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DTM Oschersleben: Advantage Audi

- **Martin Tomczyk travels to Oschersleben as new leader of the standings**
- **Five Audi victories at the first seven races of the 2011 season**
- **Motorsport Arena has always suited Audi particularly well**

Ingolstadt, September 9, 2011 – Audi 5, Mercedes-Benz 2. The interim statistics in the 2011 DTM send a clear message. And from September 16 to 18 the Motorsport Arena Oschersleben is a track on the calendar that has suited Audi particularly well in recent years.

The brand with the four rings has won four of the last seven DTM races at Oschersleben since its return to the series with a manufacturer's commitment. Five times an Audi A4 DTM has started from the top grid position and as many as four times the front row belonged only to the brand from Ingolstadt.

The first pole position for the Audi A4 DTM at Oschersleben was clinched in 2004 by a certain Martin Tomczyk. Seven years later the 29-year-old is traveling to the circuit in the flatlands around Magdeburg as the leader of the standings and three-time winner this season. The driver from Audi Sport Team Phoenix scored points at all seven races in 2011, was on podium five times and never finished below fifth place. If the driver from Rosenheim, Bavaria, who is living in Switzerland continues this way, then he will have excellent chances of becoming the third German champion in the "new" DTM that has been held since 2000, following Bernd Schneider and Timo Scheider – and, what's more, as the driver of a "used car."

Mathematically, seven drivers still have chances of winning the prestigious title: Martin Tomczyk, his immediate rival Bruno Spengler, Mattias Ekström, Timo Scheider, Jamie Green, Mike Rockenfeller and Ralf Schumacher. From a realistic perspective, however, the title fight has narrowed down to the duel between Tomczyk and Spengler who before the last three rounds are separated by only one point.

As was most recently the case at Brands Hatch, positioning as many Audi A4 DTM cars in front of Spengler will be a crucial factor. So the fact that Tomczyk's brand colleagues like the Oschersleben circuit as he does comes in handy – first and foremost Timo Scheider, who won at the Motorsport Arena in 2008 and 2009 and who missed a possible hat-trick in 2010 only due to a puncture. His team-mates from Audi Sport Team Abt Sportsline, Mattias Ekström and Mike Rockenfeller, have previously mounted the DTM podium at Oschersleben too. Rahel Frey managed this feat in Formula 3. Edoardo Mortara, who achieved a strong third-place finish at Brands Hatch, secured the title in the Formula 3 Euro Series at Oschersleben in 2010. Filipe Albuquerque even lived at Oschersleben for a while. And Oliver Jarvis and Miguel Molina like the track as well.

So the Audi squad has good prerequisites for raising the score in the prestige duel against Mercedes-Benz to 6-2 and to extend its overall lead. Mercedes, a strong competitor, of course will do everything within their means to strike back after two consecutive defeats. ARD will broadcast the third from last DTM race of the year live on Sunday, September 18, starting at 1:45 p.m., CEST.

Other topics of the weekend

- How will the Hankook tires perform at Oschersleben?
- Will all three Audi teams again be able to fight for podium positions?
- Will Rahel Frey be able to continue the good performance she showed at Brands Hatch?
- Will Miguel Molina finally score his first point of the season?

Quotes by the officials

Dr. Wolfgang Ullrich (Head of Audi Motorsport): “The great result at Brands Hatch provides additional motivation to the whole team. It would certainly be good if we could take the momentum from there to Oschersleben with us. We're in a very balanced situation. Martin (Tomczyk) is leading by just one point. The decision must now be made in the last three races. Being on a roll as we are after this one-two-three result, we'll all try to take advantage of it.”

Hans-Jürgen Abt (Team Director Audi Sport Team Abt Sportsline): “We've got fond memories of Oschersleben. But the hot phase in the battle for the title is starting now. We'll try as best we can to support Martin (Tomczyk). A driver of a year-old car winning the championship would be a historic topic. The team will do everything

within its means at Oschersleben to show the kind of performance it did at Brands Hatch.”

