



Media Information

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BMW i Andretti Motorsport eager to get back to winning ways as Formula E returns to China.

- **After picking up just one point in Hong Kong, BMW i Andretti Motorsport wants to return to usual strength in Sanya.**
- **BMW i drivetrain should be able to better play to its strengths once again on the new Sanya circuit.**
- **Marquardt: “Our goal is still to bring home as many points as possible with the BMW iFE.18.”**

Munich. Two weeks after the round in the Chinese special administrative region of Hong Kong (CHN), the ABB FIA Formula E Championship celebrates its return to mainland China with the Sanya E-Prix (CHN). BMW i Andretti Motorsport is eager to return to the strength demonstrated in the opening races of the season at the new Sanya circuit and finish in the points with both BMW iFE.18s.

Quotes ahead of the Sanya E-Prix:

Jens Marquardt (BMW Motorsport Director):

“Formula E’s return to China is fantastic for the race series and for BMW i as China is an incredibly important market for electromobility. BMW i and Formula E’s shared journey got underway with the very first race in Beijing back in 2014, meaning we have come full circle with our return as the BMW i Andretti Motorsport works team. Unfortunately, we weren’t able to make the best of our opportunities at the last event in Hong Kong. We’ve analysed the reasons and drawn our conclusions. In Sanya we hope to make better use of our BMW i drivetrain’s strengths once again and build on the top performances that have already brought us some brilliant results this season. Our goal is still to bring home as many points as possible with the BMW iFE.18.”

Roger Griffiths (Team Principal BMW i Andretti Motorsport):

“After the disappointment of the race in Hong Kong, the team is looking forward to moving on to Sanya. We analysed in detail why we weren’t as competitive as usual in Hong Kong and we are confident that we will have a strong package again for the future. We don’t know all that much about the area in which we will be driving in

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China, but we are doing tests in the simulator, so we'll be well prepared. We can't wait to get racing again and to pick up some well-needed points for the overall standings."

Alexander Sims (#27 BMW iFE.18):

"I am really looking forward to our debut in Sanya. The track appears to be relatively fast and extensive at first glance, with long straights and hard braking zones. After we were unfortunately unable to make use of our package's strengths in Hong Kong, I hope that we will return to our usual form in Sanya."

António Félix da Costa (#28 BMW iFE.18):

"We will all be experiencing a new track in Sanya, so everyone is starting from scratch. I've already completed a few laps of the track layout in the simulator – it seems like it will be fun. I have the impression that energy efficiency will play a big role again there, as it did in Marrakech, where we did really well. Hopefully it will be similar in China."

The FANBOOST vote.

FANBOOST gives Formula E fans the opportunity to vote for their favourite driver and award them an extra boost of power during the race. The five drivers with the most FANBOOST votes are awarded a significant burst of power, which they can deploy in a five-second window during the second half of the race. Fans can vote for their favourite driver in the six days prior to, and leading up to 15 minutes into, each race. Each fan can vote once per day. There are three ways to vote: Online at <https://fanboost.fiaformulae.com/>, via the official Formula E App or on Twitter using the hashtag #FANBOOST plus the drivers first and last name as a one-word hashtag.

Hashtags of the BMW i Andretti Motorsport drivers:

#AlexanderSims

#AntonioFelixdaCosta

The BMW i Fleet

BMW i is "Official Vehicle Partner" of the ABB FIA Formula E Championship in Season 5. Spearheading the BMW i fleet is the BMW i8 Coupe Safety Car, modified with BMW M components (combined fuel consumption: 1.8 l/100 km; combined energy consumption 14.0 kWh/100 km; combined CO₂ emissions: 42 g/km)*. As well as the BMW i8 Coupe, the BMW i fleet also includes the BMW i3s (combined fuel consumption: 0.0 l/100 km; combined energy consumption: 14.3 kWh;





combined CO₂ emissions: 0 g/km)* as “Race Director Car” and the BMW 530e iPerformance (combined fuel consumption: 2.2-2.1 l/100 km; combined energy consumption: 13.6-13.3 kWh/100 km; combined CO₂ emissions: 49-47 g/km)* in its role as “Medical Car”.

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The values are already based on the test cycle according to the new WLTP regulation and are translated back into NEDC-equivalent values in order to allow a comparison between vehicles. With respect to these vehicles, for vehicle related taxes or other duties based (at least inter alia) on CO₂-emissions the CO₂ values may differ to the values stated here.

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Further information about the official fuel consumption and the official specific CO₂ emission of new passenger cars can be taken out of the „handbook of fuel consumption, the CO₂ emission and power consumption of new passenger cars“, which is available at all selling points and from Deutsche Automobil Treuhand GmbH (DAT), Hellmuth-Hirth-Str. 1, 73760 Ostfildern-Scharnhausen, and under <https://www.dat.de/co2/>.

