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## **Ricardo and DS Performance extend their collaboration into third generation vehicle**

*Ricardo will continue its successful multiple championship-winning relationship with DS Performance, designing and supplying transmissions for the team's car competing in the world's premier all-electric street racing championship*

As the trusted engineering partner for world-championship winning and world-record breaking motorsport teams for over 40 years, Ricardo Performance Products has today announced it will be extending its successful relationship with DS Performance to design and supply transmissions for the team's car competing in Formula E season 8 and extending into seasons 9 and 10 with the third generation vehicle.

Ricardo has been successfully supporting DS Performance in Formula E for a number of years. In particular, the collaboration resulted in the 'double double' drivers' and team championships for DS Techeetah in the 2019-2020 season and the 2018-2019 season. The bespoke transmissions which Ricardo will supply to DS Performance will be designed in conjunction with the team in Satory and manufactured by the specialist engineers and niche manufacturing team at Ricardo's Midlands Technical Centre in Leamington Spa in the UK.

Thomas Chevaucher, Director DS Performance said: "DS Performance is pleased to continue its partnership with Ricardo. As Director of DS Performance, I am seeking to add to DS Techeetah's rankings in both the drivers' and teams' titles in Formula E, and we look to the competitive edge, ultra efficiency and high performance that Ricardo transmissions bring to our car."

Martin Starkey, Managing Director of Ricardo Performance Products said: "Ricardo and DS Performance have a long and trusted history together, and we are proud to extend our relationship into season 8 of Formula E and beyond. The world's premier electric racing series, Formula E demands excellence in driveline performance, and it has been our honour to supply extreme performance and high efficiency transmissions which have powered DS Performance to victory in double double championship titles. We wish our partners at DS Performance every success in the new season."

With typical 0-100 km/h acceleration of 2.8 seconds and incredibly high motor speeds, gearbox efficiency, weight and durability optimization are crucially important, and Ricardo uses cutting-edge design and analysis methods, testing facilities, and world-class advanced manufacturing technology to deliver transmissions to the required ultra-high quality standard.

Formula E provides an exciting and competitive platform for global car manufacturers and mobility providers to test and develop road-relevant technologies. The series aims to act as a catalyst to help refine the design of electric vehicles and improve the driving experience for everyday road car users all over the world. Season 8 of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship starts with double-header races in Diriyah, Saudi Arabia on 28 and 29 January 2022, with 14 further races in major cities across North and South America, Asia, South Africa and Europe, concluding in Seoul, South Korea on 13 and 14 August 2022.



Ricardo will be showing some of its race-winning technologies for transmissions, drivelines and vehicles at the Professional Motorsport World show at Cologne, Germany, on 10-12 November 2021, stand number 4005.

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