## LANCE STROLL ON POLE POSITION FOR RACE 2 AND 3

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Sérgio Sette Câmara (Motopark) posted the fastest lap time in second qualifying of the FIA Formula 3 European Championship at the 4.909 kilometres long Autodromo Enzo e Dino Ferrari. The Brazilian, who ended up ahead of Lance Stroll (Prema Powerteam), Joel Eriksson (Motopark) and George Russell (HitechGP) only moved up into first place at the last moment. In the ranking of the second-fastest laps, Lance Stroll, the leader in the FIA Formula 3 European Championship drivers' standings, turned out to be unbeatable. He was classified ahead of Callum llott (Van Amersfoort Racing), George Russell and Sérgio Sette Câmara.

## STARTING GRID RACE TWO

In sunny conditions, the young FIA Formula 3 European Championship drivers staged a qualifying that remained thrilling until the very end. Initially, Lance Stroll (1m36.192s) looked set to claim pole position for the 26<sup>th</sup> race of the season, but then, the Motopark driver Sérgio Sette Câmara (1m36.138s) still toppled the Canadian on his final laps, demoting him to second place. However, in spite of his fastest time in qualifying, the Brazilian Red Bull junior driver will not be allowed to start from pole position as he will be dropped ten places, per the regulations, following an earlier engine change. As a result, Lance Stroll inherits the best starting grid position for the second race at Imola.

Behind Sette Câmara and Stroll, Joel Eriksson (1m36.356), George Russell (1m36.452s), Callum llott (1m36.526s), Harrison Newey (Van Amersfoort Racing, 1m36.730), Ralf Aron (Prema Powerteam, 1m36.767s), Ben Barnicoat (HitechGP, 1m36.843s), Anthoine Hubert (Van Amersfoort Racing, 1m36.848s) and Pedro Piquet (Van Amersfoort Racing, 1m36.950) were third to tenth fastest. In total, the lap times of the first 14 drivers were within one second.

## STARTING GRID RACE THREE

In the ranking of the second-fastest lap times, Canadian Lance Stroll (1m36.448s) came out on top. He was 0.141 seconds faster than second-placed Callum llott (1m36.589s). Behind George Russell (1m36.591s), Sérgio Sette Câmara (1m36.702s), Joel Eriksson (1m36.737s), Ralf Aron (1m36.823s), Ben Barnicoat (1m36.913s), Anthoine Hubert (1m36.915s), Mikkel Jensen (kfzteile24 Mücke Motorsport, 1m37.064s) and Pedro Piquet (1m37.073s) rounded out the top ten.

Due to Maximilian Günther's (Prema Powerteam) car not complying with the technical regulations, when checked by scrutineering after the session, he has been excluded from the result of the second qualifying session. Günther, who is currently second in the drivers' championship ranking will have to start from the back of the grid in race 2 and race 3.