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Shwartzman secures first Barcelona win

Late penalty hands PREMA driver first ever F3 victory

Robert Shwartzman secured an unconventional first ever FIA Formula 3 race win, after on-track winner Christian Lundgaard was demoted to second place at the chequered flag with a five second time penalty. The PREMA Racing man had been led by his ART Grand Prix competitor for the bulk of the race, but an incident during a virtual safety car period served a crushing blow to the Renault junior as he climbed out of his car in the *Parc fermé*. The duo finished ahead of fellow PREMA driver Marcus Armstrong.

The scene was set for the maiden FIA F3 race on a cool and dry morning in Spain, at the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya. Things weren't as cool on the circuit, as the top ten was served a shakeup at the race start.

Shwartzman held his nerve when the lights went out to remain in P1, while Armstrong made a move on the front two down the long first straight that he was unable to make stick. With Shwartzman's attention switched to his PREMA teammate, Lundgaard took advantage of his diverted concentration to sear around the Ferrari junior on the second corner for the race lead.

PREMA lost further places at the start as Jehan Daruvala was plunged down to seventh thanks to a blistering start by ART duo David Beckmann and Max Fewtrell. Further up-field, their teammate set about extending his lead and succeeded with the fastest lap so far.

Simo Laaksonen and Logan Sargeant also succumbed to the top 10 shake-up and the duo were left squabbling between themselves for eighth place. Behind them, Niko Kari and Yuki Tsunoda were jockeying for 10th.

Lundgaard managed to squeeze further pace from his ART machine and stretch his lead to 2.786s, when Alessio Deledda spun his car and meandered into the gravel, coming to a halt. This brought out a virtual safety car.

The Renault junior couldn't be conquered when racing restarted with two laps to go and he cruised to first place in Barcelona – or so he thought. Lundgaard suffered heartbreak as his celebrations were cut short in the *Parc fermé* when the officials swapped his first place hoarding, with the sign for second place. He was quickly informed of a five-second penalty for VSC infringement, handing the Russian racer in second the win.

Behind them, Armstrong retained third, while Beckmann and Fewtrell rose to fourth and fifth to secure an all PREMA/ART front five. They were followed by Jüri Vips, Daruvala, Kari, Laaksonen and Tsunoda.

Trident's Niko Kari will start on reverse grid pole when the drivers return to the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya tomorrow at 10.15am local time.

2019 FIA Formula 3 Round 1 – Race 1 classification

| DRIVER | TEAM |
|------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1 Robert Shwartzman | PREMA Racing |
| 2 Christian Lundgaard | ART Grand Prix |
| 3 Marcus Armstrong | PREMA Racing |
| 4 David Beckmann | ART Grand Prix |
| 5 Max Fewtrell | ART Grand Prix |
| 6 Juri Vips | Hitech Grand Prix |
| 7 Jehan Daruvala | PREMA Racing |
| 8 Niko Kari | Trident |
| 9 Simo Laaksonen | MP Motorsport |
| 10 Yuki Tsunoda | Jenzer Motorsport |
| 11 Felipe Drugovich | Carlin Buzz Racing |
| 12 Bent Viscaal | HWA RACELAB |
| 13 Lirim Zendeli | Sauber Junior Team by Charouz |
| 14 Alex Peroni | Campos Racing |
| 15 Logan Sargeant | Carlin Buzz Racing |
| 16 Sebastian Fernandez | Campos Racing |
| 17 Jake Hughes | HWA RACELAB |
| 18 Artem Petrov | Jenzer Motorsport |
| 19 Leonardo Pulcini | Hitech Grand Prix |

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| 20 | Raoul Hyman | Sauber Junior Team by Charouz |
| 21 | Ye Yifei | Hitech Grand Prix |
| 22 | Devlin DeFrancesco | Trident |
| 23 | Tepppei Natori | Carlin Buzz Racing |
| 24 | Andreas Estner | Jenzer Motorsport |
| 25 | Pedro Piquet | Trident |
| 26 | Richard Verschoor | MP Motorsport |
| 27 | Fabio Scherer | Sauber Junior Team by Charouz |
| 28 | Keyvan Andres | HWA RACELAB |

NOT CLASSIFIED

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| Liam Lawson | MP Motorport |
| Alessio Deledda | Campos Racing |

OVERALL FASTEST LAP

Christian Lundgaard (ART Grand Prix) - 1:35.209 on Lap 22

FASTEST LAP ELIGIBLE FOR POINTS

Christian Lundgaard (ART Grand Prix)



Robert Shwartzman
(PREMA Racing)



Christian Lundgaard
(ART Grand Prix),
Robert Shwartzman,
Marcus Armstrong
(PREMA Racing)



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ANDRES GIVEN 20 SECOND TIME PENALTY

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HWA RACELAB DRIVER SEES DRIVE THROUGH PENALTY CONVERTED AFTER RACE 1

Keyvan Andres was given a drive through penalty after this morning's F3 Race 1 in Barcelona, which has since been converted into a 20 second time penalty, following contact between the HWA RACELAB driver and Fabio Scherer of Sauber Junior Team by Charouz during the reconnaissance lap.

The incident took place between Turn 9 and Turn 10 and is a breach Appendix L Chapter IV, Article 2 (d) of the 2019 FIA International Sporting Code.

Andres, who originally finished P28 with a time 38:49.724, was found to be at fault after extensive consideration by the Stewards, and the penalty sees the Iranian remain P28 but with a time of 39:09.724.

This final classification will see the HWA RACELAB driver start from the back of the grid for tomorrow's Race 2 at the Circuit de Barcelona-Catalunya.