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Uniper becomes title sponsor of the Düsseldorf Marathon from 2025

The marathon in Düsseldorf is back. On April 27, 2025, thousands of runners will once again take to the streets of the state capital. The title sponsor is the international energy company Uniper, based in Düsseldorf and active in more than 40 countries. With around 7,000 employees, the company makes an important contribution to security of supply in Europe. Unlike in the years before the coronavirus pandemic, D.LIVE and D.SPORTS are taking over the complete organization and implementation of the marathon. Uniper will be the namesake of the marathon for at least three years.

Registration for the Uniper Düsseldorf Marathon is now open via the homepage www.duesseldorfmarathon.de. The route remains unchanged compared to previous events. In keeping with the event's new motto "Run to the beat", several DJs will be playing electronic music on the streets to create a great atmosphere for athletes and spectators alike, thus combining sport and culture.

"The return of the marathon to the city's event calendar is great news that will inspire many runners. The D.SPORTS team will certainly ensure a spectacular and atmospheric event on 27 April 2025, which will be absolutely worthy of the event after a six-year break and will give everyone involved an unforgettable day," **says Dr. Stephan Keller, Lord Mayor of the state capital Düsseldorf.**

"I am convinced that the Uniper Düsseldorf Marathon will set new standards with its new concept and fresh ideas. Even in the past, the special thing about this event was that it brought together athletes from many nations and different performance classes. This will be the case again in 2025. And although there is still a little more than a year to go until the day of the event, I can already feel the anticipation for April 27, 2025," **says Düsseldorf's city director Burkhard Hintzsche.**

"As a global company with firm roots in Düsseldorf, we want to express our solidarity with the city as the title sponsor of the Uniper Düsseldorf Marathon. Personally, I am also delighted that the marathon is back. This will enrich the city with a sporting and social highlight. We also welcome the City of Düsseldorf's decision to take the organization and staging of the Düsseldorf Marathon into its own hands," **says Michael Lewis, CEO Uniper.**

Further details about the Düsseldorf Marathon 2025 will be announced in the coming weeks and months.

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About D.LIVE GmbH & Co. KG

D.LIVE is the central point of contact for national and international sporting events in the state capital. Under the D.SPORTS brand, the company positions itself as a top international location for sport.

D.SPORTS is a partner of many of Düsseldorf's top clubs and is particularly committed to promoting athletes. D.SPORTS also organizes major sporting events with a focus on top-level and competitive sports. The portfolio includes not only top events in the large multifunctional halls, but also sporting events throughout the city. In addition, D.SPORTS has a large sports business and partner network and is responsible for everything to do with top-class sport in Düsseldorf.

About Uniper

Uniper is an international energy company headquartered in Düsseldorf with operations in more than 40 countries. With around 7,000 employees, the company is making an important contribution to security of supply in Europe, especially in its core markets of Germany, the UK, Sweden and the Netherlands.

Uniper's activities include power generation in Europe, global energy trading, and a wide-ranging gas portfolio. Uniper procures gas – also as liquefied natural gas (LNG) – and other energy sources on the world markets. The company manages gas storage facilities with a capacity of more than 7 billion cubic meters.

Uniper aims to be completely CO₂ neutral by 2040. By 2030, Uniper aims to use more than 80 percent of its installed power plant capacity for CO₂-free electricity production. To achieve this, the company is transforming its own power plants and facilities and investing in flexible and predictable power generation plants. Already today, the company is one of the largest operators of hydropower plants in Europe and is promoting the further expansion of solar and wind energy as the key to a more sustainable and secure future. Green gases such as hydrogen and biomethane are gradually being added to the gas portfolio with the purpose of long-term conversion.

Uniper is a reliable partner for municipalities, municipal utilities and industrial companies in the planning and implementation of innovative, CO₂-reducing solutions, constantly working on decarbonizing their activities. As a hydrogen pioneer, Uniper is globally active along the entire value chain, realizing projects to utilize hydrogen as a mainstay when it comes to energy supply.

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