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Bosch stays as Pneumobile Competition sponsor

Driving on air in Eger

Eger – Last weekend, the ninth annual international competition for air-driven cars took place in Érsekkert in Eger. Entering the fray were 47 teams from 26 universities in 6 countries, including Hungary. The Bosch Rexroth companies launched the competition in 2007 in what was then a national event. Over the years since then, the Pneumobile Competition has now grown into a prestigious European contest and the number of teams has tripled. Bosch Rexroth Kft. has continued to provide technical support and high-tech parts for building the Pneumobile vehicles and Robert Bosch Kft. is the diamond sponsor of the 2016 competition in Eger.

Javier González Pareja, representative of the Bosch Group in Hungary, said in his welcoming address that he was proud of the commitment and technical experience behind Bosch's launching of the event nine years ago. "This is what laid the foundations for its success, and the technical support and sponsorship provided by Bosch and Rexroth remains the guarantee of progress. I think this year's competition is another fine example of that."

The compressed-air driven cars once again had to go through three competition sections: distance, manoeuvrability and acceleration. The expert panel of judges also evaluated which team of engineering students had come up with the most original vehicle construction and project concept.

In what was definitely the most exciting and spectacular category, the pneumatic driven cars had to accelerate to cover a 220 meter track in the shortest time possible on one air cylinder. In the final round, the pneumobile built by the De-PuffAIR team from the University of Debrecen was the quickest, covering the distance in 21.8 seconds.

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Basic information:

Bosch has been present in Hungary since 1899. After its re-establishment as a regional trading company in 1991, Bosch has grown into one of Hungary's largest foreign industrial employers. In financial 2014, its 9 Hungarian subsidiaries had a total turnover of HUF 825 billion and sales of the Bosch Group on the Hungarian market – not counting trade among its own companies – was HUF 183 billion. The Bosch Group in Hungary employs more than 12,000 people (as per January 1, 2016). In addition to its manufacturing, commercial and development business, Bosch has a network of sales and service operations that covers the entire country.

The Bosch Group is a leading global supplier of technology and services. It employs roughly 375,000 associates worldwide (as of December 31, 2015). The company generated sales of 70.6 billion euros in 2015. Its operations are divided into four business sectors: Mobility Solutions, Industrial Technology, Consumer Goods, and Energy and Building Technology. The Bosch Group comprises Robert Bosch GmbH and its roughly 440 subsidiaries and regional companies in some 60 countries. Including sales and service partners, Bosch's global manufacturing and sales network covers some 150 countries. The basis for the company's future growth is its innovative strength. Bosch employs 55,800 associates in research and development at roughly 118 locations across the globe. The Bosch Group's strategic objective is to deliver innovations for a connected life. Bosch improves quality of life worldwide with products and services that are innovative and spark enthusiasm. In short, Bosch creates technology that is "Invented for life."

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