Cutting the corners is difficult, because it is very slippery."			
24	DELECOUR François/SAVIGNONI Dominique	FRA/FRA	PORSCHE 911 GT3
"We have some kind of private Porsche duel with Dumas, we are looking forward to the rally."			
39	LAPPI Esapekka/FERM Janne	FIN/FIN	ŠKODA Fabia R5
"I am feeling really well on the tarmac, but there was some horse sh.. on the road."			
38	AL-ATTIYAH Nasser/BAUMEL Matthieu	QAT/FRA	ŠKODA Fabia R5
Into a ditch some 2 km after the start, spectators got the car back on the road. Bodywork parts torn off on the left front side of the car.			
40	KREMER Armin/WINKLHOFER Pirmin	DEU/DEU	ŠKODA Fabia R5
"A good car, a good team. I know this rally well. This was a promising start. My goal is a podium finish."			
43	MAURIN Julien/KLINGER Nicolas	FRA/FRA	FORD Fiesta RRC
"I spun after the start, I lost a lot of time. The road is very slippery."			
44	CAMILLI Eric/VEILLAS Benjamin	FRA/FRA	FORD Fiesta R5
"I am happy to be back on tarmac. A podium finish is my goal. I didn't take too many risks."			
45	KOPECKÝ Jan/DRESLER Pavel	CZE/CZE	ŠKODA Fabia R5
"I have fond memories of this rally. I love the event. This stage was a fantastic start for me."			
48	KREIM Fabian/CHRISTIAN Frank	DEU/DEU	ŠKODA Fabia R5
"A good start of this rally. I made one little mistake, but it is okay so far."			