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## **MINI chalks up further race success with MINI ALL4 Racing one-two finish at 2015 Desafio Ruta 40 / MINI ALL4 Racing piloted by Orlando Terranova wins the South American 2015 Desafio Ruta 40, Lucio Alvarez takes second place**

Munich (DE). Argentinean pairings Orlando Terranova / Bernardo Ronnie Graue and Lucio Alvarez / Sebastian Halpern produced a stunning driving display to achieve a MINI ALL4 Racing one-two finish at the 2015 Desafio Ruta 40 (19-23 May).

From Stage 1 to the end of the five stages of the 2015 Desafío Ruta 40, Terranova and Alvarez, the two Argentinean drivers with their fellow countrymen co-drivers, topped the leader board. With masterful driving on the rocky mountain slopes, through to the difficult dunes of Catamarca, the MINI ALL4 Racing pilots frequently swapped positions to take three overall stage wins and never drop from the leading four positions.

The varied terrain of South America once again produced many challenges – the greatest being difficult navigation along the five stages especially within the areas of similar-looking dunes. In all, the changes in elevation and the varied conditions that included water and sand sections were very testing but will prove invaluable to further enhance the proven reliability of the MINI ALL4 Racing.

“I was surprised how hard this race is,” said Terranova. “This makes this victory even more sweet. The route was very difficult and challenged Ronnie [co-driver, Graue] a lot.”

The two MINI ALL4 Racing will now return to Germany in readiness for the next race duties within the 2015 FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup - 25/06 – 28/06 Italian Baja.

### **Desafío Ruta 40: MINI ALL4 Racing positions after race end (23.05.2015)**

Position	Driver	Co-driver	Car #
1 <sup>st</sup>	Orlando Terranova (ARG)	Bernardo Graue (ARG)	301
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lucio Alvarez (ARG)	Sebastian Halpern (ARG)	302

Race calendar: 2015 FIA World Cup for Cross Country Rallies.

20/02 – 22/02 Baja Russia  
27/03 – 2/04 Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge  
18/04 – 24/04 Sealine Cross-Country Rally Qatar  
10/05 – 17/05 Pharaons Rally  
25/06 – 28/06 Italian Baja



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24/07 – 26/07 Baja Aragón  
13/08 – 16/08 HunGarian Baja  
27/08 – 30/08 Baja Poland  
03/10 – 09/10 Rallye du Maroc  
22/10 – 24/10 Baja Portalegre 500

Find more photos and videos in high resolution of the Dakar participants in the MINI ALL4 Racing on the BMW Media Website by [clicking here](#).

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