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PRESS RELEASE

## Season 11 – 2025 JEDDAH E-PRIX

*Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia*



- **First-ever event at the Jeddah Corniche circuit, featuring two thrilling night races on Friday 14 February (Round 3) and Saturday 15 February (Round 4)**
- **Rookie Practice Session: Former Formula 1 driver Daniil Kvyat will drive for DS PENSKE at the FP0 session this Thursday 13 February**
- **New Pit Boost Feature: Implemented only in Round 3 (Friday), providing a 10% additional energy boost**
- **Strong start of the season: DS PENSKE drivers Jean-Éric Vergne and Maximilian Günther behind the wheels of the DS E-TENSE FE25 have shown impressive qualifying performances, aiming for front-row starts and valuable points in Jeddah**

**Jeddah, Saudi Arabia** – DS PENSKE is set to take on the challenge of Rounds 3 and 4 of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship season 11 at the stunning Jeddah Corniche Circuit, marking the series' debut in the coastal city. Returning to Saudi Arabia, this highly anticipated event will feature two thrilling night races on Friday 14 and Saturday 15 of February, under the lights of this one-of-the-kind venue.

Jeddah's fast, flowing circuit, measuring 3.001 km with 19 turns, will provide a new test for drivers and teams alike, with its unique combination of high-speed corners and technical sections. Adding to the excitement, the weekend will see the introduction of the all-new Pit Boost, a strategic element set to shake up race strategies and deliver even more electrifying competition. Pit Boost will be implemented in only one of the two races in double-header events, specifically in Round 3 (Friday). It will provide a 10% additional energy boost (+3.85kWh energy charged at 600kW, delivered in 34 seconds in a stationary pit). This will have a significant impact on strategy and could spice up the standard course of the race.

Ahead of the double-header, a special Free Practice 0 (FP0) session on Thursday will give rookie drivers the opportunity to gain valuable track time and help the teams optimize car performance and evaluate setup options.

With momentum building in the early stages of the season, DS PENSKE is ready to push the limits and fight for strong results in this historic first outing in Jeddah. The squad has shown a strong presence during the qualifying sessions in Brazil and Mexico, consistently delivering impressive performances and working hard to secure front row starts for both drivers Jean-Éric Vergne and Maximilian Günther.

## EVENT SCHEDULE

- **Thursday:** FP0 Rookie Practice at 18h00 local time
- **Friday:** Round 3 – Night Race (with Pit Boost) starting at 20h05 local time
- **Saturday:** Round 4 – Night Race starting at 20h05 local time

### Jean-Éric Vergne, DS PENSKE Driver - 2018 & 2019 Formula E Champion

*"Very thrilled to be racing in Jeddah for the first time. It is a fast and technical circuit, which should make for some great racing, especially under the lights. The introduction of Pit Boost in Round 3 adds another layer of strategy, and we will need to be sharp to maximize our performance. We have had some solid qualifying performances so far this season, but we haven't always been lucky with the timing of Attack Mode during the races, which impacted our final results. This weekend, we are focused on making sure we convert our strong pace into the results I know we are capable of achieving."*

### Maximilian Günther – DS PENSKE driver

*"It's great to be racing here in Jeddah. Night races are always something very special and the track layout looks great. It offers a good mixture of fast and flowing sections, as well as tight chicanes, typical for Formula E. We prepared really well in the past couple of weeks and arrive here in good shape. The pitstop race on Friday is a nice addition and will mix things up, giving strategy a key role to the race. I really look forward to race here under the Arabian sky."*

### The track – stats:

3.001 km track length

19 Turns

Anti-Clockwise



Round 3: 31 laps – race with Pit Boost  
Round 4: 31 laps  
Race start time: 20:05 local time

#### ***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***

Founded in Paris in 2014, DS Automobiles is a premium brand aiming to embody the French art of travel. Thanks to an exceptional heritage, exemplified by the 1955 DS and enriched by the wealth of French culture, DS Automobiles offers a global and diverse range with DS 3, DS 4, DS 7 and DS 9.

Designed for a clientele seeking something different, who want to travel the world and enjoy every moment, DS creations stand out through their charismatic style, interior refinement, sophisticated technology and first-class comfort.

With numerous records since its entry into Formula E in 2015, including two double Teams’ and Drivers’ titles, DS Automobiles is at the forefront of electrification and sells each of its models in an electrified version.

In 2024, DS Automobiles is accelerating its transition to all-electric with the arrival of DS N°8, a new model offering up to 750km range.

With a presence in 40 countries, the DS brand has an exclusive distribution network of over 450 DS STORES around the world.

