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**24Hr Race - High Hopes for Bentley/ABT on YOKOHAMA Tyres**

Bentley and ABT Sportsline have started the season on a very strong footing with good success at the VLN (Endurance Championship) having achieved a splendid 2nd place overall at VLN1 and subsequent credible performances in the next races which followed VLN2 and 24Hr Qualifying race. Additionally the Continental GT3 cars, will enjoy an even stronger test this weekend with the team tackling one of the biggest challenges in International Motorsport, the famous 24-hour race on the Nürburgring-Nordschleife.

The legendary track on the Eifel will witness 3 Bentley cars at the starting grid, with a mix of seasoned drivers and youngsters that will include Christopher Brück, Christer Jöns, Christian Menzel (Germany) Jordan Pepper (South Africa), Nico Verdonck (Belgium) and the 2014 race winner, Christian Mamerow (Germany).

At ABT Sportsline, based in Kempten, the Bentley Continental GT3 cars are carefully prepared by the teams headed by its MD Hans-Jürgen Abt, Sports Director Thomas Biermaier and Head of Sports Marketing Harry Unflath, sharing different parts of the responsibilities the expectations are high. Besides two other racing series, the 24-hour project with Bentley is the third motorsport commitment of the company based in the Allgäu region. Working closely with the teams and drivers, the YOKOHAMA Motorsports support team is also intensively engaged in ensuring that the teams enjoy the best possible tyre options and tyre technical advice to deal with the demanding race and tough conditions.

The Nürburgring 24 Hours is considered in the motoring world as one of the most prestigious and challenging events – and a good performance at the race demonstrates World Class expertise.



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