

15 WorldTeams will start in 2025

For the cycling classic on May 1, 2025, 15 teams from the UCI WorldTour are expected. This reflects the continuous development of Eschborn-Frankfurt, as never before has the density of top teams been so high. The starting field will also be complemented by four of the best ProTeams. Altogether, a strong peloton which promises an exciting race.

The prestigious list of teams is led by Red Bull – BORA – hansgrohe, which not only brings the home advantage into play but is also expected to start with the defending champion. In 2024, Maxim Van Gils won the classic for Lotto. Now, he wants to strike again with the only German WorldTeam. In addition to Red Bull – BORA – hansgrohe, other top teams from the world rankings will be at the new starting line in the center of Eschborn. UAE Team Emirates – XRG, with Nils Politt, will be there, as well as Lidl-Trek, which has 2023 winner Sören Kragh Andersen in its ranks. For the first time since 2021, Visma | Lease a Bike will also return to Hesse and could have Cycloclassics winner Olav Kooij with them.

Fans along the route will likely not have to do without their local heroes. Team Picnic PostNL, with John Degenkolb, has confirmed its participation, as has the new team of Jonas Rutsch, Intermarché-Wanty, which could send another German, Georg Zimmermann, as well as last year's three-time Tour de France stage winner Biniam Girmay to the start. Soudal-Quick-Step on the other hand could impress with Maximilian Schachmann and rising French star Paul Magnier – a combination of a local pro and a potential winner.

On the way to his 100th career victory, Alexander Kristoff with Uno-X Mobility will also make a stop in Frankfurt. It would be like a fairytale if the record winner of the cycling classic were to claim his fifth victory in front of the Alte Oper and reach the milestone. He currently stands at 97 career wins. But not only the Norwegian ProTeam could upset the competition from the higher leagues. While Pascal Ackermann, in the Israel – Premier Tech jersey, would love to secure his second win since 2019, Tudor Pro Cycling with Marc Hirschi is ready, should the breakaway riders manage to hold off the sprinters.

Team-Selection Eschborn-Frankfurt 2025 (Stand: 6. März)

UCI WorldTeams

Alpecin-Deceuninck (BEL)

Arkea-B&B Hotels (FRA)

Bahrain Victorious (BRN)

Cofidis (FRA)

EF Education – EasyPost (USA)

Intermarché – Wanty (BEL)

Lidl-Trek (USA)



Movistar Team (ESP)
Red Bull – BORA – hansgrohe (GER)
Soudal Quick-Step (BEL)
Team Jayco AlUla (AUS)
Team Picnic PostNL (NED)
Team Visma | Lease a Bike (NED)
UAE Team Emirates – XRG (UAE)
XDS Astana Team (KAZ)

UCI ProTeams

Israel - Premier Tech (ISR)
Uno-X Mobility (NOR)
Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team (SUI)
Tudor Pro Cycling Team (SUI)