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## **Preview: The Rally del Friuli welcomes 18 teams of the Mitropa Rally Cup**

(Munich, August 19, 2021) This weekend (21.-22.8.2021) The Rally del Friuli will start in the north of Italy as the 5th round of this year's Mitropa Rally Cup. On the special stages around Cividale east of Udine, 12 teams of the FIA classification and the Club Championship as well as 6 teams of the historic classification will fight for Mitropa Rally Cup points.

The two first-placed teams in the championship, Lukas Dunner (AUT) and Manuel Kößler (DEU), as well as the leader in the historic classification, Rino Muradore (ITA), will start the race against the clock on the almost 100-kilometer special stages and a total distance of 275 kilometers from Saturday morning.

Due to national regulations, the historic cars will race in a separate event, the "Rally Alpi Orientali", according to FIA Appendix K. The 3 different special stages, each of which will be run 2 times, are identical to those of the modern cars, but will be run just on Sunday.

<https://www.rallyalpiorientali.it/en/>

## **Mitropa Rally Cup Calendar 2021**

Rally Velenje (Slovenia) 28.-29.05.21  
54. Mecsek Rallye (Hungary) 24.-26.06.21  
Rally del Casentino – Toscana (Italy) 02.-03.07.21  
Rally Zelezniki (Slovenia) 23.-24.07.21  
Rally del Friuli (Italy) 19.-23.08.21  
Rally Nova Gorica (Slovenia) 9.-11.9.21  
ADAC 3-Städte-Rallye (Germany) 14.-16.10.21  
Rally Citta di Bassano (Italy) 22.-23.10.21

The Mitropa Rally Cup is of the oldest rally series in Europe. It was founded in 1965. Famous names such as Sandro Munari, Franz Wittmann, "Lucky" Luigi Battistolli, Armin Schwarz and Hermann Gassner have already entered their names in the series' winners' lists. Fans affectionately refer to the Mitropa Rally Cup as the "unofficial European Rally Championship for private drivers." The series is a championship recognized by the FIA (Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile). Participants can register in the categories FIA homologated vehicles and historic vehicles according to FIA Appendix K.

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