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Ugo de Wilde becomes a BMW M works driver.

- The 22-year-old Belgian will join the BMW M Motorsport driver lineup and will compete in races driving the BMW M4 GT3 EVO.
- He is scheduled to participate in races including the Fanatec GT World Challenge Europe powered by AWS.
- Ugo de Wilde: "A childhood dream is coming true for me."

Munich. The BMW M Motorsport works driver line-up receives additional reinforcement at the beginning of 2025. 22-year-old Belgian Ugo de Wilde will compete in races driving the BMW M4 GT3 EVO starting from the upcoming season. His participation includes races in the Fanatec GT World Challenge Europe powered by AWS, among others.

De Wilde has proved his considerable talent in the past season by achieving a podium finish in the Gold Cup at his debut at the 24 Hours of Spa-Francorchamps (BEL). He impressed not only during the race but also with strong lap times in qualifying. Throughout the season in the GT World Challenge Europe, the Belgian also competed in the Silver and Bronze Cups. In 2021, de Wilde transitioned from single-seaters to sports cars, competing in the LMP2 prototype in the European Le Mans Series. He made his debut in this category at the 24 Hours of Le Mans (FRA) in 2023.

Details of de Wilde's specific race participations will be announced at a later date.

Andreas Roos (Head of BMW M Motorsport): "I am delighted that we have been able to secure a promising young talent like Ugo de Wilde for our works driver squad. His performances in his debut season in the highly competitive GT World Challenge Europe were impressive. We are confident that he will be a valuable addition to our line-up for the 2025 season. With this commitment, we are expanding the already large circle of 'young guns' in our works driver

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squad. We have a superb mix of youth and experience, making our line-up both high-calibre and future-proof."

Ugo de Wilde: "I am incredibly happy and proud to become part of the BMW M works driver line-up. A childhood dream is coming true for me. I have worked hard since my youth to become a professional racing driver. I am very grateful to a major brand like BMW M Motorsport for giving me this opportunity. I also thank everyone who has supported me in reaching this point in my career. Hopefully, this is just the beginning. I will do my best to justify the trust placed in me. We already had a very good test with the BMW M4 GT3 EVO. I felt very comfortable with the car's handling right away and was very well received."

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