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Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup, Qualifying Round 4, Formula 1 race at Spielberg/Austria

### **Porsche Junior Matt Campbell posts pole in qualifying**

**Stuttgart.** At Spielberg in Austria, the Porsche Junior Matt Campbell secured pole position for the fourth round of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup. With a time of 1:31.049 minutes, the 22-year-old Australian, who competes for the Fach Auto Tech squad, planted his 485 hp Porsche 911 GT3 Cup on the top of the timesheets four minutes before the end of the qualifying session – eclipsing last year’s pole-setting time by around one second. Lining up alongside Campbell on the first grid row is the Italian Mattia Drudi (Dinamic Motorsport). The current leader of the championship, Michael Ammermüller (D/Lechner MSG Racing Team), takes up the race in the 32-strong field from the third grid spot.

In bright sunshine and an air temperature of 29 degrees Celsius, Drudi immediately posted his personal best time in his very first fast lap. When the qualifying was red-flagged halfway through the session, his rivals struggled to match his quick time. However, with four minutes left to the qualifying, Campbell beat the top time, and managed to follow up with an even faster lap. When his name appeared at the top of the timesheets with 1:30.930 minutes after clocking three fastest sector times, his excitement was short lived. “Unfortunately my best time was discarded due to track limits, but luckily my second fastest time was enough to secure pole position,” said an ecstatic Campbell. This is the Australian’s third time on the first grid spot so far this season.

On the 4.326-kilometre rollercoaster circuit, 18-year-old Drudi was in top form. “I’m absolutely thrilled about my second place on the grid. My team and I used the free

practice on Friday to find the right setup for the weekend. I'm very confident that I'll be able to underline my performance in the race," declared Drudi. Ammermüller was not happy after the qualifying: "In the last decisive lap a competitor sent me into a spin and that's irritating. Third on the grid is okay for the race. My aim is to finish on the podium."

Porsche Junior Dennis Olsen (N/Walter Lechner Racing Team) occupies ninth on the grid: "To be honest I don't know what the reason is. My team put a perfectly prepared car on the track for me, but still my lap times weren't fast enough. Now I have to find out what the problem is. The corners of the Red Bull Ring are very fast but very tight. That's what makes this circuit special and it hopefully gives me good chances to overtake during the race."

In the newly created Nations League, the qualifying result adds to the suspense. Germany, who is represented by Ammermüller, currently ranks first with 60 points. Norway is on second place with 52 points with Dennis Olsen. Great Britain sits in third place (48 points), with Australia on fourth (40 points).

Round four of the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup takes off on Sunday at 11.30 hrs. As a service for the fans, there is now a live timing on [www.racecam.de](http://www.racecam.de). Eurosport broadcasts the race in 60 countries. Viewers in Germany, Great Britain and Italy can witness the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup live on Sky TV.

### **Qualifying Spielberg**

1. Matt Campbell (AUS/Fach Auto Tech), 1:31.049 minutes
2. Mattia Drudi (I/Dinamic Motorsport), 1:31.237
3. Michael Ammermüller (D/Lechner MSG Racing Team), 1:31.253
4. Josh Webster (GB/Fach Auto Tech), 1:31.337
5. Dylan Pereira (L/Lechner Racing Middle East), 1:31.355
6. Robert Lukas (PL/Olimp Racing), 1:31.389
7. Zaid Ashkanani (KWT/MRS GT-Racing), 1:31.412
8. Daniel Cammish (GB/Lechner MSG Racing Team), 1:31.414

9. Dennis Olsen (N/Walter Lechner Racing Team), 1:31.427

10. Philip Morin (S/Martinet by Almeras), 1:31.646

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