



## **Podium for Elisabete Jacinto in MAN TGS**

### **Africa Race 2013**

Team MAN Portugal / Oleoban completed on the 9<sup>th</sup> of January its participation in another edition of the Sonangol Africa Eco Race, finishing in 3<sup>rd</sup> ensuring a place in the podium on the category of trucks and 7<sup>th</sup> position in the car-truck classification.

Robust and very fast on the track, the MAN TGS of Elisabete Jacinto was 1<sup>st</sup> in its category in one of the Moroccan stages. The Portuguese pilot also won the eighth special of this mythical rally in Mauritania, where despite the difficulties caused by the soft sand, the MAN TGS prevailed against its most direct opponents, like the Russian team Kamaz and the Tatra driven by czech Tomas Tomecek, winner of the two previous editions of the race.

The Portuguese team composed by Elisabete Jacinto, Jose Marques and Marco Cochinho also achieved, apart from victory among trucks were 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall in the 8<sup>th</sup> stage. On this day, the MAN TGS was just behind the buggy driven by Jean Louis Schlessler, the winner of the car competition. Apart from the two victories in stages the team also reached four times second place in a total of ten stages.

The race lasted eleven days and the most beautiful sets of Morocco, Mauritania and Senegal, were crossed. The powerful and reliable MAN TGS faced the prototypes of its opponents in a very exciting fight, after which the Portuguese team is to be congratulated for achieving a podium place among trucks category.

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