

MOTOPARK UNBEATABLE IN FREE PRACTICE

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With temperatures only just above 10 degrees, the young drivers from the FIA Formula 3 European Championship got the third race weekend of their season underway at the 2.3 kilometres long Norisring in Nuremberg. In free practice, Daniel Ticktum (Motopark, 0m48.114s) posted the fastest lap time. He ended up ahead of Jüri Vips (Motopark, 0m48.116s), Fabio Scherer (Motopark, 0m48.248s) and Jehan Daruvala (Carlin, 0m48.281s).

Daniel Ticktum seems to be doing well at street circuits, the Brit already having claimed pole position for the first race during the season opener at Pau. And on his first-ever visit at the Norisring, he also shone right away with the fastest time in free practice. Only two hundredths of a second down on the Red Bull junior driver, Estonian Jüri Vips was the best-placed rookie driver in second place. His fellow rookie Fabio Scherer from Switzerland rounded out the Motopark team success as the outfit locked out the first three places.

Next up was Jehan Daruvala in fourth place, a driver who already managed to win a race at the Norisring last year. The Indian, who is backed by the Force India Formula 1 team, outpaced points' leader Enaam Ahmed (Hitech Bullfrog GP, 0m48.830s), who ended up fifth. Robert Shvartzman (PREMA Theodore Racing, 0m48.296s), Marino Sato (Motopark, 0m48.377s), Sacha Fenestraz (Carlin, 0m48.391s), Ralf Aron (PREMA Theodore Racing, 0m48.414s) rounded out the top ten.

At 17.20 hrs, action continues for the teams and drivers from the FIA Formula 3 European Championship with the weekend's first qualifying.