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PRESS RELEASE

SOLID QUALIFYING AND MORE POINTS IN MISANO FOR DS PENSKE

Misano, Italy – Round 6 and 7 of the ABB Formula E FIA World Championship



- Round 6: A race full of action and overtakings, both drivers in the points with JEV P6 and Stoffel Vandoorne P8
- Round 7: More points for JEV who leaves Misano with a total of 14 points over the race weekend, making him the all-time leading points scorer in Formula E (1047 points)
- DS PENSKE maintains its Fifth place in the team’s ranking

Misano, Italy – Misano World Circuit Marco Simoncelli played the perfect host for Rounds 6 & 7 of the ABB FIA Formula E World. The first ever Misano E-Prix was action-packed, entertaining thousands of Italian fans. With solid qualifications, strategic energy management and a relentless pursuit of performance, the team reaffirmed its status as a force to be reckoned with in the all-electric single-seater series.

Friday Rookie Session - The team was pleased to have Robert Shwartzman for the Rookie practice and the talented driver did not disappoint delivering for the team a very professional session. After a smooth and flawless session, Robert claimed the fastest laptime and gathered precious data for the team ahead of the race.

Round 6 - For DS PENSKE and its partner DS Automobiles, Saturday got off to an impressive start with JEV making it through to the duels after a strong qualifying session. The Frenchman made it to the semi-finals and ultimately he qualified P2 and his team mate P18.

During the race, in a thrilling display of determination, Vandoorne staged an impressive comeback from 18th place on the grid to lead laps at the forefront of the race. JEV succeeded to maintain a steady position in the top 5, engaging a captivating back-and-forth battle that had the crowd on their feet with cheers. Despite a strong performance, JEV's podium finish was marred by a setback, the FIA cited avoidable contact, leading to his third-place finish being downgraded to sixth. Vandoorne managed to maintain a solid position in the top 10. DS PENSKE drivers scored 12 points in total for the team.

Round 7: The 2-time Formula E Champion Jean-Eric Vergne topped timings once again and started P2 on the grid and Stoffel P6.

Right from the start of the race, the top positions changed almost constantly. JEV took the lead at one point but then lost several places just before a safety car came out. The Frenchman was unable to get back into the top five afterwards, in a hectic race from start to finish. Jean-Éric Vergne crossed the finish line P7, scoring 6 more points in Misano. The Frenchman currently holds the highest number of points in the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship with 1047 points in total, and boasts the most front-row starts, showcasing his exceptional talent in the Series. JEV is sixth in the provisional drivers' classification, and his team mate eleventh.

After a strong qualifying performance, the Belgian Stoffel Vandoorne was one of the victims of some contact in the middle of the pack, forcing him to come into the pits to repair damaged bodywork. At the end of the race, due to a battery issue, the team was forced to retire his car.

With seven exhilarating races already in the rearview mirror, with 6 different victors, the Team prepares to tackle the next leg, with the eyes firmly set on the prize.

The championship journey continues, DS PENSKE remains steadfast in its commitment to pushing the boundaries of performance and gears up for a triumphant return to the glitzy streets of Monaco, Monte-Carlo, on Saturday 27 April, 2024.



Team results – 2024 Misano E-Prix

Round 6

Driver	FP1	FP2	Quali	Race
JEV	P1	P1	P2	P6
VAN	P2	P5	P17	P8

Round 7

Driver	FP3	Quali	Race
JEV	P7	P2	P7
VAN	P11	P6	DNF

Stoffel Vandoorne, 2022 Formula E World Champion for Round 7

"I truly believe that we weren't properly rewarded compared to the level of our performance. My qualifying was better today. I was able to get into the duels and qualify sixth on the grid, which was a good place to start. Unfortunately, I lost many places during the opening laps, then I had some contact and had to change my front wing. Afterwards, there was an issue with the battery and so I wasn't able to make the finish. Naturally there's an element of frustration but our overall performance level is definitely a positive point. We'll continue to learn and come back stronger."

Jean-Eric Vergne, 2018 & 2019 Formula E Champion for Round 7

"The day started well with another great team performance in qualifying. We've clearly made a step forward in this area, and I'd like to congratulate the whole team for that. As for the race, we need to understand exactly what happened. I don't know if we made a strategic error in our use of Attack Mode, but I lost several places in the space of just two laps and found myself further down the order. With the energy management required by this circuit, I wasn't able to make up the positions lost afterwards. I don't know if that's just down to pure bad luck, because I still reckon we made the right decisions at that point in the race. An incident on the final lap cost me more places, but in any case, we were still able to score some important points once more."

Robert Shwartzman, DS PENSKE rookie driver

'Overall a very positive session, I enjoyed the few laps we had with different settings and modes. Finished the session with the fastest lap which is always nice. Being able to go through the whole run without any interruptions plan was also great as we managed to gather useful information for the team going into the weekend. Thank you to DS PENSKE for trusting me, it was a lot of fun!'



About PENSKE AUTOSPORT

PENSKE AUTOSPORT is an American racing team founded in 2007 by Jay Penske. The team is headquartered in Los Angeles, California, the largest single metropolitan EV market in the world.

After many successful years competing in IndyCar (2007-2014), the team embraced the shift to electric mobility and became one of the founding teams of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship. The team motto is the Latin phrase “E Pluribus Unum” – meaning “out of many, there is one.”

About DS Automobiles

Driven by the spirit of the avant-garde and backed by an exceptional heritage, the DS brand, born in 2014, aims to embody the French art of travel.

Based on numerous records since its entry into Formula E in 2015, including double Teams’ and Drivers’ titles, DS Automobiles is at the forefront of electrification by already selling each of its models with an electrified version. From 2024, every new model launched by DS Automobiles will be 100% electric.

With a presence in 40 countries, the DS brand has created and is developing an exclusive distribution network throughout the world.

