



2018 MEDIA GUIDE



Rally de Portugal

May 17 - 20, 2018

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HYUNDAI'S HELLO

Welcome to Portugal for round six of the 2018 FIA World Rally Championship, where the Hyundai Shell Mobis World Rally Team will be looking to build on a strong result in Argentina last month where we took our second double podium of the season and extended our lead in the manufacturers' championship.

We set out to secure podium finishes with Thierry/Nicolas and Dani/Carlos in Argentina, and the crews did everything that we asked of them to come second and third respectively, with Andreas just a little further back in fifth place. I think that was the best result we could have achieved, as on this occasion Ott Tänak and Toyota were beyond anyone's reach.

Even though we have extended our manufacturers' title lead and Thierry has narrowed the gap to Sébastien Ogier in the drivers' championship, Argentina served as another reminder of how incredibly close the competition is in this year's WRC and why we cannot afford to take our foot off the pedal. But I said after Corsica that I wanted a stronger all-round team performance and with three crews inside the top five, stage wins for all and our second double podium of the season, I would say it's a job well done.

So now to Portugal, where funnily enough Thierry and Dani finished second and third last year. With not too many changes to the rally for 2018 hopefully this is an event where we can again excel as a team and take our Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC to more stage wins, podiums and even a victory.

There will be a show of strength from Hyundai Motorsport in Portugal, with Hayden back in action to take the number of works crews up to four, but also a total of six Hyundai i20 R5 cars taking part in the event led by our HMDP pairing of Jari Huttunen and Antti Linnaketo. We look forward to seeing you there.

Michel Nandan

Team Principal, Hyundai Motorsport



ON STAGE WITH... HAYDEN PADDON

As a driver what are the challenges you face on Rally de Portugal?

"It's a really enjoyable rally, but as it's one that everyone knows quite well only perfect preparation and pacenotes will allow you to be competitive. The stages require a lot of commitment and, weather depending, the grip levels can be quite changeable."

What do you need from your car to be competitive on this event?

"Like on any other rally, you need to be confident and comfortable in the car. The set-up for Portugal is quite similar to several of the European gravel rallies."

Is it an event you love or loathe and why?

"I love Rally de Portugal, I love the stages and the atmosphere. Unfortunately, we have not had good results in the past but we hope to change that this year."

What result can you achieve?

"With our limited programme, we have to make an impression on every rally we do. That has to mean no less than a podium, but it will be challenging having not driven the WRC car for three months. However, we are ready for the challenge."

What are your best and worst memories of Rally de Portugal?

"My best would be when we won our first PWRC event in 2011 when the rally was based in the south – that was our first international win. I think the fire from two years ago was the worst – such a freak accident and to lose a whole car like that was hard for the team."

If you don't win, who will and why?

"I'm backing myself and Seb – I think we can give it a good go. It won't be easy as it is so close between everyone now, but we just have to focus on our job and give it 110 per cent."

How do you keep rally-ready when you don't do all the events?

"I have spent the last 11 weeks in New Zealand doing some small rallies and training hard. It's important even if the car or events are different to still be driving. So I've been trying to do that as much as possible, but it's also like riding a bike – you don't forget how to do it."



HAYDEN PADDON

TEAM POSITION: Driver

AGE: 31

WRC STARTS: 73



@HaydenPaddon



/haydenpaddonwrc

HYUNDAI HAPPENINGS

- The Hyundai Shell Mobis World Rally Team was on great form for Rally Argentina, where Thierry Neuville and Dani Sordo achieved the team's second double podium result of the season in second and third respectively after its 1-3 finish in Sweden. Andreas Mikkelsen narrowly missed out on beating Sébastien Ogier to fourth, while the team enjoyed a 1-2-3 lockout on the penultimate 22,41km Giulio Cesare-Mina Clavero test, won by Neuville with Mikkelsen second and Sordo third.
- Hyundai Motorsport's strong result in Argentina has allowed it to extend its lead in the manufacturers' championship to 15 points, while Neuville's second place means he is now just 10 points behind Sébastien Ogier in the drivers' standings and another consistent performance from Sordo has moved him up to fifth behind Mikkelsen.
- Mikkelsen, Neuville and Hayden Paddon are nominated to score manufacturer points in Portugal, while Sordo will drive the fourth works car (#16).
- There will be a total of 10 Hyundais competing on Rally de Portugal, led by the four works crews following Paddon's return. Jari Huttunen will be back in action in his Hyundai i20 R5, with five other R5s piloted by Armindo Araújo, Manuel Castro, Pierre-Louis Loubet, Ricardo Marques and Max Vatanen.
- All four works crews tested ahead of Rally de Portugal, in conditions similar to those found on the event in order to reach a good car set-up.
- The Hyundai i30 N TCR was again the class of the FIA World Touring Car Cup field at last month's Race of Hungary at the Hungaroring. Double polesitter and home hero Norbert Michelisz was third for the BRC Racing Team in race one of three, with wildcard entry Daniel Nagy second in race two ahead of the YMR i30 of Yvan Muller. Gabriele Tarquini and team-mate Michelisz scored a 1-2 in race three with Muller third. Tarquini led the drivers' championship post-Hungary, with i30 drivers holding three of the top four spots, while BRC and YMR were 1-2 in the teams' standings.
- Armindo Araújo and co-driver Luis Ramalho have claimed the first Portuguese rally championship victory for the newly-formed Team Hyundai Portugal squad. The pair were second on last month's Rali de Mortagua and first among crews registered for the full national championship. Fellow Hyundai Portugal-backed crew Carlos Vieira and Jorge Eduardo Carvalho rounded out the podium for national series runners.
- In the USA, Hyundai America and Bryan Herta Autosport continued their strong start to the Pirelli World Challenge season at Virginia International Raceway in April. Michael Lewis stormed from 14th on the grid to second in the opening race, taking the fastest lap to start on pole for race two alongside team-mate Mark Wilkins. Lewis led race two until a minor issue forced him to pit and hand the lead to Wilkins, who went on to score his second win of the season.

