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Barum Czech Rally Zlín, the biggest motor sports event in the Zlín region, is according to its organisers ready for the flood of fans and nerve wrecking fights of high quality. The 47th Barum Czech Rally Zlín is a sixth event of FIA European Rally Championship (ERC) series and likewise a sixth event of TrueCam Czech Rally Championship 2017 (MČR).

The biggest favourite is Jan Kopecký on Škoda Fabia R5, who took home the grand trophy permanently last year thanks to his fifth victory on Barum rally. The Škoda Motorsport driver should expect some fierce competition from fellow Czechs and European drivers as well. **'We have a just splendid parade of excellent drivers. Starting field is amazing,'** Miloslav Regner beamed, Clerk of Barum Czech Rally Zlín.

The organisation staff was very diligent in preparing such a huge event. **'I'm hoping there won't be any issues on tracks and outside of them. We did everything we could,'** Miloslav Regner assured everybody. **'I wish all the crews a successful race and the fans wonderful and exciting weekend. We are expecting thousands of fans,'** Clerk of the Course added.

Barum rally can again count on the cooperation and support of company Continental Barum, which is a general sponsor year after year. **'Our company is proud to be associated with this sporting event that carries our name. Service Park is full in our factory area and that is one of the prerequisites for a great experience. I wish all the luck to everyone and the fans pleasant experience,'** Libor Lázníčka said, Managing Director Continental Barum s.r.o.

Barum rally will be traditionally opened by night Spectators' Super Special Stage in the streets of Zlín and in the former Baťa's factory.

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