Ernst Moser (Team Director Audi Sport Team Phoenix): “Naturally, a one-point lead in the standings by Martin Tomczyk is not a cushion. But it may be the crucial point at the end of the season ...! The result at Brands Hatch has helped us; our self-confidence continues to rise. Martin is in good spirits, and so is the team. Oschersleben suits us well and it helps not having so much weight on board. Rahel Frey’s curve is clearly pointing upward. She drove the ninth-fastest lap at Brands Hatch and was always quick. Although a spin and an excursion prevented a really good result, we want to continue her good development.”

Arno Zensen (Team Director Audi Sport Team Rosberg): “At Oschersleben we clinched our first podium place with Audi. At Brands Hatch we most recently mounted the podium for the second time. Of course we want to continue to ride the wave of success from that weekend. Besides Edoardo Mortara, Filipe Albuquerque drove a good race as well. I’d be pleased to see him also finish in the points next time. I’m optimistic.”

Facts and quotes by the Audi drivers

Filipe Albuquerque (26/P), TV Movie Audi A4 DTM #18 (Audi Sport Team Rosberg)

- Already knows Oschersleben from junior racing series
- Briefly lived in the Magdeburg flatlands

“Oschersleben is the DTM track I know best. While contesting Formula Renault I was even living with my team in Oschersleben some of the time. I’ve got many fond memories of this track. I’m hoping for my results in the DTM to improve now and that I’ll finally be able to clinch the good result I’ve been working hard to achieve.”

Mattias Ekström (33/S), Red Bull Audi A4 DTM #8 (Audi Sport Team Abt Sportsline)

- Celebrated second place at Brands Hatch and is now in third place of the standings
- The two-time DTM Champion has never won at Oschersleben before

“At Oschersleben I’ve had some good as well as some bad races. This year I simply want to experience a good weekend in every respect and show my maximum performance. We’ve got to wait and see whether it’ll be a podium, a victory or just a result among the top five. I remain modest. I’ve been going back and forth between

happy feelings and disappointment only too often. I'm hoping for a flawless weekend from Friday to Sunday and to be able to show a top performance."

Rahel Frey (25/CH), Glamour Audi A4 DTM #15 (Audi Sport Team Phoenix)

- Most recently, at Brands Hatch, set the ninth-best lap time
- Clinched a podium place in Formula 3 at Oschersleben in 2009

"I'm very much looking forward to Oschersleben. In Formula 3 I even mounted the podium there, in third place. I know the circuit pretty well. It is a very technical, demanding track. It'll be a big challenge. It's important to fully run over the kerbs in the chicane in the DTM car. You also have to drive like that in the last sector in order to take momentum with you."

Oliver Jarvis (27/GB), Audi Sport performance cars A4 DTM #5 (Audi Sport Team Abt)

- Has started from rows two and three at previous events at Oschersleben
- Just barely missed a points finish at Brands Hatch

"Oschersleben is one of the toughest tracks on the calendar for our race cars. But I do consider this circuit one of my favorites and have some successes there. Hopefully, I'll manage a good result for Audi. Especially in the chicane you've got to drive very aggressively. It's easy to lose a lot of time here."

Miguel Molina (22/E), Red Bull Audi A4 DTM #22 (Audi Sport Team Abt Junior)

- Started from the fourth row at Brands Hatch
- After several collisions was forced to retire from his race in England
- Is still waiting to score his first point this season

"Unfortunately, my race at Oschersleben was very short last year. I was involved in an accident right on the first lap. But that doesn't change the fact that I really like this track and can remember well how to tackle this race. The set-up is important and the car has to show a certain jumping behavior on the high kerbs. At the same time, it has to be well balanced in the fast, longer corners. I'll give everything to achieve a good result."

