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Sprint victory for BMW team FK Performance keeps title race exciting

- **Third win of this season's ADAC GT Masters for Maxime Oosten and Leon Köhler**
- **Landgraf Motorsport retains championship lead, Seppänen wins "Road to DTM" competition**
- **Swiss team Fach Auto Tech triumphs in ProAm class**

Spa-Francorchamps. A big win for Maxime Oosten (NL) and Leon Köhler (Erlenbach am Main) in the BMW M4 GT3 of FK Performance: the German/Dutch duo claimed its third win of the ADAC GT Masters season at Spa-Francorchamps, winning the 40-minute sprint at the circuit also known as the Ardennes Rollercoaster. "I am overjoyed that we won. First place means we gained a few points on the championship leaders and have significantly improved our chances of winning the title," said Oosten. His team-mate Köhler was relieved after the race: "On the whole, it was a difficult weekend for us. The clutch was particularly troublesome, but we won in the end, and I am delighted." The BMW team from Bremen crossed the finish line in second place, but a 15-minute penalty for original race winners Tom Kalender (Hamm/Sieg) and Elias Seppänen (FIN/both Landgraf Motorsport) saw the outfit from the Hanseatic city promoted to winners one and a half hours after the race. Second place went to Alexander Schwarzer (D) and Alexander Fach (CH) in a Porsche 911 GT3 R for Fach Auto Tech. The Audi R8 LMS GT3 Evo2 of Jonas Karklys (LIT) and Pablo Schumm (CH/both Liqui Moly Team Engstler by NordVPN) followed them home in third place. This was the best result of the season for both teams.

Race eight of this season's ADAC GT Masters got off to a dramatic start at the 7.004-kilometre Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps. Kalender drove into the rear of the Ferrari 296 GT3 of pole-sitter Jean-Luc D'Auria's (CH) in turn one. The Swiss driver spun and rejoined the race at the back of the field. He then had to park his car up in front of the Emil Frey Racing garage during the pit stop. Mike David Ortmann (Ahrensfelde) benefitted from this incident and took the lead for Walkenhorst Motorsport in an Aston Martin Vantage GT3. Following a safety car phase while a car was being recovered, Ortmann was handed a penalty lap for his false start and consequently dropped back to eighth place. Back at the front, Kalender now led, followed by Köhler. They maintained those positions after the pit stops and crossed the finish line in the same order. However, Kalender was subsequently awarded a 15-second penalty for his manoeuvre against D'Auria at the start – victory went to Köhler.

As the race entered the closing stages, an exciting battle for victory in the ProAm class developed between the cars placed third to fifth in the overall standings. In the end, it was the Fach Auto Tech team that came out on top. "I am totally overwhelmed. After being unlucky and failing to finish yesterday, here we are today on the podium as overall runners-up. It feels fantastic," said Alexander Schwarzer.

Benjamin Hites (CHL) and Tim Zimmermann came home fourth in their Lamborghini Huracán GT3 Evo2. Rounding out the top five were Denis Bulatov (Cologne) and Ortmann in an Aston Martin Vantage GT3 for Walkenhorst Motorsport. Seppänen and Kalender eventually had to settle for sixth place. David Schumacher (Salzburg) and Salman Owega (Cologne) from Haupt Racing Team were seventh in a

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Mercedes-AMG GT3, ahead of Jannes Fittje and Finn Wiebelhaus (Obertshausen/both Haupt Racing Team) in another Mercedes-AMG GT3 in eighth. The third Haupt Racing Team Mercedes-AMG GT3 crossed the finish line in ninth place with Max Reis (Ramstein) and Kwanda Mokoena (ZAF/both Haupt Racing Team) at the wheel. Tenth place went to Simon Connor Primm (Großschirma) and Jonas Greif (Coswig) in a Lamborghini Huracán GT3 Evo2 run by the Paul Motorsport team.

Kalender and Seppänen continue to lead the Drivers championship with 159 points, ahead of Oosten and Köhler on 147. The trophy in the “Road to DTM” was won by Seppänen, who leads the competition with 182 points. The title race enters the next round at the Red Bull Ring in Austria from 27th to 29th September. The drivers will contest races nine and ten of the season at the circuit in the Styria region.

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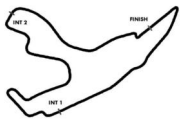
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Result List Provisional

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STEWARD	Astrid Marechal
RACE DIRECTOR	Sven Stoppe
CLERK OF THE COURSE	Philippe Godet
TECHNICAL DELEGATE	Korbinian Beckert
CHIEF TIMEKEEPER	Steffen Ruhl

Weather Start/Finish

AIR	29.3°C
TRACK	42.6°C
CONDITIONS	Dry
PRESSURE	970 hPa
AIR	29.9°C
TRACK	43.7°C
CONDITIONS	Dry
PRESSURE	970 hPa

Track Information

GREEN FLAG	13:55:09
CHEQUERED FLAG	14:39:48
SAFETY CAR PHASE	1
FULL COURSE YELLOW PHASE	0
TRACK NAME	Spa GT3
TRACK LENGTH	7004m
TURN COUNT	19
TOTAL DISTANCE	119.06km
FASTEST LAP:	#29. HOS - 2:18.734

