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Timo Schulz and Tom Dufour set the First Sanremo Rally Electric-ADAC Opel alight

It was a spectacular show from the electric cars on the special stages in the Sanremo hinterland, with a close battle between the top two in the standings; the Italians Valentino Ledda and Matteo Greco performed well, finishing fifth and sixth overall. The Mokkas also performed well, demonstrating their reliability by all completing the first day

SANREMO (IM), 15 October – A close battle unfolded on the first day of the First Sanremo Rally Electric-ADAC Opel between 27-year-old German Timo Schulz (second in the Mokka Trophy standings at the start of the day), who shares the Opel Mokka GSE with Maresa Lade, and 20-year-old Frenchman Tom Dufour (third in the series standings ahead of the Ponente Ligure round), co-driven by his compatriot Alex Dubois. Dufour proved to be the most incisive and consistent, winning two of today's three special stages (San Romolo-Ghimbegna and Semoigo-Bajardo, the longest of the day) whilst clocking the second-fastest time on the middle stage, Molini-Buggio, where, however, he lost 12.5 seconds to Schulz, relinquishing the lead at San Romolo, before clawing back 3.2 seconds at Baiardo, allowing him to finish the day 5.7 seconds behind the driver from Rehlingen-Siersburg, who had started cautiously in the opening special stage before winning the second and setting the second-fastest time at Semoigo – performances that see him go into the night's rest in the lead. The other eleven competitors, led by Álex Español Jové, were already trailing, with Enrique Velasco Alonso 29.7 seconds behind the race leader, followed by the Welshman Ioan Lloyd, who shares the Mokka with his compatriot Sion Williams. Williams, who started this morning at the top of the trophy standings, put in an unconvincing performance at San Romolo (finishing only seventh, 26.1 seconds behind Dufour), and failing to get involved in the battle for the lead in the next two stages, consistently finishing third, ending the first day 47.4 seconds behind the championship leader. The two Italians performed well, with 19-year-old Sardinian Valentino Ledda, sharing the car with fellow Sardinian Matteo Zoncu, occupying fifth place just 2.4 seconds behind Lloyd, followed immediately by the other Italian, Matteo Greco, in sixth place overall. On the first day of racing, the Mokkas proved to be fast and spectacular cars, as well as reliable, with all the crews that set off this morning from Pian di Nave to Sanremo still in the running..

The rally weekend in the Western Liguria sees the City of Sanremo at the heart of the event, thanks to the collaboration with the Department for Tourism, Events and Sport: the Santa Tecla complex that host the race control centre and the press room; Via Adolfo Rava will be the service park; Piazza Colombo will be the regrouping point; and, finally, Pian di Nave, where all the winners will be celebrated; The motorsport event has benefited from the active support of the Liguria Region, which will be present on the finish podium at the

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prize-giving ceremony on Sunday evening, represented by Vice-President Simona Ferro.

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