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2026 Azerbaijan Grand Prix - Preview

Hinwil, 21 September 2026 – Audi Revolut F1 Team is ready to tackle the streets of Baku, as the championship heads overseas for the final part of the season. The Azerbaijan Grand Prix marks the start of an Asian triple-header that will test the team's mental and physical resilience, with Malaysia and Singapore following over the next two weekends. After adding another point to its tally in Madrid, the fifth occasion in the last six races in which the team finished in the top ten, Audi Revolut F1 Team will be aiming to continue its progress in the streets of Baku.

Allan McNish, Racing Director: "Madrid was another encouraging weekend for us, and I was pleased with how the team operated. We maximised our potential, and another point was a good reward for that effort: now we need to keep moving in that direction. Baku is the first of three races in a row, so it will be a busy few weeks for everyone – not least because they are three heavily physical races for both drivers and crews. Our focus will be on doing our job well, continuing to improve and putting ourselves in the best possible position to be in the fight for more points."

Nico Hulkenberg (Car 27): "We've been consistently fighting around the points over the last few weekends, and that's where we want to stay. Baku is one of those circuits where things can change quickly, so if we put everything together and have a clean weekend, there should be opportunities. What we can expect is for the battle around our positions to be quite close, as in the previous rounds, so we will need to execute well."

Gabriel Bortoleto (Car 5): "Madrid wasn't the easiest weekend for me, but we were close to Q3 once again and our pace was quite good, so I'm keen to pick up where we left off. We have been fighting very close to the points recently, and we know our car has the potential to get into the top ten, so the aim is to keep pushing in that direction. We usually see some really interesting racing in Baku, and I'm ready to get back in the car and see what we can do."

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About Audi Revolut F1 Team

Audi Revolut F1 Team is the official factory team of Audi, as the brand enters the FIA Formula 1 World Championship for the first time in 2026. This project, in which Audi will create its own hybrid drive system ('power unit') developed in Germany, represents the ultimate expression of the manufacturer's 'Vorsprung durch Technik' philosophy and embodies a long-term

commitment to compete at the pinnacle of motorsport with the clear objective of challenging for world championships by 2030. Audi Revolut F1 Team is based in three locations: the power unit is developed by Audi Formula Racing GmbH at the Audi Competence Center Motorsport in Neuburg, Germany; the chassis is engineered and race operations are managed from the state-of-the-art facilities of Audi Motorsport AG in Hinwil, Switzerland; while the Audi Motorsport Technology Centre UK in Bicester, United Kingdom, provides a foothold in the heart of 'Motorsport Valley', with direct access to top F1 talent and key strategic partners. This integrated structure provides complete control over the project, embedding a culture of precision, innovation, and relentless performance. Audi's entry is strategically timed to coincide with new Formula 1 regulations focused on increased electrification, as the electric share of the hybrid drive is raised to almost 50%, and the introduction of 100% sustainable fuels. The entry into Formula 1, one of the most important platforms in the world, serves as a high-tech catalyst for the entire Audi brand, acting as a global stage to demonstrate technological leadership and connect with new, diverse audiences by creating cultural impact that resonates far beyond the race track.