Edoardo Mortara (24/I/F), Playboy Audi A4 DTM #19 (Audi Sport Team Rosberg)

- The DTM rookie clinched his first podium position at Brands Hatch
- The Rosberg racer, as the best newcomer of the season, is ranking in eighth place of the standings

"After the podium result at Brands Hatch I'm definitely looking forward to Oschersleben. But I don't know exactly what to expect at the next run. Our aim is for me to finish among the top eight. I don't know the track very well yet. I've only been

there once before, in Formula 3 last year. It could still become a nice weekend because Audi has always been pretty good there.”

Mike Rockenfeller (27/D), E-POSTBRIEF Audi A4 DTM #9 (Audi Sport Team Abt Sportsline)

- At Brands Hatch, started from his first pole position in the DTM
- Clinched his first DTM podium result at Oschersleben in 2007

“Like at Brands Hatch, I’ll try to make a good showing in qualifying. If possible, I want to move all the way to the front. And then my goal is to win the race. Technically, the circuit is very demanding. I like the track and have been very successful there. We’ll probably have very close gaps again.”

Timo Scheider (32/D), AUTO TEST Audi A4 DTM #4 (Audi Sport Team Abt)

- In 2008 and 2009 was the winner at Oschersleben in the Audi A4 DTM
- Was in contention for victory last year until suffering a puncture

“Oschersleben is linked to the strongest emotions in my DTM career. My first DTM victory will always be very special. The first champion’s title followed in the same year. That’s what makes this so very special. I really like Oschersleben a lot, even though I can’t name a specific reason why. I feel comfortable on this track from the first turn onward. I can quickly tell where the car starts to reach its limits and don’t have to cautiously approach this first. I’m traveling there with a very positive feeling.”

Martin Tomczyk (29/D), Schaeffler Audi A4 DTM #14 (Audi Sport Team Phoenix)

- Travels to Oschersleben as the new leader of the standings
- Has already clinched three podium places there

“I’m arriving at the next race as the hunted. Oschersleben has always been a great weekend for Audi in the past. Of course I’m hoping it’ll be the same again this year. There are many long corners that have always suited our Audi A4 DTM well.”

The Audi drivers in the 2011 DTM

Filipe Albuquerque (P): * Jun 13, 1985 in Coimbra (P); residence: Coimbra (P); single; height: 1.74 m; weight: 64 kg; Audi driver since 2011; DTM races: 7; pole positions: 0; victories: 0 (best result: 8th place); fastest laps: 0; points: 1; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: –

Mattias Ekström (S): * Jul 14, 1978 in Falun (S); residence: Salenstein (CH); single (partner Heidi), one son (Mats); height: 1.83 m; weight: 79 kg; Audi driver since

2001; DTM races: 111; pole positions: 17; victories: 15; fastest laps: 11; points: 5113; DTM titles: 2 (2004, 2007); best result, DTM Oschersleben: 2

Rahel Frey (CH): * Feb 23, 1986 in Niederbipp (CH); residence: Aedermannsdorf (CH); single; height: 1.63 m; weight: 50 kg; Audi driver since 2011; DTM races: 7; pole positions: 0; victories: 0 (best result: 15th place) fastest laps: 0; points: 0; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: –

Oliver Jarvis (GB): * Jan 09, 1984 in Burwell (GB); residence: Ermatingen (CH); single; height: 1.80 m; weight: 70 kg; Audi driver since 2008; DTM races: 39; pole positions: 1; victories: 0 (best result: 2nd place); fastest laps: 0; points: 51; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: 13

Miguel Molina (E): * Feb 17, 1989 in Girona (E); residence: Lloret de Mar (E); single; height: 1.75 m; weight: 62 kg; Audi driver since 2010; DTM races: 18; pole positions: 0; victories: 0 (best result: 4th place); fastest laps: 1; points: 15; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: –

