**Press Release**

**Jamie Chadwick leads W Series at the halfway point on Hankook race tyres**

* **Defending champion from Great Britain has won all five races so far**
* **Second half of the season kicks off at the Hungaroring as a support event to Formula 1**
* **Hankook has been exclusive tyre partner of the women’s Formula series since it was launched in 2019**

**Neu-Isenburg, Germany, 28.07.2022** – The first half of this season’s W Series drew to a close at the weekend with another victory for defending champion Jamie Chadwick. The Brit claimed her fifth win in five races at Circuit Paul Ricard in France to maintain her perfect record and pull 70 points clear of compatriot Abbi Pulling. Beitske Visser of the Netherlands lies third. Premium tyre maker Hankook has been exclusive tyre partner of the world’s leading single-seater racing series for women since it was launched in 2019. W Series consists of 10 events across eight race weekends and features on the support programme for Formula 1.

Jamie Chadwick was made to work hard in France to keep her perfect start intact. The fastest qualifier was relegated two grid positions due to an infringement during qualifying, meaning she started the race from third place. After two spectacular overtaking manoeuvres, the 24-year-old took the lead and went on to celebrate not only her eleventh victory in W Series, but also the top spot in the championship at the halfway point of the season. With five races remaining, Chadwick is already closing in on a hat-trick in W Series, having also won the title on Hankook race tyres in the two previous seasons.

Manfred Sandbichler, Hankook Motorsport Director Europe: “Jamie is a class apart. She is not only fast, but also has extremely strong nerves. Furthermore, she has known the Hankook race tyre from the word go and knows how to take full advantage of the high level of grip provided by the Ventus Race in every race. However, the other drivers are also incredibly fast and are doing a great job of promoting women’s racing on an international stage, on the same bill as the pinnacle of motorsport, Formula 1.”

After round four, the 18 starters are back in action this weekend. They travel to the Hungaroring for the start of the second half of the season, as they line up alongside Formula 1 at the Formula 1 Aramco Magyar Nagydíj 2022. The finale will be a double-header taking place in Mexico City from 28th to 30th October.

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