HYUNDAI IN NUMBERS

1967: Company founded in Korea and has gone on to establish sales networks in 190 countries and employs over 110,000 people.

10,000: Of those global employees some 10,000 people work at Hyundai's R&D base in the Korean city of Namyang.

4: Across 13 rounds of the 2017 WRC, Hyundai crews scored four victories on Tour de Corse, Rally Argentina, Rally Poland and Rally Australia. Poland was especially successful as the team celebrated a one-two finish, with Thierry Neuville heading home Hayden Paddon.

12: In total, Hyundai Motorsport drivers took 12 individual podium finishes in 2017 and four double podiums in Corsica, Portugal, Poland and Australia.

91: Hyundai crews amassed 91 stage wins in the 2017 season as well as 56 Power Stage points.

3: As its name suggests, the Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC comes with three doors compared to the five in its predecessor. But while there are two doors less, the new-for-2017 challenger has a power output of 380hp thanks to the introduction of a larger turbo restrictor – up from 33mm to 36mm.

10: The Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC is wider but lighter – it has shed 10kg compared to the New Generation i20 WRC.

1: With the current regulations allowing manufacturers to nominate three point-scoring drivers rather than two, the three Hyundai i20 Coupe WRCs are entered under one banner: Hyundai Shell Mobis World Rally Team.

6,000: Prior to the launch of the Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC, some 6,000 kilometres had been covered during extensive development testing.

50: Hyundai Motorsport's Alzenau base is located within a 50-kilometre radius of Hyundai Motor Europe's base in Offenbach and Hyundai Motor Europe's Technical and Design Centre in Rüsselsheim.

4: Thierry Neuville's third-place finish on Tour de Corse was the team's fourth individual podium result from four events so far this season.

5.2: Hyundai Motorsport has fans all around the world who follow its efforts in the WRC and Customer Racing through social media, with over 5.2 million likes on Facebook. The team also has 63,000 followers on Twitter and more than 118,000 on Instagram.

ABOUT N

- First announced in 2015, the N line-up showcases Hyundai's engineering expertise, offering high-performance models that are equally at home on the road, or out on a race circuit.
- N was born in Namyang, Korea in Hyundai's global R&D centre and honed at the famous Nürburgring circuit, home to the Hyundai Test Centre. The close working relationship between the engineers in Korea and Germany created the foundations for the development of the line-up. The N logo also symbolises a chicane, where the models carrying the badge are most at home.
- N is Hyundai's answer to emerging customer preferences, calling for uncompromising innovation and technology-driven performance. Designed to deliver the perfect combination of feedback, precision and predictable response, the models of the N line-up are made for driving enthusiasts, bringing a unique character to the road and further enhancing the image of the Hyundai brand.
- Inspired by Hyundai Motorsport competing at the highest possible level, the creation of N has drawn on our experience of testing the i30 N TCR, and racing on the tarmac, gravel and snow of the World Rally Championship. From the knowledge taken from the stages and the circuit Hyundai's engineers were able to identify further handling and performance refinements during the development of the N line-up. With all this experience, N delivers exhilarating driving pleasure for everyone – pure emotions.
- The i30 N was the first road-going model to be launched from the N line-up in July 2017. The car is based on the New Generation i30. However, it was developed from the ground up in order to deliver maximum driving pleasure for everyone. Under the theme 'Fun to Drive', the i30 N has been developed on the basis of three cornerstones: Corner Rascal, Everyday Sports Car and Race Track Capability. It offers segment-leading high-performance elements that can be selected individually by the driver in order to tailor the car for any scenario, from a comfortable daily commute to a day at the track.
- Like the i30 N TCR the road-going i30 N is powered by a two-litre, turbocharged engine. The i30 N develops up to 275 horsepower, with a maximum torque of 353 Nm, delivered through a six-speed gearbox to the front wheels. The road-going car can reach a maximum speed of 250km/h and accelerate from 0 to 100 km/h in just over six seconds.



HYUNDAI I20 COUPE WRC UNCOVERED

Engine: Hyundai Motorsport turbocharged engine with direct injection 1,600cc and fitted with a mandatory 36mm air restrictor

Power: 380hp at 6,500RPM with a maximum torque of 450NM at 5,500RPM

Transmission: Six-speed sequential gearbox, four-wheel drive, mechanical front and rear differentials, electro-hydraulic centre differential

Suspension: MacPherson struts with adjustable dampers front and rear

Steering: Hydraulic power-assisted rack and pinion

Brakes: Ventilated Brembo disc brakes (370mm on asphalt, 300mm on gravel) and air-cooled, four-piston calipers, hydraulic handbrake

Tyres: Team partner Michelin will supply its LTX Force S5 and H4 gravel tyres for Rally de Portugal. The soft compound S5 is the first choice and designed for cold and damp conditions, while the hard compound H4 is available for warm and dry weather. Teams can use a maximum of 24 tyres for the entire event excluding shakedown