Edoardo Mortara (I/F): * Jan 12, 1987 in Geneva (CH); residence: Geneva (CH); single; height: 1.82 m; weight: 75 kg; Audi driver since 2011; DTM races: 7; pole positions: 0; victories: 0 (best result: 3rd place); fastest laps: 0; points: 15; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: –

Mike Rockenfeller (D): * Oct 31, 1983 in Neuwied (D); residence: Altnau (CH); single; height: 1.75 m; weight: 67 kg; Audi driver since 2007; DTM races: 48; pole positions: 1; victories: 1; fastest laps: 2; points: 66; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: 3

Timo Scheider (D): * Nov 11, 1978 in Lahnstein (D); residence: Lochau (A); single, (partner Jessica), one son (Loris); height: 1.78 m; weight: 74 kg; Audi driver since 2006; DTM races: 116; pole positions: 9; victories: 6; fastest laps: 7; points: 348; DTM titles: 2 (2008, 2009); best result, DTM Oschersleben: 1

Martin Tomczyk (D): * Dec 07, 1981 in Rosenheim (D); residence: Aesch/Basel (CH); single (partner Christina); height: 1.88 m; weight: 75 kg; Audi driver since 2001; DTM races: 110; pole positions: 8; victories: 7; fastest laps: 6; points: 299; DTM titles: 0; best result, DTM Oschersleben: 2

2011 DTM point standings

1 Martin Tomczyk (Audi A4 DTM)	50 points
2 Bruno Spengler (Mercedes-Benz)	49 points
3 Mattias Ekström (Audi A4 DTM)	29 points
4 Timo Scheider (Audi A4 DTM)	29 points
5 Jamie Green (Mercedes-Benz)	25 points
6 Mike Rockenfeller (Audi A4 DTM)	23 points
7 Ralf Schumacher (Mercedes-Benz)	21 points
8 Edoardo Mortara (Audi A4 DTM)	15 points
9 Gary Paffett (Mercedes-Benz)	15 points
10 Oliver Jarvis (Audi A4 DTM)	10 points
11 Maro Engel (Mercedes-Benz)	3 points
12 Tom Kristensen (Audi A4 DTM)	2 points
13 David Coulthard (Mercedes-Benz)	1 point
14 Filipe Albuquerque (Audi A4 DTM)	1 point

2011 DTM season interim statistics

Victories: Mercedes-Benz 2; Audi 5
Pole positions: Mercedes-Benz 4; Audi 3
Fastest laps: Mercedes-Benz 4; Audi 3
Leading laps: Mercedes-Benz 135; Audi 235

Audi DTM statistics

Pole positions: 61
Victories: 59
Fastest laps: 50
Champion's titles: 7 (1990, 1991, 2002, 2004, 2007, 2008, 2009)

All Oschersleben winners since 2000

2000 Manuel Reuter (Opel), Manuel Reuter (Opel), Uwe Alzen (Opel), Bernd Schneider (Mercedes-Benz)
2001 Marcel Fässler (Mercedes-Benz)
2004 Tom Kristensen (Audi)
2005 Gary Paffett (Mercedes-Benz)
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2008 Timo Scheider (Audi)

2009 Timo Scheider (Audi)

2010 Paul Di Resta (Mercedes-Benz)

Track info

Track length: 3.696 km

Race distance: 50 laps = 184.800 km

DTM qualifying record on this track: Timo Scheider (Audi), 1m 21.146s = 163.971 km/h (April 19, 2008)

DTM race record on this track: Timo Scheider (Audi), 1m 22.991s = 160.326 km/h (September 19, 2010)

Pole position 2010: Paul Di Resta (Mercedes-Benz), 1m 21.394s = 163.472 km/h (September 18, 2010)

Fastest lap 2010: Timo Scheider (Audi), 1m 22.991s = 160.326 km/h (September 19, 2010)

Turnout 2010: 62,000

TV live rating 2010: 1.12 million/8.6 % market share (Source: ARD)

Filipe Albuquerque about Oschersleben: "I won the last time I raced at Oschersleben in a junior series. The track is very technical and the large number of bends – turns 1, 3 and 4 – are very challenging. The chicane is difficult because you have to be able to assess exactly how to drive over the kerbs. It'll certainly be totally different in a DTM car than before with a formula car. The tarmac was very gentle to the tires on my race car when I've driven there, but it can be totally different in touring car racing. Overtaking is very difficult around this track. The first and sixth corner are probably the most suitable ones to attack, and not to forget the entry to the 'S' on the back straight. If you make a small mistake you're quickly overtaken yourself."

