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PRE-RACE UPDATE

# Season 9 – 2023 HANKOOK MEXICO CITY E-PRIX

Mexico City, Mexico – DS Penske kicks off



The DS PENSKE Formula E team will start its ninth season in the all-electric ABB FIA Formula E World Championship with the first race that will see Jay Penske’s squad compete in the famous, high-altitude Circuit Autódromo Hermanos Rodríguez, in the heart of Mexico City, Mexico. Round 1 of Season 9 will take place at 14:03 local time on Saturday, January 15th, 2023.

Behind the wheels of the DS E-TENSE FE23, reigning champion Stoffel Vandoorne and 2-time championship champion Jean-Éric Vergne will fiercely fight to lead the team to new victories. DS PENSKE finished 2022 with a solid performance at the Ricardo Tormo Circuit pre-season tests, setting the second and third fastest times.

This historic weekend will mark the seventh time the championship has visited vibrant Mexico City. With the introduction of the Gen3 car, this season is a major milestone in the history of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship, and the newly-partnered team, competing for victory in the most powerul, lightest and fastest electric race cars in world motosport.



### **Stoffel Vandoorne, reigning Formula E world champion**

'I am extremely excited to take to the track in Mexico City this weekend, especially after such a successful pre-season test and having been made so welcome at the team. I've been raring to get back in the car from the moment we left Valencia, and have been pushing in the off-season to be fully prepared for this first round of Season 9 and to defend the championship title. I cannot wait to compete this weekend and show the fans what we can do'.

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

'I'm very much looking forward to the race this weekend in Mexico City, and to be starting the season here for the first time on such an amazing track made for great racing. There's a new chicane this year, the attack mode is in a different place and the configuration is the longest we've raced here—and I'm ready for the challenge. Racing through the Foro Sol to the roar of the crowd is always very special, so I'm excited to hear thousands of fans have tickets to come and be part of this with us. I've finished second and third here, and ready to fight for that top step this time around."

#### **The track – stats:**

2.628 km track length

19 Turns

Clockwise

36 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.

