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Formula One update on 2021 calendar

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Formula 1 can today confirm that the 2021 FIA Formula One World Championship will open its season in Bahrain between 26th-28th March. The ongoing situation regarding COVID-19 has meant it is not feasible to begin the season in Melbourne, but the good news is that the Australian Grand Prix will now take place from the 18th – 21st November following an agreement between Formula 1 and the Australian authorities that shows the importance of the race in Australia to Formula 1 and our partners in Melbourne.

Due to the ongoing travel restrictions in place the 2021 Chinese Grand Prix will not take place on its planned date. Discussions with the promoter and authorities in China are ongoing with the potential to reschedule the race later in the season if possible. With the scheduled date not being feasible for China, Imola will return to the Formula 1 calendar on the revised date of 18th April. The TBC race in the calendar will be announced in due course and will take place on the new date of 2nd May. All revisions are subject to World Motor Sport Council approval.

As a result of these changes the number of races for 2021 will remain at 23 which is the largest ever Formula 1 calendar and we look forward to delivering this season through close collaboration with all our promoters. The season will start a week later than planned and end a week later with our season finale in Abu Dhabi. As stated previously, we expect fans to return to the grandstands and our exclusive Paddock Club for the 2021 season. We will continue to work closely with our promoters and partners to monitor the ongoing COVID-19 situation and look forward to the start of the season in March.

The revised 2021 FIA Formula 1 World Championship is as follows:

Date	Grand Prix	Venue
28 March	Bahrain	Sakhir
18 April	Italy	Imola*

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2 May	TBC	TBC
9 May	Spain	Barcelona
23 May	Monaco	Monaco
6 June	Azerbaijan	Baku
13 June	Canada	Montreal
27 June	France	Le Castellet
4 July	Austria	Spielberg
18 July	United Kingdom	Silverstone
1 August	Hungary	Budapest
29 August	Belgium	Spa
5 September	Netherlands	Zandvoort
12 September	Italy	Monza
26 September	Russia	Sochi
3 October	Singapore	Singapore
10 October	Japan	Suzuka
24 October	USA	Austin
31 October	Mexico	Mexico City
7 November	Brazil	Sao Paulo
21 November	Australia	Melbourne*
5 December	Saudi Arabia	Jeddah**
12 December	Abu Dhabi	Abu Dhabi

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**Subject to circuit homologation

Stefano Domenicalli, CEO of Formula 1, said:

“It has been a busy start to the year at Formula 1 and we are pleased to confirm that the number of races planned for the season remains unchanged. The global pandemic has not yet allowed life to return to normal, but we showed in 2020 that we can race safely as the first international sport to return and we have the experience and plans in place to deliver on our season. It is great news that we have already been

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able to agree a rescheduled date for the Australian Grand Prix in November and are continuing to work with our Chinese colleagues to find a solution to race there in 2021 if something changes. We are very excited to announce that Imola will return for the 2021 season and know our fans will be looking forward to the return of Formula 1 after the winter break and our revised season opener in Bahrain. Obviously, the virus situation remains fluid, but we have the experience from last season with all our partners and promoters to adapt accordingly and safely in 2021.”

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