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Comfortable 4-0 first round win against Brazil

Porsche Team Germany qualifies for Fed Cup finals

Stuttgart/Florianopolis. An impressive performance has handed Porsche Team Germany a 4-0 win against Brazil and a place in the first ever Fed Cup finals to be staged in Budapest. The decisive third point for the team captained by Rainer Schüttler was secured on Saturday by Laura Siegemund when winning 6-1, 6-2 against Gabriela Cé.

Led by Laura Siegemund as the No. 1, Porsche Team Germany produced an impressive team performance in Florianopolis, the capital of the southern state of Santa Catarina. In claiming her first ever Fed Cup victory on Friday, the 2017 Porsche Tennis Grand Prix winner beat Teliana Pereira to give the team a 1-0 lead which Tatjana Maria then doubled against Gabriela Cé. The dependable Laura Siegemund then duly clinched the match in the Costão do Santinho Resort on Saturday. Playing in temperatures of 29 degree centigrade, she put Gabriela Cé under pressure right from the start before converting her first match point to run out an easy winner against the Brazilian No. 1.

After taking an unassailable 3-0 lead, the fourth singles was not played. In the concluding doubles, Anna-Lena Friedsam and Antonia Lottner overcame Laura Pigossi/Luisa Stefani 6-1, 6-4 to round off the success for Porsche Team Germany.

“I’m very satisfied, the girls played excellently. The whole team worked well together. Now we want to perform well as a team in Budapest,” said team captain Rainer Schüttler. Barbara Rittner, Head of Women’s Tennis at the German Tennis

Association added, “A big compliment to the whole team. It always sounds easy to travel to Brazil as the favourite, but in the end every singles match is unbelievably difficult. Congratulations to Laura Siegemund who was perfect here in securing two points. And all the other players have done a good job.”

A total of twelve teams will take part in the Fed Cup finals in Budapest from 14 to 19 April.

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