Electronics: Magneti Marelli SRG Engine Control Unit and dash

Safety: Sabelt seats and multiple fixing points with adjustable straps

Chassis: Steel bodyshell with welded multi-point roll cage, steel and composite fibre bodywork components

Dimensions: length: 4,100mm, width: 1,875mm, track width: 1,665mm, wheel base: 2,570mm

Weight: 1,190kg (1,350kg with driver and co-driver on board)

Lubricants: Shell Helix-Ultra

Fuel: FIA approved



HYUNDAI I20 R5 UNCOVERED

Engine: Hyundai Motorsport turbocharged engine with direct injection 1,600cc and fitted with a 32mm air restrictor

Power: 285hp at 5,000RPM with a maximum torque of 420NM at 4,000RPM

Transmission: Six-speed Ricardo Sequential gearbox, four-wheel drive, mechanical front and rear differentials

Suspension: MacPherson struts with three-way adjustable dampers

Steering: Hydraulic power-assisted rack and pinion

Brakes: Ventilated Brembo disc brakes (355mm on asphalt, 300mm on gravel) and air-cooled, four-piston calipers, hydraulic handbrake

Tyres: Team partner Michelin will supply its Latitude Cross S80 soft compound tyre for Rally de Portugal as the first choice for use in cold and damp conditions, with its Latitude Cross H90 hard compound tyre available for warm and dry weather. Teams can use a maximum of 22 tyres for the entire rally excluding shakedown

Electronics: Magneti Marelli ECU and power management system

Safety: Sabelt seats and multiple fixing points with adjustable straps

Chassis: FIA conformant reinforced steel body with Hyundai Motorsport-designed welded multi-point roll cage

Dimensions: length: 4,035mm, width: 1,820mm, track width: 1,610mm, wheel base: 2,570mm

Weight: 1,230kg (1,390kg with driver and co-driver on board)

Fuel: FIA approved



HYUNDAI HEROES

Andreas Mikkelsen and Anders Jæger

#4 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC (chassis 009)



ANDREAS MIKKELSEN

Date of birth: June 22, 1989

Place of birth: Oslo, Norway

Nationality: Norwegian

WRC starts: 92

WRC wins: 3

Mikkelsen joined Hyundai Motorsport for three late-season events in 2017, passing his audition with flying colours by earning a long-term deal with the team. Having initially flown in skiing, he switched to rallying when injury curtailed his promising career on the slopes. Relocating to the UK for 2006, he was a winner shortly after getting his driving licence following his 17th birthday. Fifth on the 2008 Rally Sweden then made him the youngest driver to score a WRC point. Mikkelsen won back-to-back Intercontinental Rally Challenge titles in 2011-12. Having joined Volkswagen's WRC line-up, he took his maiden win on the 2015 Rally de España, and won in Poland and Australia in 2016. Mikkelsen also scored his first podium finish for Hyundai with third on this year's Rally Sweden.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 6, 2017 result: Rtd, Best result: 2



@AMikkelsenRally



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ANDERS JÆGER

Date of birth: July 29, 1989

Place of birth: Oslo, Norway

Nationality: Norwegian

WRC starts: 36

WRC wins: 2

A relative latecomer to co-driving, Jæger has enjoyed a rapid rise to the WRC ranks having started his career in 2014 in his native Norway alongside Bernt Kollevold. He made his world championship debut that year with Ole Christian Veiby in Spain before going on to contest a mix of mainly Junior WRC and European championship events the following season, scoring five podiums including a win in the former. Jæger's partnership with long-time friend Mikkelsen began in fine style in 2016 when they were second on Rallye Monte-Carlo, one of six podium visits that included two victories.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 3, 2017 result: Rtd, Best result: 2



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HYUNDAI HEROES

Thierry Neuville and Nicolas Gilsoul

#5 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC (chassis 010)



THIERRY NEUVILLE

Date of birth: June 16, 1988

Place of birth: Sankt Vith, Belgium

Nationality: Belgian

WRC starts: 90

WRC wins: 7

Neuville is a firm title contender for Hyundai Motorsport – especially following his Rally Sweden victory and podium finishes in Corsica and Argentina – having finished a close second in 2017. His successes last year included four victories – the most of any driver – and he finished with a win in Australia. Having enjoyed huge success at junior level before stepping up to the WRC in 2009, the Belgian finished second in the 2013 standings after a highly competitive season. Those performances caught the eye of Hyundai's fledgling WRC team and he was signed for its debut campaign. Alongside co-driver Nicolas Gilsoul, Neuville scored the team's debut podium in Mexico 2014 and led a memorable one-two (ahead of Dani Sordo) on Rallye Deutschland – the squad's maiden victory. Although German is Neuville's first language, French is used on events as the shorter words make communication more efficient.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 7, 2017 result: 2, Best result: 2



@thierryneuville



/thierryneuvilleofficial



NICOLAS GILSOUL

Date of birth: February 5, 1982

Place of birth: Chênée, Belgium

Nationality: Belgian

WRC starts: 85

WRC wins: 7

An experienced WRC campaigner, Gilsoul was awarded the prestigious WRC Co-driver of the Year accolade in 2016 after finishing second in that year's championship alongside Neuville. They joined forces in the spring of 2011 and the partnership quickly blossomed with victory on the Tour de Corse, then a round of the IRC, in only their second event together. Moving to Hyundai Motorsport for 2014, Gilsoul helped to secure the team's first victory on Rallye Deutschland that season, and Thierry is quick to praise his co-driver's precision and matching skillsets in the cockpit. Gilsoul's four wins with Neuville in 2017 was more than that scored by any other co-driver, confirming this Belgian's crew status as one of the most formidable in world rallying.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 6, 2017 result: 2, Best result: 2



