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BWT Mücke Motorsport set to field two up-and-coming talents, Rodrigo Almeida and Josef Knopp, in ADAC GT4 Germany

- BWT Mücke Motorsport will deploy a brace of Mercedes-AMG GT4s for the 2023 season in the ADAC GT4 Germany under the umbrella of the DTM
- Rodrigo Almeida from Mozambique and Czech driver Josef Knopp will share the cockpit of one of the cars. The second driver pairing will be announced at a later date
- Josef Knopp: "It's great to be back working with BWT Mücke Motorsport. I began my journey in single-seater racing with this team just a few short years ago and am really pleased to be working again with this fantastic outfit."
- Team Principal Peter Mücke: "We are very pleased to announce that for the new season in the ADAC GT4 Germany, we have been able to acquire the services of Rodrigo and Josef, with whom we share a certain amount of common history in the Mücke Motorsport family"

The 2023 motor racing year is stepping up a gear for BWT Mücke Motorsport. The well established Berlin-based outfit will field a Mercedes-AMG GT4 in this season's ADAC GT4 Germany within the context of the DTM. Rodrigo Almeida (18, Mozambique) and Josef Knopp (18, Czech Republic) will share the drive.

This will be Almeida's second consecutive year with BWT Mücke Motorsport: in 2022, he drove a Mercedes-AMG GT4 for the team in the DTM Trophy, posting a maiden victory in the series at Spielberg. His team-mate, 18-year-old Josef Knopp, has already had the benefit of a year in the ADAC GT4 Germany, initially at the wheel of a KTM X-Bow GT4 Evo and then in a Mercedes-AMG GT4 in the finale.

In the season finale of the 2022 DTM Trophy, held again at the Hockenheimring, he was able to gain more experience of the Affalterbach-tuned GT4 car which can produce as much as 476 bhp. The Czech junior switched from karting to single-seater racing in 2020, contesting both the Italian Formula 4 Championship and the Formula 4 UAE with BWT Mücke Motorsport. They are now set to join forces again this season in the ADAC GT4 Germany.

The two drivers posted their first test kilometres of the year at the Autódromo Internacional do Algarve in Portimão (Portugal) just as February was beginning. Their race debut is set to take place in a round of the GT Winter Series at Jerez de la Frontera on the weekend of 11th/12th February. The new ADAC GT4 Germany season will get under way at Oschersleben (26th - 28th May). Five more race weekends will then follow, first at Zandvoort (23rd - 25th June) before moving on to the Nürburgring (4th - 6th August), then the Lausitzring (18th - 20th August), the Sachsenring (8th - 10th September) and then finally to the Hockenheimring (20th - 22nd October).

Josef Knopp: "It's great to be back working with BWT Mücke Motorsport. I began my journey in single-seater racing with this team just a few short years ago and am really pleased to be working again with this fantastic outfit, but this time with a place to call home in the ADAC GT4 Germany. I already

know the team from before and am also familiar with the race series which I made my debut in last year. Also, I was able to gain some experience with the Mercedes-AMG GT4 in last year's season finale. It's a terrific car from a brand with a huge reputation. We've certainly got a thrilling exciting season ahead of us. It's going to be mega exciting and I intend to help the team achieve good results along with my team-mate Rodrigo."

Team Principal Peter Mücke: "We are very pleased to announce that for the new season in the ADAC GT4 Germany, we have been able to acquire the services of Rodrigo and Josef, with whom we share a certain amount of common history in the Mücke Motorsport family. Rodrigo drove last year for us in the DTM Trophy and secured his maiden win in the series at Spielberg. We know Josef from Formula 4 where he raced for us both in Italy and in the United Arab Emirates during 2020. He too has already spent a year contesting the series. They both know the team and how we work from previously. We are very optimistic about this pairing's chances in the upcoming season. They are seasoned drivers and definitely among the favourites to win the 2023 championship."

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