



Media Information
FIA World Endurance Championship
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BMW Team MTEK qualifies in the top-five on WEC debut.

- **BMW Team MTEK has qualified in fifth place for the Six Hours of Spa-Francorchamps.**
- **The BMW M8 GTE showing good pace and great reliability in its FIA World Endurance Championship debut.**
- **Blomqvist: “I was super happy with my fastest lap - I got the most out of the M8 GTE.”**

Spa-Francorchamps. BMW Team MTEK kick-started the BMW M8 GTE’s FIA World Endurance Championship (WEC) campaign at “The Six Hours of Spa-Francorchamps” in Belgium with a fifth place qualifying position. BMW works team drivers Tom Blomqvist (GBR) and António Félix da Costa (POR) piloted the #82 BMW M8 GTE to its promising debut WEC starting position with team-mates Nick Catsburg (NED) and Martin Tomczyk (GER) ready to line up on the grid in ninth in the GTE Pro class.

Reactions on The Six Hours of Spa-Francorchamps:

Tom Blomqvist: (#82 BMW M8 GTE, 5th place):

“We’re happy to be inside the top-five in the GTE Pro class for the WEC Six Hours of Spa-Francorchamps. It’s a competitive class and the four cars ahead of us are Championship stalwarts. I was super happy with my fastest lap and feel I got the most out of the M8 GTE.”

Nick Catsburg (#81 BMW M8 GTE, 9th place):

“More importantly than our starting positions, we are pleased to report that we’ve had three trouble-free practice sessions – yes, pace will play a significant role tomorrow but reliability is imperative to success.”





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