@nicolasgilsoul



/nicolas.gilsoul

HYUNDAI HEROES

Hayden Paddon and Seb Marshall

#6 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC (chassis 007)



HAYDEN PADDON

Date of birth: April 20, 1987

Place of birth: Timaru, NZ

Nationality: New Zealander

WRC starts: 73

WRC wins: 1

Passionate rally fan Paddon made his World Rally Championship debut in 2007 on his home event in New Zealand. Inspired by his father to try karting as a child, Hayden went on to become a five-time New Zealand Rally Champion and won the FIA Production Car World Championship in 2011. He scored his first WRC points in Argentina that same year – and went on to win the event for Hyundai Motorsport in 2016, his maiden success at world level. Paddon has been a regular podium visitor for Hyundai since joining the team in 2014 and helped it to a one-two finish in Poland last year – a reminder of the Kiwi's exciting potential. Down-to-earth Paddon will share the number six Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC with Dani Sordo on select events this season.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 6, 2017 result: Rtd, Best result: 8



@HaydenPaddon



/haydenpaddonwrc



SEB MARSHALL

Date of birth: May 29, 1988

Place of birth: Tunbridge Wells, UK

Nationality: British

WRC starts: 41

WRC wins: 0

Highly respected Marshall will celebrate his 10th anniversary in the WRC this season, having made his debut on Rallye Deutschland in 2008. The Briton joined Hyundai Motorsport in 2015 as co-driver to Kevin Abbring, with the pair contributing significantly to the development of the team's WRC and R5 cars. On selected events, they scored stage wins and points for Hyundai in 2016, but it was all change the following year when Paddon's regular co-driver John Kennard retired and Marshall took his place on a permanent basis from Rallye Deutschland onwards. The pair have gelled well, with second place in Poland 2017 being a highlight of their partnership so far. Keen cyclist Marshall is renowned for his attention to detail when it comes to pace notes and often provides technical stage commentary for the media.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 3, 2017 result: Rtd, Best result: 51 (6 JWRC)



@SebMarshall



/SebMarshallRally

HYUNDAI HEROES

Dani Sordo and Carlos del Barrio

#16 Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC (chassis 004)



DANI SORDO

Date of birth: May 2, 1983

Place of birth: Torrelavega, Spain

Nationality: Spanish

WRC starts: 156

WRC wins: 1

Hugely consistent and experienced, Sordo has amassed a legion of fans since arriving in world rallying 15 years ago. This asphalt specialist's career began at the age of 12 in motocross and karting, but he also tried hillclimbing before moving to rallying and winning the Junior world crown in 2005. The Spaniard, who is reunited with former co-driver Carlos Del Barrio for 2018, scored his maiden WRC victory in Germany in 2013 and was signed by Hyundai Motorsport later that year. Since then he has been an integral part of the team. Sordo helped in Hyundai's milestone one-two result on Rallye Deutschland in 2014 and has since secured many more podiums. Scoring two top-three finishes in 2017 only added to his impressive list of achievements and he was second on this year's Rally Mexico – Hyundai's best result on that event – and third in Argentina.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 9, 2017 result: 3, Best result: 3



@DaniSordo



/DanielSordo



CARLOS DEL BARRIO

Date of birth: August 15, 1968

Place of birth: Santander, Spain

Nationality: Spanish

WRC starts: 82

WRC wins: 1

The vastly experienced del Barrio has co-driven for some of the biggest names in Spanish rallying. His career began in 1987 and he made his WRC debut in 1994 with Jesus Puras. They enjoyed tremendous success in their native Spain, winning three national titles. In 2004, del Barrio joined forces with Dani Sordo for an initial four-event campaign with the young Spaniard looking for an experienced co-driver. The pairing would reunite in 2011 for a longer WRC programme, which included three podiums and victory on the 2013 Rallye Deutschland. The crew will be chasing more success in 2018 with Hyundai Motorsport.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 5, 2017 result: –, Best result: 8



@CarlosdelBarrio



/Carlos.delbarriocorral

HYUNDAI HEROES

Jari Huttunen and Antti Linnaketo

#35 Hyundai i20 R5



JARI HUTTUNEN

Date of birth: February 28, 1994

Place of birth: Kiuruvesi, Finland

Nationality: Finnish

WRC starts: 6

WRC wins: 0

Rising star Huttunen has joined Hyundai Motorsport's Driver development Program (HMDP) for 2018 to contest selected events in the WRC2 category. The Finn, who was named the Finnish federation's Future Rally Star in 2015 after winning the SM3 class in his national championship, was chosen to take part in the HMDP project after impressing the team during a rigorous evaluation process. As a result, he will undertake a programme of tests and WRC events in a Hyundai i20 R5 this season. Huttunen and co-driver Antti Linnaketo won the 2016 ADAC Opel Rallye Cup in Germany, with six victories from seven events, before going on to contest last year's ERC Junior U27 title in which they finished second. The pair also won the WRC2 class on last year's Rally Finland.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 0, 2016 result: -, Best result: -



@HuttunenRacing



/JariHuttunenRacing



ANTTI LINNAKETO

Date of birth: October 29, 1979

Place of birth: Hattula, Finland

Nationality: Finnish

WRC starts: 9

WRC wins: 0

Linnaketo's co-driving career stretches back to 2004, when he began contesting events in his native Finland and neighbouring Estonia. He made his WRC debut in 2010 on Rally Finland, co-driving for Juha Laaksonen, and first teamed up with Huttunen in 2014 when they finished third in class SM3 on the Pirelli Ralli Tampere in Finland. The pair had been introduced that summer in a meeting facilitated by the AKK Driver Academy and, of course, went on to national success the following year on home soil. Huttunen and Linnaketo got their first competitive taste of the Hyundai i20 R5 on last year's Wales Rally GB, when they gained some useful experience in the privately entered car ahead of this year's WRC2 campaign.