STARTED: 18 CLASSIFIED: 15 NOT CLASSIFIED: 3 DISQUALIFIED: 0

Nr.	Drivers	Team	Laps	Total Time	Gap	Kph	Lap	Time	Kph
Cl.	Car	Competitor							
1	54 M.Oosten(NLD)(R)/L.Köhler(DEU)(R) Silver BMW M4 GT3	FK Performance Motorsport(DEU) FK Performance Motorsport	17	44:40.859		159.1	5	2:19.108	181.2
2	4 A.Fach(CHE)(R)/A.Schwarzer(DEU) PAM Porsche 911 GT3 R 992	FACH AUTO TECH(CHE) FACH AUTO TECH	17	44:51.551	10.692	158.9	8	2:19.210	181.1
3	8 J.Karklys(LTU)/P.Schumm(CHE)(R) PAM Audi R8 LMS GT3 EVO II	LIQUI MOLY Team Engstler by NordVPN(DEU) LIQUI MOLY Team Engstler by NordVPN	17	44:52.060	11.201	159.0	8	2:19.420	180.8
4	63 B.Hites(CHL)(R)/T.Zimmermann(DEU) Silver Lamborghini Huracan GT3 EVO 2	GRT Grasser-Racing-Team(AUT) GRT Grasser-Racing-Team	17	44:52.509	11.650	158.5	16	2:19.082	181.2
5	34 D.Bulatov(DEU)/M.Ortmann(DEU)(R) Silver Aston Martin Vantage GT3	Walkenhorst Motorsport(DEU) Walkenhorst Motorsport	17	44:54.467	13.608	158.0	15	2:19.232	181.0
6	1 E.Seppänen(FIN)(R)/T.Kalender(DEU)(R) Silver Mercedes-AMG GT3	Landgraf Motorsport(DEU) Landgraf Motorsport	17	44:54.844	13.985	159.1	6	2:18.994	181.4
7	2 D.Schumacher(DEU)(R)/S.Owega(DEU)(R) Silver Mercedes-AMG GT3	Haupt Racing Team(DEU) Haupt Racing Team	17	44:57.471	16.612	158.2	16	2:18.807	181.6
8	3 J.Fittje(DEU)(R)/F.Wiebelhaus(DEU)(R) Silver Mercedes-AMG GT3	Haupt Racing Team(DEU) Haupt Racing Team	17	44:58.670	17.811	158.3	16	2:19.298	181.0
9	5 M.Reis(DEU)(R)/K.Mokoena(ZAF)(R) Silver Mercedes-AMG GT3	Haupt Racing Team(DEU) Haupt Racing Team	17	45:00.090	19.231	158.3	16	2:19.454	180.8
10	33 S.Primm(DEU)(R)/J.Greif(DEU)(R) Silver Lamborghini Huracan GT3 EVO 2	Paul Motorsport(DEU) Paul Motorsport	17	45:06.507	25.648	158.2	8	2:19.632	180.5
11	37 H.Still(DEU)/J.Day(ARE)(R) Silver Aston Martin Vantage GT3	PROsport Racing(DEU) PROsport Racing	17	45:12.469	31.610	157.7	5	2:20.703	179.2
12	19 T.Hagler(USA)/G.Tweraser(AUT) PAM Lamborghini Huracan GT3 EVO 2	GRT Grasser-Racing-Team(AUT) GRT Grasser-Racing-Team	17	45:17.584	36.725	157.1	8	2:19.191	181.1
13	27 R.Rennhofer(AUT)(R)/H.Sasse(DEU)(R) Silver Aston Martin Vantage GT3	PROsport Racing(DEU) PROsport Racing	17	45:18.131	37.272	157.3	6	2:20.488	179.4
14	29 S.Holzem(DEU)(R)/J.Holzem(DEU)(R) Silver Audi R8 LMS GT3 EVO II	Land Motorsport(DEU) Land Motorsport	17	45:25.416	44.557	156.6	9	2:18.734	181.7
15	10 G.de Sybourg(CHE)(R)/E.Coseteng(PHL)(R) Silver BMW M4 GT3	FK Performance Motorsport(DEU) FK Performance Motorsport	17	45:33.937	53.078	156.4	8	2:21.112	178.6
Not classified									
	91 M.Kapfnger(DEU)(R)/J.Kapfnger(DEU)(R) Silver Porsche 911 GT3 R 992	Team Joos by Twin Busch(DEU) Team Joos by Twin Busch	11	31:19.734	6LAPS	145.4	9	2:19.249	181.0
	14 A.Valente(CHE)/J.D'Auria(CHE)(R) Silver Ferrari 296 GT3	EMIL FREY RACING(CHE) EMIL FREY RACING	8	22:13.261	9LAPS	150.3	7	2:20.864	178.9
	35 C.Hull(USA)/N.Hantke(DEU)(R) PAM Aston Martin Vantage GT3	Walkenhorst Motorsport(DEU) Walkenhorst Motorsport							

Fastest lap of the race. Car 29 driver Sandro Holzem on lap 9. Time 2:18.734, average speed 181.7 km/h.

Following stewards decision no. 34 - 3 penalty lap converted into a time penalty of 15 seconds for car no. 1

Subject to final scrutineering!

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Clerk of the Course: Philippe Godet

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