



# **Press Release**

# Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia back in action with thrilling showcase at Suzuka Circuit

Japan. (June 19, 2019) - The Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia roars back into action this weekend for one of the season's most anticipated - and challenging - rounds with two races at Japan's iconic Suzuka Circuit.

Racing the formidable fleet of Lamborghini Huracán Super Trofeo EVO racing thoroughbreds are a tantalizing mix of champion-winning sportscar professionals and fledging talent all looking to prove themselves across the weekend's double-header in the world's fastest one-make GT series. The international field will take on the iconic and unforgiving Suzuka track, the only figure-of-eight circuit on the F1 calendar, to continue the quest for the four championship titles - Pro, Pro-Am, Am and the Lamborghini Cup.

Leading the Pro category after the season's opening double header in April are Gama Racing's Evan Chen of Chinese Taipei and quick Kiwi Chris van der Drift. The pair took both wins in Malaysia to give them the early category lead over the FFF Racing Team duo of Takashi Kasai of Japan and Finland's Juuso Puhakka. Both 24-year-old Chen and Puhakka, 20, were recently announced as part of the Lamborghini Squadra Corse Young Driver Program 2019.

Joining the pair in representing the Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia in the Young Driver Program are Brendon Leitch of New Zealand and Australian Richard Muscat. Leitch, 23, made his Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia debut in Malaysia and returns for the Suzuka rounds partnering Massimo Vignali at Leipert Motorsport in the Pro-Am category. Muscat, meanwhile, also races in the Pro-Am class, and returns to the championship with fellow Australian Daniel Stutterd at GDL Racing.

Two entries lead the ultra-competitive Pro-Am category: the Hojust Racing pairing of Afig Yazid and Toshiyuki Ochiai and the no. 66

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Vincenzo Sospiri Racing car each took a win and a second-place finish in the season-opener, and both teams will be looking to gain the advantage on the leaderboard in Suzuka. This time Hong Kong driver Alex Au teams up with Japanese driver Yuki Nemoto in the no. 66 entry. Japanese driver Takamichi Matsuda of yH Racing Team will aim to impress in his home race alongside teammate Daijiro Yoshihara, while Satoshi Furuta and Jun Tashiro of Promotion Racing will also fly the flag for Japan at Suzuka.

Chinese driver Han Huilin tops the Am class leaderboard, with the T Squared Racing driver doubly impressive with his solo efforts. Second on the Am leaderboard are brothers Sarun and Saravut Sereethoranakul of Thailand, the PSC Motorsports drivers on the hunt for their first win of the season at Suzuka.

Malaysia's Zen Low and Italian Angelo Negro team up at Aylezo Motorsports in the Am category, as does Vincent Wong who is joined by Samson Chan of Hong Kong at GDL Racing. Chan returns to the Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia for the first time since 2017. Fellow Hong Kong drivers Kenneth Lau and Michael Choi race in the Am class with Kamlung Racing Team, while Chinese driver Steven Lin of FFF Racing will tackle the double-header weekend solo. Making his Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia debut with GDL Racing is 2018 Bathurst 12 Hour Class B podium finisher Sam Fillmore of New Zealand, while Thailand's Bobby Buncharoen makes a welcome championship return with True Visions Motorsport.

Lamborghini Cup points leaders Paul Wong and Clement Li of Hong Kong started off their title defense with a perfect score two victories. They'll look to extend their lead this weekend, but category rival Gabriele Murroni of Italy will be looking for his victory of the season in the fourth GDL Racing car. Also on the hunt for his first Lamborghini Cup victory is Malaysian Kumar Prabakaran of Vincenzo Sospiri Racing.

One of the world's truly unique race tracks, Japan's legendary Suzuka Circuit contains multiple challenges for both drivers and engineers. Its 5.807 km features a rollercoaster ride of tight esses, sweeping curves, a hairpin, chicane and lightning straights, all of which require precision, intelligence and absolute commitment.

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Following two hour-long free practice sessions on Friday, June 21, qualifying sessions for each of the weekend's two races will be held on Saturday. The weekend's first race begins on Saturday at 16:55 local time (GMT+9). On Sunday, June 23, the fourth race of the season gets underway at 13:30 local time.

Both races can be watched around the world via the livestream on <a href="https://www.squadracorse.lamborghini.com">www.squadracorse.lamborghini.com</a>

# Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia 2019 Provisional Entry List - Round 2

