



Eschborn-Frankfurt and ŠKODA Velotour cancelled for May 1st – Postponement to a later date is being examined

Together with the city of Eschborn and the city of Frankfurt am Main, the Gesellschaft zur Förderung des Radsports decided to cancel the 59th edition of the race on May 1st and to consider postponing it to a later date. Given the current circumstances, the partners mutually agree that the implementation of the German Classic on May 1st cannot be guaranteed. All partners share the view that in this exceptional situation, the health of the athletes, participants, visitors and guests of the event must be our priority.

Claude Rach, Managing Director of the Gesellschaft zur Förderung des Radsports, the organizer of Eschborn-Frankfurt: "With this decision, we are making our contribution to slowing down the spread of the corona virus. We are aware of our social responsibility, because May 1st has been a bike festival for over 50 years. But currently it is not possible to celebrate the bike carefree."

Rach continues: "Our close and trusting partnership with Eschborn, Frankfurt and our partners is proving itself right now. Despite this extremely challenging situation we have reached a quick unanimous decision. I would like to thank Mr. Shaikh and Mr. Frank as well as our municipal partners of the Team Taunus and sponsors."

In a joint statement, Adnan Shaikh, Mayor of the City of Eschborn, and Markus Frank, City Councilor and Head of the Department of Economy, Sports, Public Safety and Fire Prevention of the City of Frankfurt, say: "The cancellation of Eschborn-Frankfurt on May 1st is one of the measures with which we want to limit the spread of the corona virus. It serves the safety of all citizens. The current challenge requires the full concentration of our authorities. With the early decision to postpone the event, we relieve the employees of the municipalities involved in the planning of Eschborn-Frankfurt. Health and approving authorities, the police and the fire department make an enormous contribution in this exceptional situation."

In addition to the elite race, the 4 contests of the ŠKODA Velotour and the other 13 events of Eschborn-Frankfurt will not take place on May 1st. Currently, it is examined with the responsible authorities and the UCI whether and when Eschborn-Frankfurt and the ŠKODA Velotour can be carried out in September or October this year and, if necessary, with what adjustments.

An overview of the most important questions is also made available for the participants of the ŠKODA Velotour at www.skoda-velotour.de.