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### **Barum rally organizers released RALLY GUIDE 1**

Two months before the start of the Barum Czech Rally Zlín 2023, the basic rally document named Rally Guide 1 has been published, which contains almost fifty pages of introductory information about this year's 52nd edition, which will take place in the Zlín region from 18th to 20th August. The popular Barumka is one of the key events and highlights of the FIA European Rally Championship (ERC) and PSG Czech Rally Championship (MCR) every year.

The Zlín organisers have divided the first Rally Guide into several sections, namely rally history, contacts, accommodation, rally programme and important dates, rally entry, entries, advertising, course, service zone, familiarisation runs, SS shakedown test / qualifying SS, media, insurance, vehicles, hospitality, presentation offer, published materials, general information, glossary - useful words and phrases. The introduction includes a foreword by Miloslav Regner, Chairman of the Organising Committee and Jan Regner, Rally Director.

You can read the history of Barumka on more than ten pages. The prestige of the Zlín Rally has grown steadily over the years, since 1984 it has been part of the European Championship, since 2007 it has been part of the Intercontinental Rally Challenge (IRC) series and in recent years it has been one of the mainstays of the European Championship (FIA ERC). Big names of rally sport have entered the winner's gallery, with Jan Kopecký celebrating a total of ten triumphs and dominating the last seven editions! Vladimír Hubáček, John Haugland from Norway, Enrico Bertone from Italy and home driver Roman Krešta have won three times. A total of 29 riders from 12 countries have entered the winners' gallery over the years. In Zlín, big names of competitive sport, such as the double world champion from 1980, 1982 Walter Röhrl from Germany, the world champion from 2019 Ott Tänak from Estonia, five-time vice-world champion Thierry Neuville from Belgium, as well as the winners of the world championship Franz Wittmann from Austria, Armin Schwarz from Germany, Andreas Mikkelsen from Norway and the Spaniard Daniel Sordo, took part.

The introductory guide includes the ERC 2023 calendar, contacts to rally directorates, national sporting authorities and key rally officials. You can read the rally programme and important dates as well as information on the route. Compared to the last year's edition, 62% of the route of the stages, which measure a total of 200 km, has been changed. The itinerary also includes two timed sections last run in 1994. Naturally, the names of the individual stages are missing; these will be revealed in the coming weeks with the release of the special provisions for this year's event.

Journalists will find the terms and conditions of accreditation for this year's event, the accreditation form and media publicity in the introductory Rally Guide. Last year alone, 199 media representatives from 14 countries were accredited at the press

centre. You can read general information, facts about the Czech Republic, driving in the Czech Republic, general services to motorists, health information, rally safety and rally visiting regulations. At the end there is a glossary of useful words and phrases. You can download the Czech and English versions of the Rally Guide 1 on the official rally website in the section Drivers, Documents.

More information available at [www.czechrally.com](http://www.czechrally.com) and don't forget to follow Barum rally on the official Facebook, Instagram, Twitter accounts and other press information.

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