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Dear competitors,

Balkan Offroad Rallye will be starting on the coming Sunday in the historical city of Sighisoara, Romania. We are just finishing the last road book verifications and here are some very useful and important advices for your last preparation, considering the weather and the characteristics of the local terrain:

For Cross Country

- The soil in the first 3 rally days is VERY wet. The area is hilly and there are short but steep up and down drives. Also the agricultural roads along the fields will have ruts, pots and mud. For your safety but also for your performance I strongly recommend to drive traction aggressive tires like "mud terrain" or even "block" tires.
- Due to the beautiful but very hilly terrain and the big number of roads, the navigation must be extremely accurate. There are many low visible, grassy roads and the CAP heading is used very often to assist you with the right direction. Make sure that you have a reliable device to show you the CAP.
- The event is driving on open roads and is covering a big territory. There will be many times a day situations when the route is passing through villages or is using tarmac and gravel public roads with traffic. These sections will be driven with speed limits. Nevertheless, you must pay the highest attention about people and civil property. Even in the very remote villages there are children. Be extremely careful and respectful!

For Extreme

- The terrain in Romania is offering endless possibilities for extreme off-roading. We have selected sections that are difficult but definitely doable. The navigation is very fine and you have to pay a lot of attention to the details. For help we have made the coordinates of some points in the road book visible.
- Some of the stages are shorter in distance but have yet a high factor of difficulty. If it rains or if its very wet, the terrain of the first two days will be VERY slippery. The last two days are grippy even in heavy rain.
- The qualifying stage of Extreme starts on the same place as the one of Cross Country but then it diverts and offers an enjoyable part as a nice extreme appetizer.
- Extreme will be driving a completely different track than the cross country throughout the rally. Only day 3 is the same for both categories. This is the day when we'll be moving the bivouac 2 and the route is very beautiful and enjoyable.

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Dear competitors, Balkan Offroad Rallye is an event that in nature is not comparable to Fenix in the Sahara or Breslau on the sandy ground of the polygons. The terrain is absolutely different, so is the navigation and so is the difficulty of managing the permanently changing elements on the route. The rally will pass through fields, hills, valleys and also some very high mountains. Special caution is required, especially from those who haven't driven off-road in the mountains.

Take it easier, drive precisely with less aggression so you don't brake the vehicle. The average speed will be lower than on the other two RBI events but the factor of difficulty and the satisfaction will be the same. It's just a different great terrain and we are proud to be the only organizer who can offer a variety of three rally that are fantastic but so different from each other.

Take care about your safety and the safety of all others on the road! Respect the local laws and take extreme care of people and property on the route! Don't cause damage to Mother Nature – you'll be amazed what she had created in Romania. It's indescribable, you must see it with your own eyes and feel it with your hearts.

Have an enjoyable and safe rally!

Yours

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alexander Kovatchev". The signature is stylized and cursive.

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