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Engelhart wins Hungary debut of the Porsche Carrera Cup Germany

Konrad Motorsport driver Christian Engelhart has won the fifth round of Germany's fastest one make cup. At the debut of the championship on the Hungaroring at the gates of Budapest, the German at first clinched the pole position for the race on Saturday and later on celebrated a clear light-to-flag victory. In the second race on Sunday all hopes of the 27-year-old vanished with a tyre damage. Christopher Zöchling shone with a remarkable hunt through the field and improved in the race on Sunday from 12th to 8th position. Rolf Ineichen scored a double victory in Hungary and further extended his lead in the amateur classification of the championship.

Victory on Saturday, disappointment on Sunday – Christian Engelhart experienced a roller coaster of emotions during the race weekend on the Hungaroring at the gates of Budapest. “Everything went perfect for me in the first of the two races. The team gave me a brilliant car. I had a good start and turned into the first corner ahead of Michael Ammermüller”, Christian Engelhart takes a look back. Lap by lap he was able to extend the race lead on his pursuer from Bavaria to finally cross the finish line with an advantage of about three seconds. “However, I am all the more disappointed about the race on Sunday”, Engelhart explained. The Konrad Motorsport driver damaged his right rear tyre in a collision through no fault of his own and had to come into the pit to change it. With that, a result within the points was out of reach for the 27-year-old Porsche expert.

Engelhart's team mate Christopher Zöchling scored ranks nine and eight at the Budapest debut of the Porsche Carrera Cup Germany. “It could have gone a little better, but my starting positions were not the best and the Hungaroring only provides poor opportunities for overtaking manoeuvres. After all it still was enough to snatch some valuable points for the championship in both races”, the Austrian draws a balance after the third of nine race weekends this season. Zöchling with 66 points still covers third rank in the championship behind his team mate Christian Engelhart (71 points). Konrad Motorsport was able to defend the lead in the team standings ahead of the squad of Förch Racing.

The B-Classification of the championship became again a clear matter for Konrad Motorsport driver Rolf Ineichen. The Swiss claimed the victory of the amateur class in both races on the 4.381 kilometres long circuit. “I still have some troubles with the start, but the races developed quite well for me”, said Ineichen. With the double victory, the 36-year-old was able to further extend the lead to his pursuers in the standings of the championship.

Team manager Franz Konrad was satisfied with the efforts of his team at the Hungary weekend. “Once more the performance of Rolf was quite impressive. Without the incident Christian easily could have claimed a reasonable amount of points also in the second race of the weekend. Christopher convinced again with a solid performance in both races and was able to consolidate his good position in the driver standings of the championship”, the 62-year-old summarized the third weekend of the Porsche Carrera Cup Germany.

After the race in Budapest the team Konrad Motorsport can catch a breath again. After five race weekends in a row, the team will have a three week's break before racing goes on with the Porsche Mobil 1 Supercup on June, 22nd. After eleven years the most popular one make cup of the world returns to the Red Bull Ring in the Austrian Styria region, making the third round of the year a home race for team boss Franz Konrad. The 62-year-old was born in Graz, only about 70 kilometres away from the demanding Red Bull Ring.