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## WEATHER TODAY

Hi: 11° C Lo: 9° C

Cloudy, possibility of slight rain

Wind E 8 m/s



## It's party time!



So far the test has been successful. The weather has been favourable - actually better than I expected. The photo session on the beach and the tests at the Sindal airport were carried out in good conditions. And today we again have another day for testing and photographing.

You can see that there are a lot of reasons to have a good party, and as you know, this is also going to happen. The highlight of the whole

week, *the Dinner of the Year*, will be served in the hotel's ballroom tonight at 8.00 p.m. There will be about 140 people present. Before the dinner we will have cocktails in the bar area. The party is rather big but the dress code is traditional "ties allowed". However, if you can't meet this code, feel free and come as you wish. The point is that you come.

But do not forget the interview session of the day. As yesterday, it is organized in the restaurant hall next to the reception. This time nine manufacturers bring their experts for discussions. The session starts at 4.00 p.m. I strongly encourage all the jury members and their journalist colleagues to find time for the occasion.

Have a good testing day and nice evening!

*Martti Merilinna*

## Today's program:

07.00 – 09.00 Breakfast  
 08.00 – 12.30 Free testing  
 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch  
 13.30 – 16.00 Free testing  
 16.00 – 18.00 Interview 2  
 19.30 - Cocktails  
 20.00 – The Dinner of the Year

menu:

Starter: Tapas

Main course: Braised loin of veal

Dessert: Pineapple carpaccio with Kahlua and vanilla ice cream

## Note!

Today the key room will be closed at 4 p.m. because of the dinner.



*Tests at the Sindal Airport were carried out successfully. In the elk test some of the largest cars behaved surprisingly well which was perhaps the most interesting finding. The autobraking tests showed from their part that most probably this technology will be standard in all new cars in the near future.*





## Jurors in Tannis

**Every year jurors from all over Europe come to the Tannistest, but what do You know about them?**

**Last year in the *Tannistest Today* You met the six Nordic jurors. This year You will get to know six of the jurors from some other countries, today the Slovenian juror Sebastjan Plevnjak.**

### SEBASTJAN PLEVNJAK

**Born:** May 24, 1973 in Ljubljana, capital city of Slovenia.

**Lives:** Ljubljana.

**Family:** In relationship, no children.

**Working for:** Avto magazine, car magazine with 24 issues per year and Plugin magazine, a lifestyle magazine with cars, boats, new technologies and fashion with 4 issues per year.

**Journalist life:** Started in 1998 at Avto foto market, from 2012 at Avto magazin, from 2014 at national television, from 2015 at Plugin magazine.

**Motoring journalist since:** 1998.

**Private car:** Audi A4 2012 and a BMW C 650 GT motorcycle.

**Best car driven:** I hope not yet. In the passenger seat it is in a Porsche 918 Spyder, from 0 till 100 in 2,5 seconds. That was really fast!

**Worst car driven:** My first test car, a Suzuki R Wagon seventeen years ago.

**Years in Tannis:** Nine, first time in Tannis together with Tomaz Porekar in 2004, then as juror since last year.

**Best of Tannis:** The possibility to drive and compare candidates at the same time, under the same conditions, at the same place. That is unique. And take photos and talk about all cars in one week with colleagues and experts from the manufacturers.

**Coming back next year?:** Of course!

**Importance of Coty:** Definitely the most prestigious award in the automotive industry.

**Your car of the Year 2016:** Too early to say, but there are some candidates which will be for sure on the final list, as Opel Astra, Audi A4, Mazda MX-5 and some SUV, because there are many interesting SUV's this year.

**My favourite for Car of the Year 2016:** Again, too early.

### What a fantastic job!

The enormous test of 30 cars at Sindal Airport yesterday required nothing less than 240 separate adjustments and controls of the tyre pressure in a total of 30 test cars.

First they should be adjusted for the high load, and secondly adjusted back to normal condition. This operation was very professionally done (again!) by Paul Larsen, Toyota DK, in cooperation with many helpers and the safety car from the Volvo team. Big thanks to all of you - it was a great effort!!



*Paul Larsen of Toyota with the Volvo safety car.*