

# **Press Release**

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#### Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland, Race 6, Spielberg (Austria)

## Laurin Heinrich wins in Spielberg and is the new championship leader

**Stuttgart.** Laurin Heinrich (Van Berghe Huber Racing) has clinched his second win in the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland: The German won Sunday's race at the Red Bull Ring ahead of Porsche Junior Ayhancan Güven (Turkey/Phoenix Racing) and Leon Köhler (Germany/Nebulus Racing by Huber). Thanks to his victory in Spielberg, Heinrich takes over the lead of the championship. "My goal was to put in a good start and take the lead from the very first corner. I succeeded in doing that and it proved to be the key to success. With my teammate Leon Köhler also on the podium, it's a fantastic result for our Huber squad," said Heinrich. At the event held as part of the ADAC GT Masters support programme, 32 drivers lined up on the grid in the new Porsche 911 GT3 Cup. Thanks to the implementation of hygiene measures, up to 3,000 fans were able to witness the races on Saturday and Sunday live for the first time this season.

In bright sunshine and an air temperature of 20 degrees Celsius, polesitter Güven led the field onto the track. At the start, however, Heinrich got off the line faster in his 510 PS Cup vehicle and snatched the lead. The 19-year-old from the one-make cup's Talent Pool programme eked out an advantage over the rest of the field, confidently retained his lead after a restart and celebrated his second win of the season after 20 laps. For a long stretch, Köhler held the best cards in the battle for second place: The Huber driver also overtook Güven on the first lap, but the Turkish junior driver stuck close to Köhler. In lap 14, Güven got past the German and secured second place. "After two pole positions, I'd obviously hoped for an even better result. Unfortunately, my start wasn't perfect but I still managed to earn critical points towards the championship," said the driver from Phoenix Racing.

Saturday's winner Köhler rounded off the podium. "I got off to a great start. Unfortunately, my tyres deteriorated during the race and Ayhancan Güven grabbed his chance. One win and a podium spot are great results." Fourth place went to Julian Hanses (Germany/HRT Performance) – the best result of the season so far for the youngster. The Danish rookie driver Bastian Buus (Allied-Racing) took the flag in fifth place followed by Larry ten Voorde (Netherlands/Team GP Elite), guest driver Dorian Boccolacci (France/Martinet by Alméras) and Rudy van Buren (Netherlands/CarTech Motorsport by Nigrin).

Christopher Zöchling (Fach Auto Tech) competed on home turf at the 4.318-kilometre racetrack. After clinching seventh place in Saturday's race, the only Austrian in the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland field had to pit early after a collision two laps before the end. In the ProAm class, Carlos Rivas (Black Falcon Team Textar) celebrated a perfect race weekend in Styria. The Luxembourger won both races in his class – in Sunday's event, Kim Hauschild (Germany/HRT Motorsport) and Georgi Donchev (Bulgaria/Nebulus Racing by Huber) claimed the other two podium spots.

"For the first time this season, spectators were able to watch our races live again from the grandstands. That was obviously a real highlight for the team and drivers. With our two races, we treated fans to some great motor racing with many overtaking manoeuvres," said Hurui Issak, Project Manager of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland. In the championship, Heinrich (119 points) moves into the lead after six races followed by ten Voorde (116 points) and Güven (94 points).

The next race weekend of the Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland takes place next weekend (18 to 20 June), with the drivers and teams heading to Monza in Italy. The DTM event marks the anniversary of the one-make cup: on the storied circuit northeast of Milan, the German Carrera Cup will hold its 350th race.

#### Result race 6, Porsche Carrera Cup Deutschland

- 1. Laurin Heinrich (Germany/Van Berghe Huber Racing)
- 2. Ayhancan Güven (Turkey/Phoenix Racing)
- 3. Leon Köhler (Germany/Nebulus Racing by Huber)
- 4. Julian Hanses (Germany /HRT Performance)
- 5. Bastian Buus (Denmark/Allied-Racing)
- 6. Larry ten Voorde (Netherlands/Team GP Elite)
- 7. Dorian Boccolacci (France/Martinet by Alméras)
- 8. Rudy van Buren (Netherlands /CarTech Motorsport by Nigrin)
- 9. Max van Splunteren (Netherlands /GP Elite)
- 10. Loek Hartog (Netherlands /Black Falcon Team Textar)

## Points standings after 6 of 16 races

Drivers' classification

- 1. Laurin Heinrich (Germany /Van Berghe Huber Racing), 119 points
- 2. Larry ten Voorde (Netherlands /Team GP Elite), 116 points
- 3. Ayhancan Güven (Turkey/Phoenix Racing), 94 points

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