RALLY DE PORTUGAL RECORD:

Starts: 0, 2016 result: -, Best result: -

Hyundai Motorsport **WHO'S WHO?**



Scott Noh – President

Having held global roles within the Hyundai family since 1993, Mr Noh joined Hyundai Motorsport as President in March 2018 to oversee all areas of the operation, coordinating on a daily basis with Hyundai Motor Company in Korea.



Michel Nandan – Team Principal

Vastly experienced, Nandan has built the Hyundai Motorsport team from scratch including establishing the squad's base in Alzenau, Germany and the recruitment of experienced staff.



Alain Penasse – Team Manager

With responsibility for logistics, organisation and operation, Penasse plays an integral role in the running of the team.



Bertrand Vallat – Chief Designer

A key early appointment to the Hyundai Motorsport fold, Vallat oversees the team's engineering and technical development.



Julien Moncet – Engine Department Manager

Moncet took over full management of the engine department in March of this year and now spearheads all engine programmes at the company's Alzenau facility, including WRC and Customer Racing.



Ernst Kopp – Workshop Manager

Kopp utilises his experience gained from working in Formula One, sportscar racing and the WRC in his role.



Stefan Ph. Henrich – Director of Marketing and PR

A Hyundai Motor Europe spokesperson for more than a decade, Henrich works closely with team boss Michel Nandan managing the PR and marketing plan.











HYUNDAI IS HERE... EM PORTUGAL

- In the past three years of activity, Hyundai Portugal has enjoyed very strong growth, finishing 2017 for the second time in a row as the top 20 brand with the biggest growth rate. Last year, sales grew by 43 per cent while the market registered 7.6 per cent, maintaining a record of more than 40 per cent annual growth in the past few years.
- With a sustained and renewed dealer network covering all territories, 2017 was marked by the launch of number of new models including the Hyundai i30, KAUAI, IONIQ PHEV and IONIQ EV.
- This will be yet another strong year for the brand with the launch of the i30 N and i30 Fastback to join the i30 Hatchback and i30 Station Wagon (Family Car of the Year 2018). The complete Hyundai KAUAI range will be available by mid-year, featuring electric and diesel versions. Also in 2018, Hyundai will launch the Hyundai i20, New Generation Santa Fe and Tucson.
- Hyundai Portugal continues to enjoy success with commercial light vehicles such as the i20 Van, H-1 and the H350, offering a wide model range with specific answers for alternative needs and preferences.
- Hyundai presents itself today as a strong brand with a renewed and extended range in which the design, quality of construction and use of technology stands out in a complete package that includes an exclusive five years unlimited mileage warranty, and great value for both business and private customers.
- For more information visit:
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HYUNDAI'S WORLD TOUR

FIA World Rally Championship 2018 calendar

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|  | Round 1 | Rallye Monte-Carlo www.acm.mc | January 25-28 |
|  | Round 2 | Rally Sweden www.rallysweden.com* | February 15-18 |
|  | Round 3 | Rally Guanajuato México www.rallymexico.com* | March 08-11 |
|  | Round 4 | Tour de Corse www.tourdecorse.com | April 05-08 |
|  | Round 5 | YPF Rally Argentina www.rallyargentina.com | April 26-29 |
|  | Round 6 | Vodafone Rally de Portugal www.rallydeportugal.pt* | May 17-20 |
|  | Round 7 | Rally Italia Sardegna www.rallyitaliasardegna.com | June 07-10 |
|  | Round 8 | Neste Rally Finland www.nesteoilrallyfinland.fi | July 26-29 |
|  | Round 9 | ADAC Rallye Deutschland www.adac-rallye-deutschland.de | August 16-19 |
|  | Round 10 | Marmaris Rally Turkey www.marmarisrallyturkey.com | September 14-16 |
|  | Round 11 | Dayinsure Wales Rally GB www.walesrallygb.com | October 04-07 |
|  | Round 12 | RallyRACC Catalunya-Rally de España www.rallyracc.com | October 25-28 |
|  | Round 13 | Kennards Hire Rally Australia www.rallyaustralia.com.au | November 15-18 |

*Jari Huttunen to contest WRC2 class for Hyundai Motorsport.
Additional events TBC.

