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Audi Sport TT Cup with two additional races

- **Calendar for second season of Audi one-make cup finalized**
- **14 races at seven events in Europe**
- **Philipp Mondelaers new Project Leader**

Ingolstadt, January 22, 2016 – The Audi Sport TT Cup ups the ante in its second season with two races to be held as part of the 24-hour race at the Nürburgring. The other six rounds will again take place during the DTM weekends.

The 2016 Audi Sport TT Cup will start on the first weekend in May during the DTM season opener at Hockenheim, followed by a premiere three weeks later. For the first time, the drivers of the Audi one-make cup will be pitted against each other as part of the supporting program for the 24-hour race in the Eifel on a variant of the Grand Prix circuit. At the end of June, like last year, two rounds are scheduled at the Nuremberg Norisring before the series' debut at Zandvoort (the Netherlands) marks the first foreign race of the season. Following a two-month summer break, the Audi Sport TT Cup will pick up momentum again at two events in September. First, the young drivers will be proving their prowess once more at the Nürburgring, this time on the DTM configuration of the Grand Prix circuit. Subsequently, at Budapest (Hungary), another race weekend outside Germany is on the calendar. The finale will be held at Hockenheim from October 14 to 16.

In the second season of the Audi Sport TT Cup, Philipp Mondelaers as the new Project Leader, will continue the successful work of Rolf Michl, who will be in charge of product marketing for Audi's R and RS models at quattro GmbH. Mondelaers was involved in DTM engine development at Audi Sport until 2010 and in 2011 switched to vehicle development in the customer racing department. At the same time, he worked as a race engineer at important events, celebrating notable successes in GT racing with Audi Sport Team Phoenix and Audi Sport Team WRT among others.

"I watched the inaugural year of the Audi Sport TT Cup with great interest and look forward to this new challenge and to working with the young talents," says Project Leader Mondelaers. "This year's calendar emphasizes the international character of the Audi Sport TT Cup. At Zandvoort and Budapest, we have two new tracks in our



portfolio. None of the drivers has previously raced there in the Audi TT cup. The round at the Nürburgring 24-hour race will no doubt be a highlight.”

A total of 125 drivers from 36 nations applied for the 2016 Audi Sport TT Cup. 20 cockpits are permanently awarded by quattro GmbH – two more than last year. Four additional cockpits will be filled by changing guest drivers.

2016 Audi Sport TT Cup calendar

06–08/05	Hockenheim (D)
26–29/05	Nürburgring (D)
24–26/06	Norising (D)
15–17/07	Zandvoort (NL)
09–11/09	Nürburgring (D)
23–25/09	Budapest (H)
14–16/10	Hockenheim (D)

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The Audi Group, with its brands Audi, Ducati and Lamborghini, is one of the most successful manufacturers of automobiles and motorcycles in the premium segment. It is present in more than 100 markets worldwide and produces at 16 locations in twelve countries. In the second half of 2016, Audi will start production of the Q5 in San José Chiapa (Mexico). 100-percent subsidiaries of AUDI AG include quattro GmbH (Neckarsulm), Automobili Lamborghini S.p.A. (Sant’Agata Bolognese, Italy) and Ducati Motor Holding S.p.A. (Bologna, Italy).

In 2015, the Audi Group delivered to customers approximately 1.8 million automobiles of the Audi brand, 3,245 sports cars of the Lamborghini brand and about 54,800 motorcycles of the Ducati brand. In the 2014 financial year, AUDI AG achieved total revenue of €53.8 billion and an operating profit of €5.15 billion. At present, approximately 85,000 people work for the company all over the world, about 60,000 of them in Germany. Audi focuses on new products and sustainable technologies for the future of mobility.