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**Events** 

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Leclerc, Petecof, Vips and Chovet leave the rest of the group behind and battle to the end of the race

Arthur Leclerc (Prema Powerteam) sprints well from pole and takes the lead gaining fast almost 2 seconds on Juri Vips (KIC Motorsport), who holds the second position for a long time, defending it from a fast and tenacious Gianluca Petecof (Prema Powerteam), followed by home driver (lives a few km from the circuit), Pierre-Louis Chovet (Van Amersfoort Racing).

Around 25' to the end Leclerc makes a mistake, goes long and loses all the advantage accumulated over Vips, who repeatedly tries to attack the Monegasque, but without success. In the meantime Petecof waits very closely to launch the attack on Vips, and after several laps he sinks the blow with an overtaking to the limit and a long attempt to resist by Vips, who then gives in and must give way even to a incisive Chovet.



The Frenchman even tries to launch an attack on Petecof for the second position, but he has to give up on the Brazilian, who holds the French behind with decision.

The race then ends in unchanged positions, with the victory of Leclerc, who also holds the fastest lap, followed by Petecof, Chovet and Vips.

Race 2 this afetrnoon will start at 18:20.