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DHL Express Becomes Official Logistics Provider for the Race Of Champions

- DHL Express has signed an agreement to become Official Logistics Provider for the Race Of Champions
- The company will support the shipping and logistics for the upcoming Race Of Champions on January 21-22, 2017 – starting this week by bringing the famous ROC Winner's Trophy to Miami's Marlins Park
- The lineup for ROC Miami features four-time Formula 1 World Champion Sebastian Vettel, fellow F1 great Felipe Massa, World Rallycross Champion Petter Solberg and "Mr. Le Mans" Tom Kristensen
- The field also includes NASCAR champion Kurt Busch, action sports stars Travis Pastrana and Scott Speed, plus Indianapolis 500 winners Juan Pablo Montoya, Ryan Hunter-Reay, Tony Kanaan and Alexander Rossi
- Many more racing superstars will be announced in the run-up to ROC Miami, with tickets on sale at www.raceofchampions.com

DHL Express will be the Official Logistics Provider for the first Race Of Champions on American soil – inside Marlins Park in Miami on January 21-22, 2017.

The international shipping and courier delivery company will support the logistical demands of putting together the world's fastest stadium race, including shipping the event's competition cars and the time-keeping system. This week DHL Express brought over the first precious piece of cargo, using its fast transatlantic shipping services to transport the famous ROC Winner's Trophy, which will be awarded to the overall Champion Of Champions.

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Said ROC President Fredrik Johnsson: "We are very happy to welcome DHL Express as our new Official Logistics Provider for the Race Of Champions. We are confident that DHL will help us ensure that the first-ever ROC in America will be a resounding success. They will provide logistics support for vital parts of the event, including the shipping of race cars and the time-keeping system. They're already at work, too – this week we were delighted to welcome the iconic ROC Winner's Trophy, which DHL Express delivered to Marlins Park in Miami within a day of signing the agreement."

"We are excited about the opportunity to use our global shipping network and deploy our highly motivated International Specialists to deliver for the Race Of Champions," said Christine Nashick, Chief Marketing Officer for DHL Express Americas. "The event showcases the best drivers in their profession and is a wonderful way to demonstrate the speed and passion of the DHL brand. We will 'roc' you with our high level of service!"



The Race Of Champions is an annual contest that has been held for more than 25 years. It brings together some of the world's greatest drivers from all of the major motorsports – including Formula 1, NASCAR, IndyCar, Le Mans, MotoGP, Touring Cars, World Rally and action sports – and sets them free to battle head-to-head in identical machinery. All the racing takes place in a stunning range of superfast cars, a perfect blend of speed and precision already familiar to DHL Express.

The ROC event is run over two days: first comes the Race Of Champions itself (on Saturday, January 21), featuring a flat-out battle for individual glory. Then on Sunday, January 22, comes the ROC Nations Cup, when drivers pair up in teams based on nationality to bid for the title of World's Fastest Nation. In 2017, this will see America take on the rest of the world in a special contest in celebration of the host venue.

In recent years, ROC has visited the Stade de France in Paris (2004-2006), London's Wembley Stadium (2007-2008), the "Bird's Nest" Olympic Stadium in Beijing (2009),

Düsseldorf's Esprit Arena (2010-2011), the Rajamangala Stadium in Bangkok (2012), Bushy Park Barbados (2014) and London's former Olympic Stadium (2015).

Now the event is heading to the United States for the first time, to soak up the heat of Miami. Florida's sports fans will have a chance to watch the speediest action Marlins Park has ever seen, as many of the world's greatest drivers push to the absolute limit on a specially designed racing track winding its way around the infield and outfield.

The star-studded ROC Miami field features many of the greatest stars of world motorsports. The competitors include four-time Formula 1 world champion Sebastian Vettel; fellow F1 star Felipe Massa; "Mr. Le Mans" Tom Kristensen; Indianapolis 500 winners Juan Pablo Montoya, Ryan Hunter-Reay, Tony Kanaan and Alexander Rossi; action sports greats Travis Pastrana and Scott Speed; NASCAR champion Kurt Busch; and double FIA World Rallycross Champion Petter Solberg. Even more big names will be announced in the run-up to January's event.

The Race Of Champions has non-stop action from start to finish – featuring stunt shows on four wheels and two wheels, plus DJs, cheerleaders and plenty of other entertainment to keep race fans on the edge of their seats.

Tickets for ROC Miami are now available via www.raceofchampions.com. For access to rights-free high-resolution imagery, and to keep up with all the latest news ahead of this year's event, please visit www.raceofchampions.com, Race Of Champions on Facebook plus @raceofchampions and #ROCMiami on Twitter.

Drivers already confirmed for ROC Miami:

Sebastian VETTEL, four-time Formula 1 World Champion Tom KRISTENSEN, nine-time Le Mans 24 Hours Winner Petter SOLBERG, double FIA World Rallycross Champion Juan-Pablo MONTOYA, 2015 Indianapolis 500 Winner Ryan HUNTER-REAY, 2014 Indianapolis 500 Winner Tony KANAAN, 2013 Indianapolis 500 Winner Felipe MASSA, 11-time Formula 1 Grand Prix Winner Kurt BUSCH, 2004 NASCAR Champion Travis PASTRANA, Action Sports Legend Scott SPEED, double Global Rallycross Champion Alexander ROSSI, 2016 Indianapolis 500 Winner