- 1. #6/Am/Steven LIN (CHN)/FFF Racing Team
- 2. #7/Pro-Am/Massimo VIGNALI (ITA)/Brendon LEITCH (NZL)/Leipert
- 3. #8/Am/Kenneth LAU (HKG)/Michael CHOI/Kamlung Racing Team
- 4. #28/TBA/852 Challengers
- 5. #30/Pro-Am/Takamichi MATSUDA (JPN)/ Daijiro YOSHIHARA (JPN)/ yH Racing
- 6. #38/Pro-Am/Afiq YAZID (MAS)/Toshiyuki OCHIAI (JPN)/Hojust Racing
- 7. #39/Am/Huilin HAN (CHN)/T Squared Racing
- 8. #44/LC/Paul WONG (HKG)/Clement LI (HKG)/852 Challengers
- 9. #47/Pro-Am/Richard MUSCAT (AUS)/Danny STUTTERD (AUS)/ GDL Racing
- 10. #57/Am/Sarun SEREETHORANAKUL (THA)/Saravut SEREETHORANKAUL/ PSC Motorsports
- 11. #63/Pro/Takashi KASAI (JPN)/Juuso PUHAKKA (FIN)/FFF Racing Team
- 12. #66/Pro-Am/Alex AU (HKG)/Yuki NEMOTO (JPN)/Vincenzo Sospiri Racing Srl
- 13. #68/Pro/Evan CHEN (TPE)/Chris VAN DER DRIFT (NZL)/Gama Racing
- 14. #69/Am/Zen LOW (MAS)/Angelo NEGRO (ITA)/Aylezo Motorsports
- 15. #77/Am/Satoshi FURUTA (JPN)/ Jun TASHIRO (JPN)/Promotion Racing
- 16. #78/Am/Bobby BUNCHAROEN (THA)/True Visions Motorsport
- 17. #88/LC/Gabriele MURRONI (ITA) /GDL Racing
- 18. #97/Am/Sam FILLMORE (NZL)/GDL Racing

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 #98/LC/Kumar PRABAKARAN (MAS)/Vincenzo Sospiri Racing Srl
 #99/Pro-Am/Vincent WONG (HKG)/Samson CHAN (HKG)/GDL Racing

# Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia 2019 Points Standings after Round 1, Race 2

## **Pro Class**

- 1. Evan Chen 31
- 1. Chris van der Drift 31
- 2. Takashi Kasai 25
- 2. Juuso Puhakka 25

#### **Pro-Am Class**

- 1. Afiq Yazid 28
- 1. Toshiyuki Ochiai 28
- 2. Alex Au 28
- 2. Edoardo Liberati 28
- 3. Richard Muscat 18
- 3. Daniel Stutterd 18
- 4. Lim Keong Wee 16
- 4. Brendon Leitch 16
- 5. Takamichi Matsuda 14
- 5. Kei Cozzolino 14

## **Am Class**

- 1. Huilin Han 29
- 2. Sarun Sereethoranakul 20
- 2. Saravut Sereethoranakul 20
- 3. Zen Low 18
- 3. Angelo Negro 18
- 4. Andrew Haryanto 15
- 5. Kenneth Lau 12
- 5. Michael Choi 12
- 6. Steven Lin 10

## Lamborghini Cup

- 1. Paul Wong 31
- 1. Clement Li 31
- 2. Vincent Wong 23
- 2. Sui Lung Gary Cheung 23
- 3. Gabriele Murroni 20

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# Lamborghini Super Trofeo Asia 2019 Calendar

Sepang (MAL) 6/7 April
Suzuka (JPN) 22/23 June
Fuji (JPN) 6/7 July
Yeongam (KOR) 3/4 August
Shanghai (CHN) 7/8 September
Jerez (ESP) 24/27 October

**World Final** 

Jerez (ESP) 24/27 October

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In 2017 Automobili Lamborghini launched its third model the Lamborghini Urus, the first Super Sport Utility Vehicle. This car creates a new niche in the luxury segment with benchmarking power, performance and driving dynamics, unparalleled design, luxury and daily usability.

The V10 Huracán family, successor to the iconic Gallardo, made its world debut in 2014 with the Coupé version, followed by the Spyder and the Rear-Wheel-

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Drive versions as well as the Performante in 2017 and the Performante Spyder in 2018, proves their driving capabilities holding several lap records. In 2019 the new Huracán EVO has been introduced, featuring a next generation V10 engine and incorporating next-generation vehicle dynamic control and aerodynamics.

The Aventador S Coupé and Roadster presented in 2017 represent a new benchmark in the world of V12 luxury super sports cars. And the Aventador SVJ, presented in August 2018, has already claimed its position as the Nürburgring-Nordschleife production car record holder, completing the 20.6 km lap in just 6:44.97 minutes.

With 157 dealerships today throughout the world, in half a century Automobili Lamborghini has created a continuous series of dream cars, including the 350 GT, Miura, Espada, Countach, Diablo, Murciélago, as well as limited editions including the Reventón, Sesto Elemento, Veneno and the Centenario.

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Bodies), TACs (Technical Assistance Contracts) and JOCs (Joint Operating Contracts), whereas the downstream sector includes processing, marketing, trading and shipping. Commodities produced range from Fuel (BBM) and Non Fuel (Non BBM), LPG, LNG, Petrochemicals to Lube Base Oil and Lubricants.

Pertamina operates worldwide with several oil block operated outside of Indonesia, and markets its lubricants to more than 25 countries. Inside of Indonesia Pertamina operates six oil refineries with a total capacity of 1,03 MBSD, plus 56 aviation depots three lube oil blending plants, 113 fuel depots, and 4,677 fuel stations.

Pertamina's achievement of becoming a Fortune 500 company reflects the company's achievements in expanding its markets around the world, and through its premium lubricants, Fastron Platinum and premium fuel Pertamax racing, will support the Lamborghini Squadra Corse activities from 2015 to 2019.

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#### Pirelli

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The Company started a new era of selfie beautification, and was the first brand to launch smartphones with 5MP and 16MP front cameras and to introduce the motorized rotating camera, the Ultra HD feature and the 5x Dual Camera Zoom technology.

On the 19th of June 2018, Automobili Lamborghini & Oppo announced a strategic partnership at the Louvre in Paris and the Oppo Find X Automobili Lamborghini Special Edition made its debut.

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