**FIA ETCC Finale in Pergusa crowns Borković, Matĕjovský, Kajaia and Mackshin**

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The Italian race track at Pergusa in Sicily, was the dramatic scene setter and decider for the FIA European Touring Car Championship – ETCC, which has Japanese Tyre manufacturer YOKOHAMA as the Official Tyre supplier.

A very happy and relieved Dušan Borković managed the essential points needed in the Championship to win\* the Single Make trophy just 3 points ahead of Petr Fulín, who really did his utmost to try to overcome the narrow margin separating both drivers. Fulín scored 2 victories in Pergusa which brought about a sweet bitter taste in the end, as the Championship was out of his reach. Borković however also had to fight to the end, following a spectacular crash in Race 1, which meant frantic action in the boxes to get the car patched up to compete in the second race.

A great comeback in the second part of the season also meant the German driver Andreas Pfister clinched a meritorious 3rd place in the Single Make trophy overall table, just a point ahead from Mato Homola who also performed admirably well throughout the season.

Michal Matĕjovský also became provisional TC2 champion by finishing second to Peter Rikli in the opening 11-lap counter and also achieving second place in race 2, showing regularity and reliability as key elements of his campaign this season.

In the TC2T category, Davit Kajaia became the first driver from Georgia to win an FIA international Championship with his ninth victory of his European Touring Car Cup campaign. This was enough to ensure victory in the category in his first attempt. After the race he explained about his dreams when he was young and used to drive on the computer, simulating top motorsports racing. “I used to race in a computer in exactly the same BMW I am driving in the ETCC,” said Kajaia. “But I never could imagine I would stand here today as champion.” He stated.

Niklas Mackschin celebrated his provisional Super 1600 title in style by beating outgoing champion Gilles Bruckner in a close finish in Race 2. In the earlier race, Bruckner had the better off Mackschin, although the large points gap in the overall table, meant he had to settle for second overall. In the category, Ulrike Krafft managed a good third place in the final standings.\*

Commenting on the FIA ETCC season David Oliva, Communications Manager for YOKOHAMA Europe, expressed satisfaction with the high level performance at all the races and congratulated the new Champions. “Throughout the season, all competitors in this FIA Championship have shown perseverance and determination and teamwork, these are key elements to enjoy success. Many heartfelt congratulations to the winners and best of luck for the future” he concluded.

\*All results are awaiting official confirmation by FIA