**Press release**

**Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 wins braking distance test at Europe's largest summer tyre test conducted by automobile magazine Auto Bild**

**Extensive Auto Bild tests to compare summer tyres identifies 20 finalists based on combined wet and dry braking distance**

**Neu-Isenburg, Germany,** 20th February 2023 – The Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 has taken first place in the first part of the 2023 summer tyre tests carried out by Auto Bild magazine. The trade magazine selected 50 different UHP summer tyre brands with 225/45R18 tyre sizes and speed index Y (up to 300 km/h) so that they could find the best ones for the upcoming summer season. Only the top 20 performers in terms of braking performance on wet and dry roads will be able to look forward to a position on the starting grid for the second round of testing.

Auto Bild believes that the combined wet/dry braking distance is the decisive safety factor when making recommendations about which tyres to purchase. With an excellent dry braking distance at 100 km/h of 33.3 metres, and a wet braking distance at 80 km/h of just 24.8 metres, the Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 came out top compared to all other brands in this category, which is specifically significant when it comes to safety.

In the next round 20 best tyres in the braking discipline will compete against each other in other tests including handling, aquaplaning and mileage. The differences in the Auto Bild brake test are sometimes significant. Compared to the other tyre brands being tested, the Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 comes to a stop within 15.5 metres – or a good three car lengths sooner – on wet roads.

For premium tyre manufacturer Hankook, the results of the Auto Bild brake test are evidence that their expertise and use of high-quality materials, such as those used in the Ventus S1 evo 3, are valuable to consumers. After all, in extreme cases, they help to prevent accidents.

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**About Hankook Tire**

Hankook Tire manufactures globally innovative, award-winning radial tyres of proven superior quality for passenger cars, light trucks, SUVs, RVs, trucks, and buses as well as motorsports (circuit racing/street circuits/rallies).

Aspiring to bring consumers the utmost excellence in product quality, technological excellence and driving satisfaction, Hankook Tire continuously invests in research and development maintaining five R&D centres and eight production facilities around the world. Bespoke tyre solutions for the European markets as well as European Original Equipment according to the requirements of leading premium car manufacturers, are developed in the company’s regional Technical Centre in Hanover/Germany. Production for the European region is taking place in the state-of-the-art manufacturing site in Rácalmás/Hungary which was inaugurated in June 2007 and is continuously being expanded. Currently around 3,000 employees produce up to 19 million tyres a year for passenger cars, SUVs and light trucks.

Hankook Tire’s European headquarters are located in Neu-Isenburg near Frankfurt am Main in Germany. The manufacturer operates further branches in several European countries and sells its products through regional distributors in other local markets. Hankook Tire employs approximately 20,000 people worldwide and sells products in over 160 countries. The company has been selected as the technical partner and exclusive tyre supplier of the Generation 3 for the FIA ABB Formula E World Championship, starting 2023. Internationally leading car manufacturers rely on tyres made by Hankook for their original equipment. Approximately 38 percent of the company's global sales are generated within the European and CIS-Region. Hankook Tire has been represented in the renowned Dow Jones Sustainability Index World (DJSI World) since 2016.

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