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Sport of the Future

Allianz and the Drone Racing League announce global multi-year partnership

- Allianz becomes title sponsor of DRL races, the “Allianz World Championship” series
- Races to be aired on premier broadcast channels in over 75 countries

LONDON, MUNICH, NEW YORK (February 8, 2017) – Today, Allianz and the Drone Racing League (DRL) announced a global multi-year partnership. As the title sponsor of DRL’s race circuit, Allianz will leverage its motor racing heritage to bring the “Sport of the Future” to a rapidly growing world-wide audience.

The Allianz World Championship 2017 series will consist of six races to be aired in over 75 countries starting in June. The races will push the skills of 16 top drone pilots who will be flying racing drones at over 150KMH (90MPH) through a series of 3-D racecourses in iconic venues across Miami, New Orleans, Atlanta, Boston, Munich and London.

“This is an incredibly exciting day for The Drone Racing League and a huge leap forward for professional drone racing,” said DRL CEO and Founder, **Nicholas Horbaczewski**. “To DRL, Allianz is bringing world-renowned brand credibility and a proud history of innovative sports partnerships, including an extensive tradition in auto racing, and an undeniable proof point that the sport of the future has arrived. The scale and long-term nature of the deal shows Allianz’s genuine commitment to advancing the sport and will accelerate the introduction of drone racing to audiences around the world.”

“The pursuit of innovation and calculated risk taking are the reasons insurance was invented in the first place. Allianz is proud to be partnering with DRL, a true pioneer of today’s digital driven sports,” said Allianz SE Head of Group Market Management & Distribution **Jean-Marc Pailhol**.

“Drones are already an important part of our business so we’re excited to align with DRL as they harness the latest technological advancements and reimagine what racing in the 21st century looks like.”

The partnership with DRL will allow Allianz to connect with consumers of the fast growing drone industry. Allianz’ aviation insurer, Allianz Global Corporate & Specialty, offers a variety of drone insurance products for private and commercial operators, manufacturers, repairers, flight schools

and training facilities. Drones also play an increasing role for Allianz in regards to property claims assessment and agriculture insurance.

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About the Drone Racing League (DRL)

DRL is the premier drone racing circuit for elite FPV (first person view) pilots around the world. A technology, sports and media company, DRL combines world-class media and proprietary technology to create thrilling drone racing content with mass appeal. In 2017, DRL is hosting a global series of 6 races as the Allianz World Championship to be broadcast on ESPN, Sky Sports, ProSieben MAXX, OSN and other leading broadcast channels around the world. Founded by Nicholas Horbaczewski in 2015, DRL is a privately held company headquartered in NYC. For more information on the 2017 race season, visit www.drl.io. To join the conversation, follow DRL on Facebook at facebook.com/thedroneracingleague, on Twitter @DroneRaceLeague, and on Instagram @thedroneracingleague.

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