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## Facts on the DTM race at Mugello

- New Audi A4 DTM undefeated so far
- 80th DTM race for Timo Scheider
- Italy is Audi's third-largest market

Ingolstadt – Mugello has numerous special aspects. For example, the circuit is the longest one on the DTM schedule. And for Audi, a remarkable string of pole positions started there in summer of 2007. Statistics like these and other facts are presented in the following overview of the 2008 DTM's third round.

Did you know that ...

... the 2008-spec **Audi A4 DTM** is coming to Mugello undefeated and has clinched five of six possible podium positions so far?

... the **A4** has not been beaten in qualifying either? In both of the previous two rounds Timo Scheider took the pole position.

... DTM leader of the standings Timo Scheider is contesting his **80th DTM** race at Mugello? (including the invitation race at Shanghai in 2004)

... the circuit at **Mugello**, with a distance of 5.245 kilometres, is the longest on this year's DTM schedule?

... the number of laps to be driven at Mugello therefore amounts to only 33?



... the **window for the two mandatory pit stops** at the circuit in Tuscany will only be open from lap eleven to lap 22?

... Audi at the first round of the new DTM at Mugello on 14 July 2007 started an impressive string of seven pole positions, which has not been broken to this day?

... during this string as many as five **Audi drivers** occupied the first five positions on the grid?

... Audi driver **Mattias Ekström** at that time stormed towards the pole position with an **average speed** of almost **182 kph**, which made Mugello the fastest circuit on the DTM schedule as well?

... Audi is very popular with Italian fans? With 59,123 vehicles delivered (2007), Italy is Audi's third-largest European market and fifth-largest worldwide.

... the ten **A4 DTM** cars are not the only **Audi** racing cars to compete at Mugello on 4 May? In the Superstars series, Audi Sport Italia will contest the race with the **Audi RS 4** as the title defender and leader of the standings.

... the team around **Hans-Jürgen Abt** with its two squads scored 47 points in the **teams' championship** at Hockenheim and Oschersleben, thus having a higher points score than the total of all other teams?

... Abt Sportsline at Oschersleben celebrated its 25th victory in the DTM?

... it is becoming increasingly harder for **Audi** to continue its series of exploits? The **ballast-of-success weight rule** meanwhile requires the Audi A4 DTM to run with **20 kilograms** more weight than the current models of their Mercedes-Benz rivals.

## Photographs and information available at www.audi-motorsport.info

AUDI AG sold a total of 964,151 cars in 2007 and thus achieved its twelfth consecutive record year. With revenue of  $\leq 33,617$  million and profit before tax of  $\leq 2,915$  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 54,000 people worldwide, including 45,000 in Germany. The brand with the four rings invests more than  $\leq 2$  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, from the 26 currently on offer to 40.