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PRE-RACE UPDATE

Season 9 – 2023 CORE DIRIYAH E-PRIX

Diriyah, KSA – DS Penske ready for Round 2 & 3

After a promising performance for The DS PENSKE Formula E team during the first round in Mexico City, the upcoming first doubleheader race weekend marks the Championship's return to Diriyah, Saudi Arabia. Round 2 of Season 9 will take place at 20:04 local time on Friday 27th and Round 3 on Saturday 28th January, 2023, for the only night races on the calendar.

The cars will hit the streets of the UNESCO World Heritage site this weekend to take on one of the fastest and most demanding circuits of the season. Reigning champion Stoffel Vandoorne and double championship holder Jean-Éric Vergne will fight to maximize their opportunities to leave Diriyah with a sizeable haul of points.

The 2023 CORE Diriyah e-Prix will mark the 5th edition since 2018 the championship has visited iconic Saudi Arabian capital. The DS E-Tense FE23 showed a fast pace in Mexico and the Team is 100% focused on the car's performance to be in a position to fight for podiums.

Stoffel Vandoorne, reigning Formula E world champion

'I am very happy to be coming back in Diriyah, we have spent a lot of time preparing for this race. Not an easy one, the track evolves throughout the day and the surface improves as more cars run the dust and sand off of the track. It is technically challenging, but I like that and I cannot wait to compete this weekend.'

Jean-Eric Vergne, Formula E Champion in 2018 and 2019

'I'm looking forward to this weekend's races in Diriyah, we left Mexico with a bit of frustration due to a Battery issue on the last lap, but the team has been working hard and continuously pushing. With a new car and new tyre, you don't know what to expect when you go out there. The car feels strong, which is promising, and you can always count on me to give it my all'.

The track – stats:

2.495 km track length

21 Turns

Clockwise

39 Laps

About PENSKE AUTOSPORT

PENSKE AUTOSPORT is an American racing team founded in 2007 by Jay Penske. The team is headquartered in Los Angeles, California, the largest single metropolitan EV market in the world.

After many successful years competing in IndyCar (2007-2014), the team embraced the shift to electric mobility and became one of the founding teams of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship. The team motto is the Latin phrase "E Pluribus Unum" – meaning "out of many, there is one."

About DS Automobiles

Driven by the spirit of the avant-garde and backed by an exceptional heritage, the DS brand, born in 2014, aims to embody the French art of travel.

Based on numerous records since its entry into Formula E in 2015, including double Teams' and Drivers' titles, DS Automobiles is at the forefront of electrification by already selling each of its models with an electrified version. From 2024, every new model launched by DS Automobiles will be 100% electric.

With a presence in 40 countries, the DS brand has created and is developing an exclusive distribution network throughout the world.

