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## **Polish champion among the stars at the legendary track**

**Robertas Kupcikas - Volkswagen Castrol Cup 2014 winner and Polish racing champion will compete in the final round of prestigious Scirocco R-Cup 2014, which will be held this weekend at famous German track Hockenheim.**

Scirocco R-Cup, a cup for Volkswagen Scirocco drivers is one of the most prestigious touring car racing series in the world. This season the races are held on the tracks in Germany and Austria accompanying the legendary DTM series. The history of Scirocco R-Cup began in 1976, when the race of first Volkswagen racing series was organised at Hockenheim circuit. Young drivers raced in the equal Volkswagen Sciroccos equipped in 105 bhp engines.

Scirocco R-Cup in the current formula started in 2010. Drivers compete behind the wheels of cars powered by 2-liter TSI engines, which deliver as many as 235 bhp. Like in the Volkswagen Castrol Cup, also in the Scirocco R-Cup drivers can use Push - to - Pass system, which gives 50 bhp power boost for a few seconds. Interestingly, engines in cup Sciroccos are not powered by petrol. They run on natural gas (CNG), which makes it the most eco-friendly racing series in the world.

The final round of Scirocco R-Cup 2014 is scheduled for 17-18th October. Robertas Kupcikas will be among 25 drivers who will take part in the event at the famous Hockenheim track. Volkswagen Castrol Cup winner has a chance to prove his potential behind the wheel of the Scirocco thanks to exchange program for drivers, who race in different Volkswagen series. This program allows talented competitors from around the world to gain the experience by racing in other series. Last year Jan Kisiel - third in Volkswagen Castrol Cup 2013 was given the chance to take part in the round of the Mexican Formula LatAm powered by Volkswagen. This year, in addition to Kupcikas, also Gosia Rdest and Dylan Pereira will benefit from the exchange program. Soon Gosia and Dylan will start in one of the rounds of the Volkswagen Polo Cup India. Robertas Kupcikas will not be the first Polish racing champion who will compete at Hockenheim. Before Lithuanian it was Adam Gladysz, Mateusz Lisowski and Maciek Steinhof who successfully raced there behind the wheel of the cup Scirocco – the same that Kupcikas is going to use.

At Hockenheim Kupcikas once again this season will have the opportunity to face the winner of this year's Scirocco R-Cup - Jordan Lee Pepper. These two drivers competed for the first time during the final round of the Volkswagen Castrol Cup at the track in Poznań. For the driver from South Africa it was a guest appearance in the Polish cup. Experienced Kupcikas will make his debut behind the wheel of a racing Volkswagen Scirocco, which is why the driver from Vilnius can count on advice from Adam Gladysz. Active racing driver who 2014 season competed in the behind the wheel of a Porsche 911, and sporting coordinator of Volkswagen Castrol Cup, knows the Scirocco R-Cup very well. Tarnow-born driver successfully competed in this series in the 2010-2012 seasons.

Race weekend at Hockenheim starts with the free practice session, which is scheduled for Friday, October 17, at 15:45 hour. On Saturday at 12:40, during qualifying session, Kupcikas will fight for the position on the grid. On the same day at 17:10 the final race of 2014 Scirocco R-Cup season will begin. The race will be broadcast live on the Internet, thanks to live-streaming technology. Free coverage will be available at [www.volkswagen-motorsport.com](http://www.volkswagen-motorsport.com).

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