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## Facts about the DTM race at Hockenheim

- Title fight goes down to the wire at finale on 26 October
- Hockenheim traditionally with huge crowds
- Audi boasts two victories in the last three Hockenheim races

Ingolstadt – A great finale in front of a traditionally huge crowd is set for the final weekend in October at Hockenheim. Like last year Audi has the chance of winning the title. This time the team concentrates on Timo Scheider, who can be champion for the first time.

## Did you know that...

- ... **Audi** won two of the last three races at Hockenheim, namely the season openers in both 2007 and 2008?
- ... the new **Audi A4 DTM** made its debut at Hockenheim six months ago and celebrated a spectacular one-two-three finish in the process?
- ... the new A4 DTM is the season's **most successful car** up to now? Audi took five from ten possible victories, seven from ten possible pole positions and 16 from 30 available podium positions with the new design.
- ... Audi lead the DTM standings since April 2008 at Hockenheim?
- ... as winner of the opening race in Hockenheim **Mattias Ekström** took the lead before relinquishing it in Oschersleben to his team mate **Timo Scheider**, who has held the lead without interruption since then?



... for **half-a-decade** no DTM driver has held the lead for so long? Previously, in 2002 Laurent Aiello was in front from the first to the last race and won the title.

... last year's champion **Mattias Ekström** – based on victories – is the season's best driver with three wins?

... both **Timo Scheider** and **Mattias Ekström** scored points nine times in ten races?

... in the process **Timo Scheider** mounted the podium seven times and **Mattias Ekström** five times?

... **Tom Kristensen** will contest his 50<sup>th</sup> DTM race at Hockenheim and **Alexandre Prémat** his 20<sup>th</sup> DTM race?

... the last time **Audi** did not lead the DTM standings was – calculated beyond the duration of a season – before 15 July 2007 at Mugello and therefore 15 months and 15 races ago?

... the **DTM finale** at Hockenheim has attracted more than 100,000 spectators every year since 2003 and a new record was set in 2007 with 152,000 fans?

... in Hockenheim in the DTM **Audi** has the opportunity to post a dream finish to the season in which the brand has already won the 24 Hours of Le Mans and also the American Le Mans Series and the Le Mans Series?

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AUDI AG sold a total of 964,151 cars in 2007 and thus achieved its twelfth consecutive record year. With revenue of €33,617 million and profit before tax of €2,915 million, the company attained its best figures ever. Audi produces vehicles in Ingolstadt and Neckarsulm (Germany), Györ (Hungary), Changchun (China) and Brussels (Belgium). At the end of 2007, production of the Audi A6 started in Aurangabad, India. The company is active in more than 100 markets worldwide. AUDI AG's wholly owned subsidiaries include Automobili Lamborghini Holding S.p.A. in Sant'Agata Bolognese, Italy, and quattro GmbH in Neckarsulm. Audi employs about 57,000 people worldwide, including 45,000 in Germany. The brand with the four rings invests more than €2 billion each year in order to sustain the company's technological lead embodied in its "Vorsprung durch Technik" slogan. Audi plans to significantly increase the number of models in its portfolio by 2015 to 40.