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Facts and figures from the Central European Rally

- **More kilometres against the clock, shorter total distance: More route improvements**
- **1,000 volunteers per day on duty at round twelve of the FIA World Rally Championship (WRC)**
- **Numerous measures contribute to the sustainability goals of the CER**

With special stages in three European countries, the Central European Rally, now in its third year, is probably the most international event on the FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) calendar. The pan-European collaboration at the twelfth of this year's 14 WRC rallies has been improved again, with each leg leading through at least two countries – Friday actually features outings in all three organising nations! Here are the key facts and figures from the rally, which takes place from 16th to 19th October 2025.

Route (figures are rounded)

1,457 km	is the total distance of the rally. That makes the route 130 km shorter than last year's. This is because the liaison stages between the special stages have been shortened.
306 km	is the total length of the 18 special stages – that is roughly one percent longer than last year.
150 km	of the special stages are totally new and have never formed part of a WRC rally before.
26.52 km	is the length of the "Mühltal" special stage (SS 16/18), which is classed as the "Wolf Powerstage" on Sunday's second loop. As such, the longest special stage on the entire rally is the final one.
14 days	is how long it takes to prepare the special stage routes. It starts with the marking of spectator zones and signposting of routes. The no parking zones are then signposted one week prior to the event.
5 days	before the teams roll over the start ramp, the organisers ensure the special stages are completely ready for the competition. On the Tuesday of the rally week, the routes are inspected together with the FIA's safety experts.
3	is the number of special stage routes in Germany and the Czech Republic. Two of these are completely new: Czech stages "Col de Jan" (SS 05/06) and "Keply" (SS 10/12), and the "Made in FRG" (09/14) and "Golf und Therme" (01/02) special stages in Germany. Part of the "Golf und Therme" stage is also used for the Shakedown.
2	stages are located in Austria.
1	special stage crosses the border between Germany and Austria, underlining the character of the CER: the "Beyond Borders" stage (SS 15/17) is tackled on Sunday.

Safety

Roughly 3,000 people in each of the three countries are active every day on the special stages – from the police and law enforcement agencies to transport services, car park



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	attendants and ticket sellers. 1,000 of them are spectator marshals, who are responsible for the service and safety on special stages.
Roughly 23 km	of mobile barriers – known as “onion sacks” – clearly demarcate spectator zones. The robust plastic can be used for several years, helping to reduce waste.
Roughly 60 km	of barrier tape is required to mark out safety zones, and to indicate safe, convenient and environmentally-friendly paths to spectator points.
More than 60	people per day are on hand as medical personnel for the rally circus alone during the event, in order to ensure they are on the scene fast in case of a crash.
24	MICs (Medical Intervention Cars) are distributed across the special stages to provide rapid medical assistance.
3 to 5	medical points are set up for spectators on each special stage. They are contact points for problems and provide access to an ambulance as well as specialist staff.

Organisational Team

Almost 200	people make up the extended organisational team. They include sports commissioners, DEKRA technical commissioners, the document inspection team, which is mainly voluntary, and many other roles.
More than 40	people form Rally Control – the heart of the event while the competition is ongoing. This is where all the information from the special stages comes together. As well as the team from the FIA and the route marshals, crowd control, police and emergency services are also represented: a strong team to ensure the Central European Rally runs smoothly and safely.
12	people form the core of the organisational team, who work all year round on preparations for the Central European Rally.

Spectators

90,000	watched the four-day Central European Rally last year.
36	official spectator points are set up along the special stages. As well as catering and sanitary facilities, they also offer many other services. They are also designed to be environmentally friendly and cause as little disruption as possible to residents – with regard to parking places and signposting, for example.
22	eco marshals are employed at official spectator points. They help fans to behave in an environmentally-friendly manner.

Sustainability Measures

100	document pouches for competing teams have been made from discarded advertising banners from last year’s CER.
22	honorary awards are made in local workshops by persons with disabilities.
20	members make up the CER sustainability team. Over the course of the year, they plan an extensive catalogue of measures to make the event more sustainable.
3	stars: the rating awarded to the inaugural CER by the FIA Environmental Accreditation – the highest level of sustainability certificate awarded by the International Automobile Federation

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