2010 flashback

By clinching third place at Oschersleben Mattias Ekström maintained his title chances. Timo Scheider on the other hand retired from the title race, losing the chance for victory due to a puncture. With Mike Rockenfeller and Alexandre Prémat on positions five and six Audi Sport Team Phoenix scored twice. Martin Tomczyk in eighth place grabbed one point in his 100th DTM race.

2010 results

1 Paul Di Resta (Mercedes) 50 laps in 1h 11m 05.254s

2 Bruno Spengler (Mercedes) + 1.271s



3 Mattias Ekström (Audi A4 DTM) + 3.562s
4 Gary Paffett (Mercedes) + 4.602s
5 Mike Rockenfeller (Audi A4 DTM) + 21.896s
6 Alexandre Prémat (Audi A4 DTM) + 26.001s
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8 Martin Tomczyk (Audi A4 DTM) + 30.251s
11 Timo Scheider (Audi A4 DTM) + 56.715s
13 Oliver Jarvis (Audi A4 DTM) + 1m 12.896s

Timetable

Friday, September 16

09:40–10:10	Roll-out
10:10–10:15	Starting practice
13:35–15:05	Free practice 1
15:05–15:10	Starting practice

Saturday, September 17

09:45–11:15	Free practice 2
13:50–15:00	Qualifying

Sunday, September 18

09:45–10:15	Warm-up
14:00	Race

TV schedule

Saturday, September 17

13:35–15:20	Qualifying
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Sunday, September 18

13:45–15:45	Race
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The Audi Group delivered around 1,092,400 cars of the Audi brand to customers in 2010. The Company posted revenue of €35.4 billion and an operating profit of €3.3 billion in 2010. In the first half of 2011, the Audi Group sold 652,970 vehicles bearing the four rings worldwide and achieved record figures in terms of revenue (€21.5 billion) and operating profit (€2.5 billion). Audi produces vehicles in Ingolstadt and Neckarsulm (Germany), Győr (Hungary), Changchun (China) and Brussels (Belgium). Aurangabad in India saw the start of CKD production of the Audi A6 at the end of 2007, of the Audi A4 in early October 2008 and of the Audi Q5 in July 2010. Production of the new Audi A1 has been running at the Brussels plant since May 2010. The Audi Q3 has been built in Martorell (Spain) since June 2011. The Company is active in more than 100 markets worldwide. AUDI AG's wholly owned subsidiaries include AUDI HUNGARIA MOTOR Kft., Automobili Lamborghini Holding S.p.A. in Sant'Agata Bolognese (Italy) and quattro GmbH in Neckarsulm. Audi currently employs around 60,000 people worldwide, including around 46,600 in Germany. Between 2011 and 2015 the brand with the four rings is planning to invest more than €11 billion, mainly in new products, in order to sustain the Company's technological lead embodied in its "Vorsprung durch Technik" slogan. By 2015, Audi plans to increase the number of models in its portfolio to 42.

Audi has long been fulfilling its social responsibility on many levels – with the aim of making the future worth living for generations to come. The basis for Audi's lasting success is therefore formed by environmental protection, the conservation of resources, international competitiveness and a forward-looking human resources policy. One example of AUDI AG's commitment to environmental issues is the newly established Audi Environmental Foundation. Under the heading of "Audi balanced mobility," the Company is directing its activities toward a major goal – comprehensive CO₂-neutral mobility.