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FUSTER SETS THE BEST TIME ON THE GIJÓN SPECIAL STAGE

Miguel Fuster has set the fastest time on the Gijón special stage, the first of the second day of the Rally Príncipe de Asturias, 2012, with a time of 8:29.2. Alberto Hevia, who dominated the stages on the first day, took the second best time 1.9 seconds behind. Next was Xevi Pons, a further 4.7 seconds down.

The fastest in the European Rally classification on the Gijón stage was Gorka Antxustegi, with a time of 8:48.2; followed of Joan Vinyes 4.1 seconds behind and Antonin Tlustak with a further 4.3 second gap.

The Gijón special stage, which will be run three times, is the shortest on the Rally Príncipe de Asturias, with a length of 14.62 kilometres. Car Zero confirmed at the beginning of the stage the good condition of the road with excellent visibility on the stage and that the public were correctly positioned.

Driver Joan Carchat, in a Porsche 997 GT3, did not take the start of the stage this morning.

Driver Comments:

Alberto Hevia: "I altered the settings and I noticed the change."

Joan Vinyes: "This section has been quite good to begin with... I tried not to run too many risks and not make any errors".

Gorka Antxustegi: "Very happy. It surprised me that it was sliding so much."

Surhayen Pernía: "I have enjoyed this section, I like it a lot. In addition the spectators couldn't have supported us anymore."

Francesco Parli: "It is a hard and difficult section. It has been impossible to run any faster."

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