



THE OFFICIAL WRC GAME IS BACK!

Lesquin (France), January 24, 2019 - After a two-year absence, the legendary WRC game is back. **Bigben** and **Kylotonn** are pleased to announce that **WRC 8**, FIA World Rally Championship (WRC) 2019 official video game, will be **available in September for PlayStation®4, Xbox One, Nintendo Switch and PC**.

Thanks to the community's feedback and the pointers from the eSports WRC Championship, Kylotonn has taken advantage of this period to improve all aspects of the game: better graphics, more technical routes, smoother pace notes and a more comprehensive career mode. **WRC 8** will go above and beyond WRC 7, especially in the steering requirements and the realistic physics of the vehicles.

Watch the first **WRC 8** video showcasing the pre-season tests of a Ford Fiesta World Rally Car at Rallye Monte-Carlo and the brand-new Rally Turkey here: <https://youtu.be/WqmSrcF4Ryk>

While the WRC enjoyed an epic season in 2018, with the destiny of the drivers' title only being decided on the final morning of the season in Australia, 2019 is already shaping up as another fascinating year. In **WRC 8**, players will be able to choose their driver from the official teams of the 2019 season marked by the return of **Sébastien Ogier** (6 times World Champion) from **Citroën Racing**, accompanied by **Esapekka Lappi**, while **Toyota** will try to defend its 2018 manufacturers' title with **Jari-Matti Latvala**, **Kris Meeke** and **Ott Tänak**. 2019 is also marked by the return of the nine-time World Champion and WRC legend, **Sébastien Loeb**, driving this year for **Hyundai Motorsport** in support of **Thierry Neuville**, **Andreas Mikkelsen** and **Dani Sordo**. **M-Sport Ford**, will rely on **Elfyn Evans** and **Teemu Suninen** to draw attention again.

WRC 8 will also offer a selection of **WRC 2** and **Junior WRC** drivers as well as a few historic models to be revealed very shortly. Talent and concentration will be needed to overcome more than **100 special stages** taking place in **14 countries**. Upgrade your car to unprecedented new levels of detail and develop your team in an in-depth and intense career mode.

A new **dynamic weather** system has been developed to add random elements to the driving experience, but also to increase realism in the game. Managing the weather is a real challenge for the drivers: modified grip, car settings adjustments, tyre selection optimization, weather team relationship to ensure the best tips and information on the latest conditions. More than mere visual effects, climatic conditions become crucial, especially in the management of your career.

Play as the best drivers in the Championship and experience the competition as if you were there!

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About Kylotonn

Created in 2006, Kylotonn is one the most important French video game development studios, also known under KT Racing label. Specialized in motorsports and official developer of the WRC FIA World Rally Championship series and Isle of Man Tourist Trophy, the company is internationally recognized for its know-how and for the passion of its teams. With more than 100 employees as of today in Paris and Lyon, Kylotonn has developed more than 25 titles distributed by major publishers. Kylotonn has forged itself a strong technological expertise thanks to the real-time 3D engine KT Engine that the company owns. At the forefront of the video game industry, this technology is also used within R&D partnerships on autonomous vehicle projects in the automotive industry. Since 2018, Bigben Interactive, one of Europe's leading video game publishers, holds a 100% stake in the company. Kylotonn is member of the French National Developers Federation (Syndicat National du Jeu Vidéo) and Capital Games. The company is supported by BPI, IFCIC and the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

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About WRC Promoter GmbH

WRC Promoter GmbH is responsible for all commercial aspects of the FIA World Rally Championship, including TV production and the marketing of global media and sponsorship rights. The Promoter also has responsibility to increase the field of participants and to propose the venues that form the FIA WRC calendar.

The World Rally Championship is the FIA's premium rally series. WRC showcases authentic motorsport, high performance cars and the world's best drivers competing in dramatic surroundings ranging from the ice and snow of Scandinavia to the blistering heat of Mexico. Established in its current format in 1973, WRC participants battle for the drivers' and manufacturers' world titles at 14 rallies spanning 16 countries and five continents. Additional championship information can be found at www.wrc.com and www.wrcplus.com.