



TCR MAY GO TO DOZEN

TCR promoter Marcello Lotti has confirmed that 12 regional series for the new touring car concept could run alongside the main International championship from next year.

As well as Asia, which starts later this year, China, Thailand, Russia, Italy, the Benelux countries and Germany are all confirmed to host their own TCR series in 2016, while proposals for an Iberian series, France, the Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Malaysia and the US are being considered.

“Day by day we have more people calling us who are interested in organising a series,” said Lotti. “This platform works well for us and also for the manufacturers.”

In brief



OESTREICH IN AUSTRIA

German ex-touring car ace Markus Oestreich made a surprise return to international car racing last weekend in the TCR round at the Salzburgring. Oestreich, a former BMW factory driver who contested the WTCC and won the Spa and Nurburgring 24 Hours, finished 10th in the opener in a Campos Racing Opel Astra OPC. He has been a leading contender in the European Truck Racing Championship over the past two decades.