

**Media Release #13.2016****13 June 2016****Porsche Carrera Cup Italia Round 3, Misano 10-12 June**

Ledogar remains classification leader

A podium for Ledogar, a strong P6 for Gaidai, a missed podium for the #13 duo and a good show from Mik Grenier in the Sunday race, are the highlights of the Misano weekend for Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova. Ledogar leads the Carrera Cup Italia standings after 9 races.

Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova lined up two cars for the weekend in Misano: #13 for Alex Gaidai & Côme Ledogar, #33 for Canadian Mikael Grenier and Matteo Torta.

Qualifying 1 & 2

In Q1, Alex Gaidai was 6th fastest (1'38"584) while Mikael Grenier was 7th (1'38"753). In Q2, Côme Ledogar, who arrived to Misano minutes before the start of the session, was 6th fastest (1'38"113), despite he had missed free practice, because his best lap was cancelled for exceeding track limits. Matteo Torta booked 13th place on the grid of race 2 with 1'39"894. #3 Mattia Drudi took pole position on both races (1'37"343 in Q2).

#13 Alex Gaidai: *"Considering that I am 25 kg overweight, the result is quite normal. I haven't showed an extraordinary performance but I drove quite well".*

#33 Mikael Grenier: *"I did many mistakes... The car was OK but this was not a good qualifying for me".*

#13 Côme Ledogar: *"It doesn't matter I hadn't done any free practice. If I didn't made a mistake and had not my best lap cancelled, I would be on the pole".*

Race 1

Alex Gaidai did a strong race and took the flag 6th overall while his fastest lap was 4th overall. Alex did a very good start from 6th, gained a position in the first corner and managed to keep the pace of Di Amato and Fulgenzi for the following 3-4 laps. The Ukrainian was in P5 till 8th lap when laquinta managed to overtake him. Alex was not very pleased with this after the race but according to his team mate Côme Ledogar *"it was Alex's best performance so far this year"*. Race 1 was not what Mik Grenier expected. The Canadian started the race from 7th and finished it in 9th position. Mattia Drudi dominated the race from start to finish.

#13 Alex Gaidai: *"When laquinta overtook me, I could follow his pace but didn't want to risk a fight with him, thinking about the championship points. I finished in my normal position. P5-P6 is my natural position in Italy this year. To fight for the podium in every race you need more training, which is easier for Italian competitors but really hard for us"*.

#33 Mik Grenier: *"I had a good start but lost some positions in fights. Then I didn't keep a good pace and Scalvini hit me on the double right corner before the back straight. I am not satisfied with myself because I couldn't get the right pace"*.

Race 1 Classification

1. Mattia Drudi 17 laps in 28'06"374 (153,365 kmh); 2. Alessio Rovera +4"150; 3. Enrico Fulgenzi +10"365; 4. Daniele Di Amato +10"954; 5. Simone laquinta +16"121; **6. Oleksandr Gaidai +17"963**; ... **9. Mikael Grenier +38"167**;

Race 2

Côme Ledogar worked like a real professional he is and his final result - 2nd on the podium less than 2" behind Mattia Drudi - is the result of high performance and absolute control on track. This podium demonstrates the racing maturity of the French champion who had started from third row on the grid and gained positions without committing the minimum mistake. Matteo Torta showed discreet signs of improvement and gained two positions in the race to finish 11th.

#13 Côme Ledogar: *"I'm happy to be on the podium as for bringing back the car safe. I did my best, it was impossible to do more: Mattia Drudi is very fast and it is difficult to catch him if you start from P6"*.

Race 2 Classification

1. Mattia Drudi 17 laps in 28'07"908, (153,226 kmh); **2. Come Ledogar +1"995**; 3. Alessio Rovera +5"077; 4. Enrico Fulgenzi +6"800; 5. Kevin Giovesi +11"280; 6. Marco Pellegrini +29"070; ... **11. Matteo Torta +47"353**;

Race 3

This was a complicated race especially for Alex Gaidai who was hit by Eric Scalvini in the third corner of the very first lap, spun and stood still on the track falling to the back of the field. During the pit stop the #13 duo Gaidai-Ledogar stayed for an extra 15 seconds at the pit lane, this was the handicap they were given as winners of the previous round in Imola. When Ledogar took the wheel was almost at the back of the field but after a series of super fast laps - and the fastest overall in Race 3 - the French took the flag in 6th which was enough to keep him leading the championship standings. In the #33 Porsche, Mikael Grenier did a fantastic start and showed a really strong performance today climbing to 4th overall from 10th. Matteo Torta, who changed the Canadian behind the wheel of their Porsche could

not keep faster rivals behind him - partly because of a bent steering after Grenier's contact early in the race - but committed no mistakes and finished in 9th place.

#13 Alex Gaidai: *"We would be on the podium if it was not for the incident in the first lap and the 25" I lost after that trying to start up the engine. My pace was really good in my stint and I managed to overtake some cars".*

#13 Côme Ledogar: *"We will watch the race video to see how is it possible to find a way to escape such collisions. But we both, Alex and me, did our best today".*

#33 Mik Grenier: *"I did my best right from the start, I had a contact that had an impact on the car's geometry but I had a very good pace throughout my stint. Now I look forward to Mugello, where I am going to have some testing next week".*

Race 3 Classification

1. Mattia Drudi 27 laps in 47'50"053 (148,423 Kmh); 2. Simone Iaquina - Kevin Giovesi +10"309; 3. Enrico Fulgenzi +42"327; 4. Gianmarco Quaresmini +49"953; 5. Alex De Giacomi +56"822; **6. Oleksandr Gaidai - Côme Ledogar +1'00"700; ... 9. Mikael Grenier - Matteo Torta +1'14"238;**

CARRERA CUP ITALIA CLASSIFICATIONS

After the racing weekend in Misano with 9 from 21 races in the season complete, #13 Côme Ledogar still leads the provisional Carrera Cup Italia standings with 97 points, followed by Mattia Drudi who climbed to 91 p., Alessio Rovera (84p.) and Alex Gaidai who stands 4th overall with 68 points. In the teams classification, Tsunami RT - Centro Porsche Padova stands 3rd with 115 points behind Dinamic Motorsport (146 p.) and Ebimotors (133p.). For the complete classifications visit the following link on the official PCCI website:

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