THE SCORES ON THE BOARDS

Hyundai drivers 2018 season results:

| Event | Mikkelsen | Neuville | Sordo | Paddon | Huttunen (WRC2) |
|---------------|-----------|----------|-------|--------|-----------------|
| Monte-Carlo | 14 | 5 | R | - | - |
| Sweden | 3 | 1 | - | 5 | 6 (18 overall) |
| Mexico | 4 | 6 | 2 | - | 6 (18 overall) |
| Corsica | 7 | 3 | 4 | - | - |
| Argentina | 5 | 2 | 3 | - | - |
| Portugal | - | - | - | - | - |
| Sardinia | - | - | - | - | - |
| Finland | - | - | - | - | - |
| Germany | - | - | - | - | - |
| Turkey | - | - | - | - | - |
| Great Britain | - | - | - | - | - |
| Spain | - | - | - | - | - |
| Australia | - | - | - | - | - |

FIA World Rally Championship 2018 standings (after round 5 of 13)

DRIVERS

1 Sébastien Ogier (FRA) 100pts; **2 Thierry Neuville (BEL) 90**; 3 Ott Tänak (EST) 72; **4 Andreas Mikkelsen (NOR) 54**; **5 Dani Sordo (ESP) 45**; 6 Kris Meeke (GBR) 43; 7 Esapekka Lappi (FIN) 40; 8 Jari-Matti Latvala (FIN) 31; 9 Elfyn Evans (GBR) 26; 10 Craig Breen (IRL) 20; 11 Sébastien Loeb (FRA) 15, **12 Hayden Paddon (NZL) 10**; etc.

MANUFACTURERS

1 Hyundai Shell Mobis World Rally Team 144pts; 2 M-Sport Ford World Rally Team 129; 3 Toyota Gazoo Racing World Rally Team 124; 4 Citroën Total Abu Dhabi World Rally Team 93

PORTUGAL MEANS

- Named 'Best Rally in the World' on five occasions, Rally de Portugal returns this year with a route situated largely on the one run in 2017. Once again, this popular event is based in the north of the country on tricky gravel roads around Matosinhos, near Porto, with Thursday evening's start at the castle in Guimarães, Portugal's oldest city. This is followed by a superspecial stage at the Lousada rallycross circuit, which attracts a crowd of thousands.
- On Friday, the crews head towards the Spanish border for three repeated tests at Viano do Castelo, before a return to the Porto city street stage last used two years ago, which is being run with only minor alterations to the 1,95km route.
- Most of Saturday's action is again held on demanding roads in the Cabreira Mountains, while on Sunday the rally is once more based around the famous Fafe test – renowned for its huge jumps and even bigger crowds. This year there will be two visits to Fafe, with the second counting as the rally-closing Power Stage, as well as runs through Montim and Luihas.
- Automóvel Club de Portugal (ACP) ran the first TAP Rally in 1967, which counted as round three of the inaugural World Rally Championship in 1973, before taking on its Rally de Portugal title in '75. Originally run as a mixed surface rally, it is now based primarily on gravel. Finn Markku Alén and reigning champion Sébastien Ogier have both won the event five times.
- Heavy rain in 2001 resulted in the event being dropped from the WRC calendar in favour of Rallye Deutschland for 2002, but Rally de Portugal made a welcome return as a WRC fixture in 2007 with the action based south in the warmer (and drier) Algarve region. It then returned to the north of the country for the first time in 14 years in 2015.
- The first TAP Rally was won by Portuguese crew Carpinteiro Albino/Silva Pereira in a Renault 8 Gordini, while the first event to count as a round of the WRC was won by Jean-Luc Thérier/Jacques Jaubert in an Alpine Renault.

Recent winners

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|------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2017 | Sébastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia | Ford Fiesta WRC |
| 2016 | Kris Meeke/Paul Nagle | Citroën DS3 WRC |
| 2015 | Jari-Matti Latvala/Miikka Anttila | Volkswagen Polo R WRC |
| 2014 | Sébastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia | Volkswagen Polo R WRC |
| 2013 | Sébastien Ogier/Julien Ingrassia | Volkswagen Polo R WRC |

EVENT ITINERARY*

DAY ONE, PART ONE: Thursday May 17, 2018

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| Start - Guimarães | 18h10 |
| SS1 Lousada SSS | 3,36km 19h03 |
| Parc Fermé - Exponor In | 20h00 |

