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# Perfect start to the GT4 European Series for the BMW M4 GT4 – Double win for RN Vision STS Racing at Imola.

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Whether in the DTM, the IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, the ABB FIA Formula E Championship, or countless other championships: Week after week BMW teams and drivers around the world do battle for points, victories and titles. Away from the track too, members of the large BMW Motorsport family around the world are also creating headlines. The "BMW Motorsport News" allows us to regularly summarise all the action for you in a compact and informative manner. This way, you are always up to speed.

## GT4 European Series: BMW M4 GT4 wins both races at Imola.

A perfect start to the season for the BMW M4 GT4 and the BMW M customer racing teams at the opening weekend of the GT4 European Series at Imola (ITA). Gabriele Piana (ITA) and Bas Schouten (NED) drove the RN Vision STS Racing Team #111 BMW M4 GT4 to victory on Saturday and Sunday. The duo dominated both races, finishing the first race more than 23 seconds ahead of the field and triumphing on Sunday with an eight-second lead. Cem Bolukbasi and Yagiz Gedik (both TUR) from the Borusan Otomotiv team claimed third place in Saturday's race to secure victory in the Pro-Am class. In the AM category, Paolo Meloni and Stefano Valli (both SMR) triumphed in the W&D Racing Team BMW M4 GT4. RN Vision STS Racing and Borusan Otomotiv were also able to celebrate further podium finishes. Driving Piana and Schouten's team's second car, Koen Bogaerts and Mark van der Aa (both NED) finished third in the Silver class on Saturday. In the other car from Bolukbasi and Gedik's team, Ibrahim Okyay (TUR) claimed second place in the AM category on Sunday.

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### GT World Challenge Europe: Boutsen Ginion sixth at season-opener.

It proved to be a difficult season-opener for Boutsen Ginion Racing in the GT World Challenge Europe. At Imola (ITA), BMW works driver Nick Yelloly (GBR), Karim Ojjeh (KSA) and Gilles Vannelet (FRA) crossed the finish line in sixth place in the Pro-Am class after 85 laps with their BMW M6 GT3.

#### ESET V4 Cup: Class win at season-opener for the BMW M4 GT4.

The ESET V4 Cup has also launched a new season after an enforced break lasting several months. The first races took place this weekend at Grobnik (CRO). Trevor Racing had cause to celebrate with the BMW M4 GT4. In the second sprint race on Sunday, Ferenc Ficza (HUN) crossed the finish line first in the GT4 class. He had secured second position in the class in Saturday's first sprint race. He finished third with his team-mate Gregor Zsigo (HUN) in the endurance race.

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