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Hyundai Motorsport secure an impressive 1-2 victory at Sardinia Rally Italy Sard

Long-time Ricardo customers, Hyundai Motorsport, secured first and second positions in the Sardinia Rally despite the challenging conditions on the stages.

Hyundai Motorsport, customer of Ricardo's performance products business unit, claimed 1st and 2nd position at Rally Sardinia in the FIA World Rally Championship (WRC).

Belgians, Thierry Neuville and Martijn Wyadaeghe, secured the win 33 seconds ahead of Finnish pair Esapekka Lappi and Janne Ferm after overcoming challenging conditions caused by unseasonably wet weather.

The victory puts Neuville and Wydaeghe 2nd in the standings ahead of Safari Rally Kenya 22-25 June.

Ricardo supply Hyundai Motorsport with drivelines for both Rally 1 and Rally 2 championships. The gearbox and rear axle for the front-engined, four-wheel drive vehicle are designed, manufactured, assembled, and tested at the Midlands Technical Centre (MTC) in Leamington Spa, UK. Ricardo also manages spares provision from their Midlands location for Hyundai.

Martin Starkey, Managing Director for Ricardo's performance products business unit said:

"Congratulations to all at Hyundai on this impressive 1-2 victory. The Ricardo team are thrilled by your success."

"This marks the second year that Hyundai are using a Ricardo driveline in Rally 1, and we have been supplying Rally 2 since 2015. We are very proud of our long association with the Alzenau team, and we look forward to monitoring the progress in the run up to Rally Kenya later this month."

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