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Lamborghini Super Trofeo Europe: Rossel and Di Folco survive penalty for Nürburgring win

Sant'Agata Bolognese/Nürburg, 6 September 2020 - Target Racing's Kevin Rossel and Alberto di Folco produced a calculated drive to claim their first Lamborghini Super Trofeo Europe victory in the second race of the weekend at the Nürburgring. Starting third on the grid following Friday's second qualifying session, di Folco made a superb start to grab second from Oregon Team's Dorian Boccolacci as the field funnelled through Turn 1 for the first time.

Kevin Rossel (Target Racing) said: *"It was a really good, but also quite difficult race. The tyres were pretty much finished by the end, so it was a case of managing them and the gap we had to second place. We had a strategy for the start of the race, which was basically to get second at the first corner. Alberto made a really good overtake so that kind of set us up nicely for my stint."*

Team-mate **Alberto di Folco** added: *"Our car was very fast. We had a perfect strategy, and in my driving stint, I tried to keep the gap over my pursuers. After the pit-stop Kevin did a great job."*

Pole-sitter Loris Spinelli (Van der Horst Motorsport) led the initial stages, building a five-second advantage over di Folco before the pit-stop window opened 20 minutes into the 50-minute race.

While di Folco made progress at the start, Leipert Motorsport's Marcus Pålverud fell back one position to fifth on the opening lap, dropping behind Target Racing's Miloš Pavlović. Following a hectic opening tour, the field settled into its rhythm as Spinelli led di Folco, Boccolacci, Pavlović and Pålverud. Konrad Motorsport's Vincent Schwartz held fifth after passing Patrick Liddy (GSM Racing).

Pålverud was the first of the leading group to make his mandatory pit-stop as the window opened, as did Liddy and VS Racing's Andrzej Lewandowski. Despite a 1.041s post-race time penalty for a pit-stop time infringement, Rossel - who had taken over from di Folco as the remaining three leaders waited until the last minute of the pit window - had enough of a margin to claim a first Super Trofeo victory.

Indeed, the main on track battle was for second place, with Pavlović's team-mate Raul Guzman successfully chasing down Kevin Gilardoni. Having swapped with Boccolacci, Gilardoni could not quite match the pace of Rossel in front but held firm against the waves of pressure from Guzman behind to remain second at the flag. It was Boccolacci and Gilardoni's first podium in Super Trofeo, while Guzman and Pavlović scored yet more valuable points for their championship assault.

Van der Horst fell back down the order once the pit-stop cycle had ended, and the Dutchman brought the car home in eighth, behind a charging Bonaldi Motorsport pairing of Dean Stoneman and Kikko Galbiati. The winners of Race 1 started from the back of the grid following a driveshaft issue in qualifying, but Galbiati made progress at the beginning of the race, jumping seven places to run 15th. Stoneman carried on the good work and ended up an impressive seventh overall by the finish and sixth in the Pro category.

VS Racing's Karol Basz again took victory in the Pro-Am class after a solid stint from Lewandowski. The Polish duo started 10th before the quicker Basz set the timesheets alight with a typical second stint charge en route to sixth.

Massimo Mantovani backed up his Race 1 class win in the Am category with another in Race 2. The Target Racing driver was also keen to mix it with those in other classes and finished a sensational 12th overall, ahead of the Pro entry of Olli Kangas (VS Racing). Kangas ended a tricky first solo weekend in the second VS Racing Huracán with two positive finishes. The Finn suffered an accident



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in Friday's practice session, causing some bruising to his right ankle. Kangas admirably drove through the pain barrier, gaining more experience in Super Trofeo.

Unfortunately, due to issues in the opening race, the Micanek Motorsport ACCR entry of Kurt Wagner and Libor Dvoracek failed to take the start of Race 2, meaning that just two cars disputed the LB Cup. Martin Lechman and Emir Keserovic claimed the class win for Konrad Motorsport ahead of Hans Fabri.

In the Pro standings, Pavlović and Guzman lead with 49 points, while Stoneman is just nine behind in second. Di Folco and Rossel with their victory are now only one point further back in third.

The championship now moves on to the next round at Barcelona on the weekend of 9th-11th October.

Lamborghini Super Trofeo - 2020 Calendar

Round 1: Misano Adriatico, 7-9th August

Round 2: Nürburgring, 4-5th September

Round 3: Barcelona, 9-11th October

Round 4: Spa-Francorchamps, 20-24th October

Round 5: Circuit Paul Ricard, 13-15th November

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