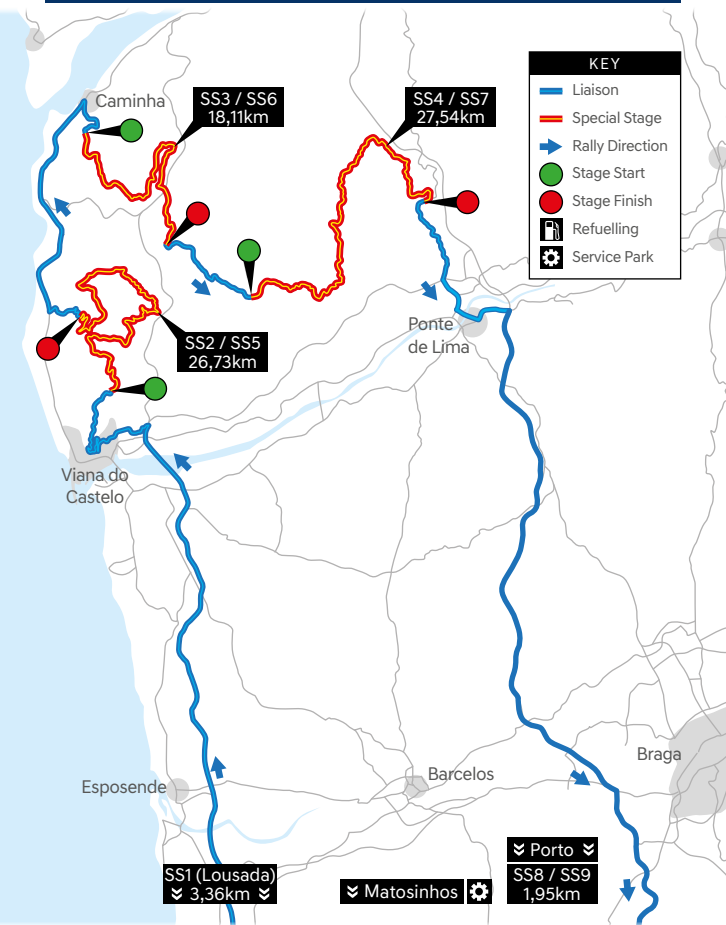
DAY ONE, PART TWO: Friday May 18, 2018

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| Service A - Exponor In | 0h19 | 07h45 |
| SS2 Viana do Castelo 1 | 26,73km | 09h15 |
| SS3 Caminha 1 | 18,11km | 10h20 |
| SS4 Ponte de Lima 1 | 27,54km | 10h53 |
| Regroup and Technical Zone Exponor In | 0h15 | 13h25 |
| Service B - Exponor In | 0h34 | 13h40 |
| SS5 Viana do Castelo 2 | 26,73km | 15h25 |
| SS6 Caminha 2 | 18,11km | 16h30 |
| SS7 Ponte de Lima 2 | 27,54km | 17h03 |
| SS8 Porto Street Stage 1 | 1,95km | 19h03 |
| SS9 Porto Street Stage 2 | 1,95km | 19h28 |
| Technical Zone Exponor In | 0h10 | 20h00 |
| Flexi-Service C - Exponor In | 0h49 | 20h10 |
| Parc Fermé - Exponor In | | 00h00 |

DAY TOTALS (PARTS ONE AND TWO):

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| Special stage distance: | 152,02km |
| Liaison distance: | 552,80km |
| Total distance: | 704,82km |

DAY ONE: Thursday May 17 / Friday May 18, 2018



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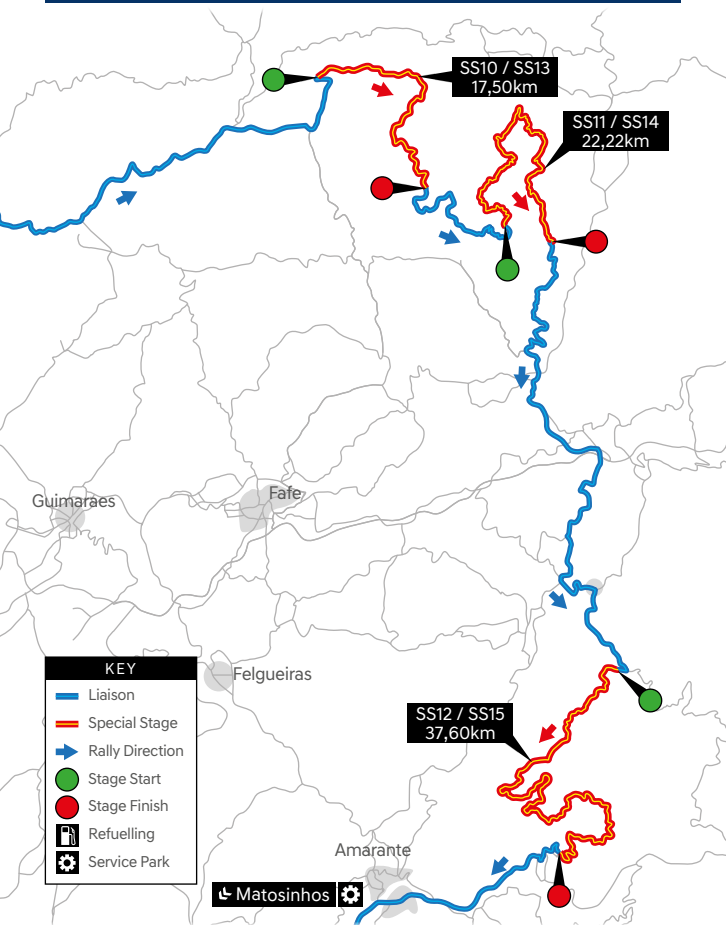
DAY TWO: Saturday May 19, 2018

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| Service D – Exponor In | 0h19 | 07h15 |
| SS10 Vieira do Minho 1 | 17,50km | 09h08 |
| SS11 Cabeceiras de Basto 1 | 22,22km | 09h46 |
| SS12 Amarante 1 | 37,60km | 11h05 |
| Regroup and Technical Zone Exponor In | 0h15 | 12h45 |
| Service E – Exponor In | 0h34 | 13h00 |
| SS13 Vieira do Minho 2 | 17,50km | 15h08 |
| SS14 Cabeceiras de Basto 2 | 22,22km | 15h46 |
| SS15 Amarante 2 | 37,60km | 17h05 |
| Technical Zone Exponor In | 0h10 | 18h50 |
| Flexi-Service F – Exponor In | 0h49 | 19h00 |
| Parc Fermé – Exponor In | No later than 23h00 | |

DAY TOTALS:

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| Special stage distance: | 154,64km |
| Liaison distance: | 446,96km |
| Total distance: | 601,60km |

