

## 2015 SUBARU Motorsport Activities

Tokyo, January 9, 2015 – Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd. (FHI) - the maker of Subaru automobiles and Subaru Tecnica International Inc. (STI)\* unveiled the new racing car developed from the WRX STI for 24 Hours Nürburgring endurance race in 2015 and announced an outline of Subaru Motorsport activities for 2015 at the Tokyo Auto Salon 2015 with NAPAC (Japan Car Parts and Aftermarket Promotion Association).

\*: Subaru Tecnica International Inc. (STI; President Yoshio Hirakawa; located in Mitaka, Tokyo)

### Nürburgring 24-Hour Race

STI will participate in the Nürburgring 24-Hour Race (from 14 to 17 May in Germany) for eight consecutive years, with a vehicle whose performance has been enhanced from its base car – the Subaru WRX STI.

The race car's performance such as aerodynamics, stability, body rigidity and engine output have been enhanced compared to the previous model. In addition, visibility for racing flags has also been improved by introducing a left-hand drive car.

Like last year, Hideharu Tatsumi will take the helm of team operations as team manager, in addition to the development of the car. The drivers are Sasaki (Japan), Lasée (Germany), van Dam (Netherlands) and Tim Schrick (Germany), the winner of 2014 VLN endurance racing championship who newly joins the team.

### SUPER GT Series

Subaru, with the "SUBARU BRZ GT300" race car, will participate in the SUPER GT series this year as well, widely regarded as Japan's top motorsports category. The race car employs the same front-engine, rear-wheel-drive layout as the production BRZ model.

The team manager will be Hideharu Tatsumi, the team will be operated in conjunction with "R&D SPORT" led by Director Shinji Motojima, and Takuto Iguchi and newly joined Hideki Yamauchi will be driving for the team. In addition, Dunlop tires which have been used in the Nürburgring 24-Hour Race will be employed for the "SUBARU BRZ GT300" race car.



SUBARU WRX STI NBR Challenge 2015



SUBARU BRZ GT300 2015