**Press release**

**Hankook’s Ventus S1 evo 3 named as original equipment on BMW i4**

* **Starting today, tyre manufacturer Hankook will supply tyres for the BMW i4 – the first fully electric Gran Coupé from Munich-based carmaker BMW – as well as for other vehicles**
* **Hankook’s flagship summer tyre, the Ventus S1 evo 3, will be used on the i4. It comes in all-position and mixed tyres from 18 to 19 inch in both standard and runflat options**

**Neu-Isenburg, Germany, 13 April 2022** – Premium tyre manufacturer Hankook is equipping the BMW i4 Gran Coupé with its ultra-high-performance (UHP) tyres. The tyres come in mixed sizes in 18-inch and 19-inch. In addition, the manufacturer also supplies a 19-inch runflat option and an 18-inch all-position option. Ultra-high-performance (UHP) Ventus S1 evo 3 tyres are used on the BMW i4.

“It is particularly complex to calibrate a tyre for an electric vehicle like the BMW i4,” says Sanghoon Lee, President of Hankook Tire Europe. “We significantly expanded our research in this area a few years ago and this effort is now paying off. By supplying the product for the BMW i4 we are strengthening our presence in the electric sports car sector, which I’m delighted about.”

**The Ventus S1 evo 3 – a great choice for the BMW i4**

The Ventus S1 evo 3 combines a reinforced sidewall with a high-strength bead core, resulting in sporty, dynamic driving performance and precision steering. In addition, the ultra-light rayon carcass and special aramid composite material in the belt area partly reduce unwanted expansion in the rolling circumference, even at very high speeds, which likewise has a positive effect on driving stability and precision steering. The special tread compound made from high-performance natural resins guarantees the necessary grip and excellent traction and braking performance.

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| **Overview of Hankook tyre sizes for the BMW i4** |
| **Dimension(s)** | **Tread** |
| 245/45R18 (VA) | 255/45R18 (HA) | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 |
| 245/40R19 (VA) | 255/40R19 (HA) | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3  |
| 245/40R19 (VA) HRS | 255/40R19 (HA) HRS | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 |
| 245/45R18 (all-position tyre) | Hankook Ventus S1 evo 3 |

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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/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 are selling their products in over 180 countries. Internationally leading car manufacturers rely on tyres made by Hankook for their original equipment. Approximately 34 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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