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## Motorsport

### Lucas Luhr strengthens Audi driver squad

- **27-year old German is new Audi factory driver**
- **Luhr to debut in 2007 DTM**
- **Races also planned in diesel sportscar Audi R10 TDI**

German Lucas Luhr will strengthen the Audi driver squad in both the DTM and in sportscar events with the revolutionary Audi R10 TDI Diesel sportscar during the forthcoming 2007 motorsport season.

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The 27-year old is a product of the Porsche “star of tomorrow” scheme. He made his breakthrough in 1999 after winning the Porsche Carrera Cup. In the following seven years, the youngster from Koblenz developed into one of the world’s best sportscar drivers. In 2002 and 2003, he won the GT title in the American Le Mans Series, and the LM P2 championship in 2006. The Monaco-based German is one of the most successful drivers in the US sportscar racing scene with 23 class wins to his credit. Furthermore, Luhr won the FIA GT Championship in 2004 and is record holder at the Sebring 12 Hours with five class victories. He has also already mounted the top step of the podium at the Le Mans 24 Hours.

“At Audi I finally get the chance to fight for overall victories,” says Lucas Luhr. “I’m incredibly pleased about the DTM, the Audi R10 TDI and the opportunity to work with Audi Sport. It is a special honour for me to be able to drive for such a fascinating and successful marque like Audi.”

“Lucas has shown over the last few years that he is just as fast at the wheel of a GT car as he is with a Le Mans Prototype,” explains Head of Audi Motorsport Dr Wolfgang Ullrich. “I’m convinced that he is a strong addition to our driver line-up and will fit in at Audi extremely well.”

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