

Both Porsche 919 Hybrids dominate in Spa

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06/05/2016 The two Porsche 919 Hybrids will start from the front row for the second round of the FIA World Endurance Championship.

The reigning world champions Timo Bernhard (DE), Brendon Hartley (NZ) and Mark Webber (AU) claimed pole position with their number 1 car for Saturday's six-hour race. Next to them on the grid in Spa-Francorchamps (BE) is the sister-car number 2 of Romain Dumas (FR), Neel Jani (CH) and Marc Lieb (DE). In the WEC the average of the respective best laps of two drivers counts for the grid position. In Spa Bernhard/Hartley (car number 1 / 1:55.793 minutes) and Jani/Lieb (car number 2 / 1:56.590 minutes) were the qualifying drivers.

It is the first pole position in 2016 for the 919 and its 13th pole since the prototypes' debut in 2014. For the Bernhard/Hartley/Webber trio it is the 7th pole position in total. Due to higher track

temperatures the pole time of Bernhard/Hartley was one second slower than their pole time from last year (1:54.767 minutes). In the morning, during the third free practice session, the Porsche prototypes were the fastest cars on track – the number 1 car (1:56.465 min) ahead of the number 2 car (1:58.163 min).

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