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We interviewed the top drivers of the Junior ERC, FIA ERC and Czech championship after the night Spectators` Super Special Stage, which is always full of flashes, curbs, punctures and cheering fans. And cobbles in the area of the former Bata`s shoemaking factory sometimes got in the way.

#### Vita Mattia (ITA, Peugeot 208 R2, Start. No. 45):

"It's amazing to be here but it's tricky, it's easy to do a fatal mistake and we wanted to avoid that."

#### Furuseth Sindre (NOR, Opel Adam R2, Start. No. 44):

"It's tricky but I think there's a big hole right after the start, someone got a puncture there and he's blocking the way and they're changing a tyre, you have to slow down and go around him. Otherwise, it was a very good stage for us. Car is good."

#### Wagner Simon (AUT, Peugeot 208 R2, Start. No. 42):

"The stage was OK. Tomorrow is going to be harder."

#### Kristensson Tom (SWE, Opel Adam R2, Start. No. 41):

"It wasn't very good stage. I didn't find a rhythm. I couldn't find the right grip."

#### Llarena Efrén (ESP, Peugeot 208 R2, Start. No. 40):

"No problem. But the stage is tricky, bumpy and difficult."

#### Sesks Mārtinš (LVA, Opel Adam R2, Start. No. 39):

"It was a nice ride. We're not risking, there are lot of curbs. It's also a long stage."

#### Tempestini Simone (ROU, Fiat 124 Abarth RGT, Start. No. 35):

"We've made to the finish. Our car is not damaged. It's OK:"

#### Astier Raphaël (FRA, Fiat 124 Abarth RGT, Start. No. 33):

"It's OK. No problem though a very difficult stage."

#### Érdi Tibor jun. (HUN, Mitsubishi Lancer Evo X, Start. No. 31):

"Everything is OK. We're happy."

#### Tlusťák Antonín (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 57):

"It's fine. We chose softer tyres because we didn't want damage the harder ones. Luckily, It's over for today."



















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## Štajf Vojtěch (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 56):

"I don't know our time but my feeling was nice. We used hard tyres and we'll use them for tomorrow. I had to be cautious in the first loop because the tyres were a bit cold but after that it was good. We enjoyed it."

#### Růžička Tomáš (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 30):

"It's slippery. We have the same tyres from the qualification and by the end they got too hot. But it's fine, we didn't hit a curb."

## Monteiro Aloísio (PRT, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 28):

"Very good, had some fun, it's mad."

## Jakeš Miroslav (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 27):

"Very slippery, dangerous. It's OK."

## Német László (HUN, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 26):

"It was OK, but I wasn't as fast as I wanted. No mistakes and I hope tomorrow will be better."

#### VIček Martin (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 25):

"It's great but we lost brakes and the pedal was all the way down which wasn't fun."

## von Thurn und Taxis Albert (DEU, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 24):

"It's difficult in the dark. Maybe it could have been better but I was fun."

## Botka Dávid (HUN, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 22):

"The stage is perfect. A lot of lights around you."

## Tarabus Jaromír (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 21):

"It was OK. I had to be careful, it's slippery and there's one hole. We'll see."

## Avcioglu Orhan (TUR, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 19):

"I couldn't see the road because of the flashes, you have to get used to it. They blind you. It's a tricky stage with a lot of curbs. You need to be careful. This is a steady start for tomorrow. I'm happy."

## Mareš Filip (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 18):

"No problem. I took it easy. Sometimes I was behind a slower driver."

#### Neubauer Hermann (AUT, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 17):

"It's amazing. I got nervous when I saw someone changing tyres. We pushed hard. The atmosphere is amazing. It's a pleasure to drive here."

















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## Yates Rhys (GBR, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 16):

"Good fun. All is good. Lot of flashy lights around you."

## Nobre Paulo (BRA, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 14):

"To be honest I hate it. It's important for the public, you should do it. The rally starts tomorrow."

## Ingram Chris (GBR, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 11):

"Something happened. We heard a noise so we slowed a bit. Good fun."

#### Pellier Laurent (FRA, Peugeot 208 T16, Start. No. 10):

"It was hard. It's still a good warm up. We'll see tomorrow with the weather."

## Gryazin Nikolay (LVA, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 9):

"It's good. Feels good. I'm not sure about the time, but for me it was fun."

## Kreim Fabian (DEU, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 7):

"It's a great show for fans. Our GPS made a strange noise, that was crazy."

#### Pech Václav (CZE, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 6):

"It was OK, a bit slippery at the beginning. The fans are amazing."

#### Sordo Daniel (ESP, Hyundai i20 R5, Start. No. 5):

"The surface is tough, I think we had a puncture."

## Kopecký Jan (CZE, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 4):

"We had a softer tyres and we lost four seconds comparing last year. Rally starts tomorrow."

## Herciz Norbert (HUN, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 3):

"Two punctures, front right and back right."

## Magalhães Bruno (PRT, Škoda Fabia R5, Start. No. 2):

"I think it was good, I lost some time, I had to overtake another driver."

## Lukyanuk Alexey (RUS, Ford Fiesta R5, Start. No. 1):

"Not the best start. On the last loop it started raining and we lost the grip. I didn't want to damage the tyres on the cobbles."

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