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**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY BEAUTIFUL CARS AND SO MANY GREAT CHAMPIONS
AT RALLYLEGEND 2018 (11-14 OCTOBER),
FEATURING KRIS MEEKE, MIKKO HIRVONEN, CRAIG BREEN, GUSTAVO TRELLES.
THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION OF MARTINI RACING BRINGS
MIKI BIASION, JUHA KANKKUNEN, MARKKU ALEN, ANDREA AGHINI, FRANCO CUNICO,
ALONG WITH RICCARDO PATRESE AND EMANUELE PIRRO.
“LEGENDARY MOMENTS” WITH “TONY” FASSINA, VUDAFIERI AND TOGNANA**



The Republic of San Marino. The call of Rallylegend is always strong. Once again this year, for the sixteenth time, the San Marino rally event presents a menu to make the fans mouths water, with its unique formula that has become tradition. The many initiatives and special guests will see the always welcoming Republic of San Marino take centre stage from 11 to 14 October.

One hundred and fifty cars and teams are registered, from twenty-two different countries, with the most beautiful cars of all, so significant and often unknown, coming from a range of places, to be seen in action together only here.

Rallylegend is recognised and appreciated not just by the “historic” rally champions, but by many who currently star in the World Rally Championship and who choose to attend this event for the simple fact that Rallylegend brings the cars and champions together, with no barriers, inside the Rallylegend Village that, for four days, becomes the “rally driver’s home”.

The already confirmed **Kris Meeke**, with Brannigan and a Ford Fiesta WRC, **Mikko Hirvonen**, with Lehtinen (Ford Focus WRC) and **Craig Breen**, with Scott Martin, on board a Citroen C4 WRC, will be joined by **Gustavo Trelles**, the multi-titled Uruguayan driver, flanked by Jorge Del Buono. Then there are the many national champions, from across the Old Continent, who don’t want to miss out on the San Marino event. Many will take part in the rally, the lynchpin of Rallylegend, but a good number prefer to put on a show for the public without the pressure of the stopwatch. And then, from garages across Europe, we have all the legendary rally cars from yesteryear (stands out including a Steyr Puch 650T from 1965 and a Ford Cortina Lotus from the same year) as well as the WRC of more recent times. An incredible showcase of rally history in motion, fifty years of legendary cars, all in one place in the Republic of San Marino.

BIG NAMES AT MARTINI RACING'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

As a brand, its story is closely linked to the history of rallying. After all, Martini Racing, which celebrates fifty years of motorsport activity this year, has been a winning presence in the rally world, particularly with its epic Lancia titles, but also in Formula 1, where it has won in the past and is still involved, and in Endurance racing too, its victories with Porsche and Lancia a highlight.

Approximately twenty legendary cars, all Martini Racing branded, will be exhibited at Rallylegend, some of which will take part in the rally.

Rallylegend will also bring together some of the big-name drivers linked to the brand, starting with **Miki Biasion**, who won his first world rally title thirty years ago.

He will be joined by **Juha Kankkunen**, four-time world rally champion, **Markku Alen**, still much-loved by the fans, **Andrea Aghini**, famed for his unforgettable win in the 1989 Sanremo rally with a Lancia Delta Hf in Martini Racing colours, **Franco Cunico**, three times Italian Rally Champion, with a Ford Escort Cosworth "coloured" Martini Racing. Will join them also **Riccardo Patrese**, who had a long Formula 1 career from 1977 to 1993, one which brought six victories, thirty-seven podiums and a second place finish in the 1992 championship with Williams. He raced with Martini Racing colours in the Sports Prototype world championship with Lancia, scoring second place in 1982, and **Emanuele Pirro**, who also competed in Formula 1, from 1989 to 1991, but who's most important wins came in Endurance (also with Lancia Martini Racing), with five victories in the legendary Le Mans 24 Hours.

The fact that Martini Racing has chosen to celebrate this important milestone at Rallylegend has encouraged the organisers to create an important space for this, as it deserves. With initiatives at the Rallylegend Arena, shows and exhibitions.

LEGENDARY MOMENTS WITH "TONY", "VUDA" AND TOGNANA

One of the new features of Rallylegend 2018, "Legendary moments" will see driver "cameos" slotted into the programme. Champions who have contributed to the history of rallying will return to entertain the public, in special stages on both Saturday and Sunday, driving the cars that helped them to achieve their memorable feats. These unforgettable faces are sure to put on a real "slide-show". This year's stars will include "**Tony**" **Fassina** (1976, 1979, 1981 Italian rally champion and 1982 European champion) with the Lancia Stratos with which he shocked the world in 1979, winning the Sanremo world rally as a privateer driver, **Adartico Vudafieri**, "Vuda" to his fans, (1978, 1980, 1984 Italian rally champion, 1981 European champion) who will be reacquainted with his Fiat 131 Abarth and **Tonino Tognana** (1982 Italian rally champion), who will be back at the wheel of the Ferrari 308 GTB.

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