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### A popular championship makes a comeback: the new BMW Motorrad BoxerCup starts in 2018.

- Up to 30 participants will be going up against one another on modified BMW R nineT Racer motorbikes.
- Identical bikes mean that everyone has an identical chance of success.
- Season opener as part of the ADAC Classic at the Sachsenring on 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

Munich. From 2001 to 2004, the international BMW Motorrad BoxerCup thrilled spectators at the MotoGP<sup>TM</sup>, the Superbike World Championship & ca. Now, BMW Motorrad is bringing the Boxer engine back to motorsport. The new BMW Motorrad BoxerCup starts in spring 2018. All riders race on identical BMW R nineT Racer bikes that have been modified for racing. The season opener will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> June 2018 as part of the ADAC Classic at the Sachsenring (GER). The other races take place as part of the International German Motorcycle Championship (IDM).

"A level playing field with identical machines meeting style and individuality. We are looking forward to bringing the BMW Motorrad BoxerCup back to life with the BMW R nineT Racer, and to thrilling the crowds at the racetracks with that emotional Boxer engine," says Henning Putzke, Head of BMW Motorrad Deutschland.

The regulations promise some thrilling action, with victory and defeat being determined solely by the ability and determination of the riders. The riders will be on BMW R nineT Racer sport motorbikes with air/oil-cooled 1,170cc boxer engines, producing 81 kW (110 HP) performance. All the race bikes boast identical modifications, including redesigned front forks and dampers from Wilbers, cylinder head covers, engine spoilers and rear panels from Ilmberger, sports shocks and titanium manifold from Akrapovič, BMW Motorrad ABS with racing software, BREMBO brake pads, the "High End" steering dampers from Müller Präzision, and uniform Metzeler tyres.

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All motorbikes will be prepared for competitive racing at the BMW Motorrad Centre in Munich. Side stands, mirrors, number plate holders, indicators and lights were all removed to accommodate the modifications. However, once the season is over the bike can be returned to its original state and be approved for road use.

To ensure that all competitors have the same chance of success, no changes - apart from optical modifications to the paintwork, or the application of stickers or film - are permitted, beyond those made in Munich. All technical components and wear parts are precisely specified and regulated. No tuning is permitted whatsoever.

The starting field for the BMW Motorrad BoxerCup will feature 30 places for the new season. In addition to the regular starters, well-known guest riders will take part in the races on two VIP bikes. Riders over 18 years of age and in possession of a national B license (or higher), or a comparable license from another FIM federation, can apply to take part. Buying one of the BoxerCup special edition BMW R nineT Racers is another precondition for competition. Participants can choose between four different performance packages when making their purchase. The offer includes the basic package, which just includes the bike, and stretches all the way to the VIP package, including transport and storage of the bike, insurance, catering on race weekends and other advantages. BMW Motorrad also enables the race bikes to be rented for the entire 2018 season, as an alternative to purchasing one. Registration is open now using the link below.

The BMW Motorrad BoxerCup season starts on 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> June at the ADAC Classic at the Sachsenring (GER) and comprises a total of six race events. Round two is scheduled for 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> July in Zolder, Belgium. This is followed by the races at Schleiz (28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> July), at the Lausitzring (25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> August), and on the legendary TT Circuit in Assen, Netherlands (8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> September). The finale will then take place on 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> September at Hockenheim (GER).

You can find all the information about the BMW Motorrad BoxerCup, and the registration form, online under:

bmw-motorrad.de/boxercup

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