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## “STARTING SHOT” FOR THE “RACE OF CHAMPIONS” 2010: THE KTM X-BOW ON A VISIT TO DÜSSELDORF STADIUM!

The “Race of Champions” is the undisputable highlight and at the same time the great finale of each motor sports’ year. The world’s best racing drivers from the various motor sports disciplines in face-to-face battle with each other, driving spectacular vehicles – in particular, of course, the X-BOW as already seen in the past years in the traditional Wembley Stadium (2008) and in the impressive Birdsnest Olympic Stadium in Beijing.

On the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of November this year the „ROC Nations Cup“ as well as the classic „Race of Champions“ are being decided in Germany, more precisely in the Esprit Arena Düsseldorf! Thus, after many years, the “ROC” returns to Germany. In 1989 there was already a guest appearance, then at the Nürburgring. This year the hyper-modern stadium is the stage for the stars of the “pedal to the metal” scene, the KTM X-BOW & Co. ROC mastermind Fredrik Johnsson: “We are very happy to give the German fans the opportunity to see Michael Schumacher, Sebastian Vettel and all the other superstars drive in the unique surroundings of a stadium!” An additional bonus for the spectators faced with the late date in November: The 50.000-capacity stadium has a fully closable roof and heating!

The return to Germany is a particularly happy event for the aforementioned local heroes, in shape of the seven-time Formula One Champion Michael Schumacher and the new German superstar Sebastian Vettel, who will both start in front of a home crowd for the very first time at an ROC event. On the occasion of the press conference both Formula One stars were accordingly euphoric. Michael Schumacher: “It’s very exciting to see the Race of Champions in Germany.” And Sebastian Vettel, who is known to have climbed into a KTM X-BOW just for fun in his spare time, adds: “The Race of Champions is the perfect finish to the season where the drivers always have lots of fun. But as soon as we put on our helmets we get down to the task and Michael and I will certainly make a particular effort in front of the home crowd!”

And it was not long until the next highlight: In time for the advance ticket sales (tickets are available from 20<sup>th</sup> May from 29.- Euro) another superstar has announced himself, taking part in the “Race of Champions” for the first time: Alain Prost, four-time Formula One World Champion and French racing driver legend will get behind the X-BOW’s steering wheel – probably with the seven-time Rallye world champion Sebastian Loeb in his team – in order to fly the flag for France. The “Professor”, as he was known during his Formula One career is already looking forward to the competition in November: “I am so happy to be finally taking part in the Race of Champions. The race will be a pure pleasure, with all the great drivers from the different disciplines and generations!”

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