DAY TWO: Saturday May 19, 2018



EVENT ITINERARY*

DAY THREE: Sunday May 20, 2018

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| Service G – Exponor In | 0h19 | 07h00 |
| SS16 Montim 1 | 8,64km | 08h35 |
| SS17 Fafe 1 | 11,18km | 09h08 |
| SS18 Luíhas | 11,89km | 09h36 |
| SS19 Montim 2 | 8,64km | 10h35 |
| Regroup Fafe In | 1h00 | 10h55 |
| SS20 Fafe 2 (Power Stage) | 11,18km | 12h18 |
| Technical Zone Exponor In | 0h03 | 13h47 |
| Service H – Exponor In | 0h14 | 13h50 |
| Finish – Matosinhos | | 14h20 |

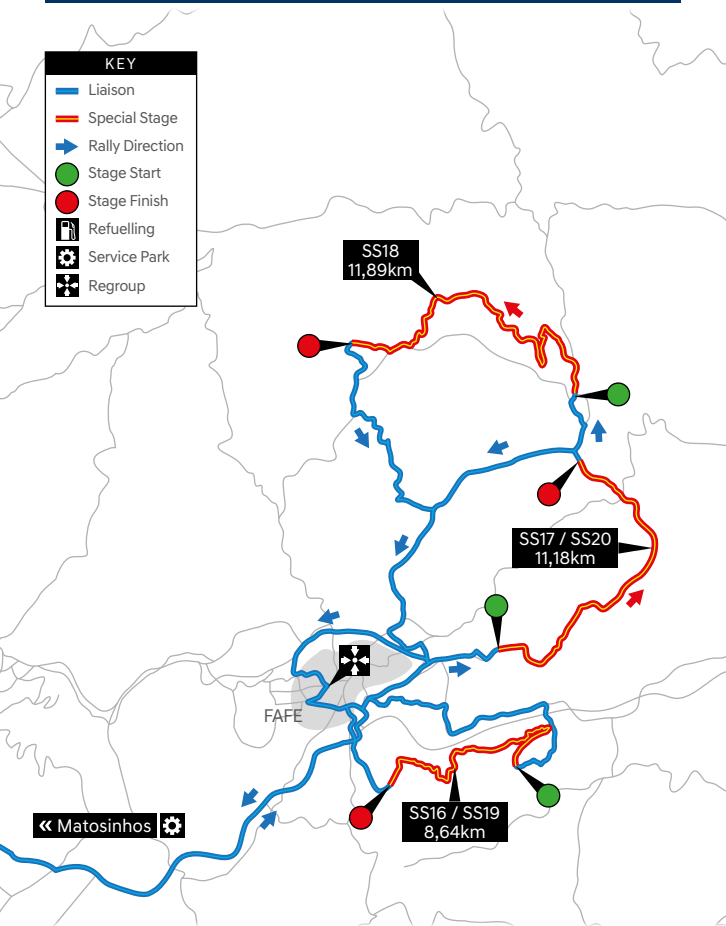
DAY TOTALS:

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| Special stage distance: | 51,53km |
| Liaison distance: | 225,13km |
| Total distance: | 276,66km |

RALLY DE PORTUGAL TOTALS:

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| Special stage distance: | 358,19km |
| Liaison distance: | 1224,89km |
| Total distance: | 1583,08km |

DAY THREE: Sunday May 20, 2018



LEADING ENTRIES*

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| 1 | Sébastien Ogier (FRA) / Julien Ingrassia (FRA) | Ford Fiesta WRC |
| 2 | Elfyn Evans (GBR) / Daniel Barritt (GBR) | Ford Fiesta WRC |
| 3 | Teemu Suninen (FIN) / Mikko Markkula (FIN) | Ford Fiesta WRC |
| 4 | Andreas Mikkelsen (NOR) / Anders Jæger (NOR) | Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC |
| 5 | Thierry Neuville (BEL) / Nicolas Gilsoul (BEL) | Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC |
| 6 | Hayden Paddon (NZL) / Sebastian Marshall (GBR) | Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC |
| 7 | Jari-Matti Latvala (FIN) / Miiikka Anttila (FIN) | Toyota Yaris WRC |
| 8 | Ott Tänak (EST) / Martin Järveoja (EST) | Toyota Yaris WRC |
| 9 | Esapekka Lappi (FIN) / Janne Ferm (FIN) | Toyota Yaris WRC |
| 10 | Kris Meeke (GBR) / Paul Nagle (IRL) | Citroën C3 WRC |
| 11 | Craig Breen (IRL) / Scott Martin (GBR) | Citroën C3 WRC |
| 12 | Mads Østberg (NOR) / Torstein Eriksen (NOR) | Citroën C3 WRC |
| 16 | Dani Sordo (ESP) / Carlos del Barrio (ESP) | Hyundai i20 Coupe WRC |
| 21 | Yazeed Al-Rajhi (SAU) / Michale Orr (GBR) | Ford Fiesta WRC |
| 35 | Jari Huttunen (FIN) / Antti Linnaketo (FIN) | Hyundai i20 R5 |

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TEAM MEDIA FUNCTIONS DURING RALLY DE PORTUGAL:

Media Lounge:

18h00-18h45, Wednesday May 16, Hyundai Shell Mobis World Rally Team Hospitality Unit, Service Park, Exponor, Matosinhos

OTHER EVENTS DURING RALLY DE PORTUGAL:

Shakedown:

07h30-13h00, Thursday May 17, Paredes (4,60km)

Pre-event FIA press conference:

12h30, Thursday May 17, Exponor

Rally start:

18h10, Thursday May 17, Guimarães

Podium ceremony and prize-giving:

15h45, Sunday May 20, Matosinhos

Post-event FIA press conference:

16h30, Sunday May 20, Media Centre, Exponor, Matosinhos

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