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Report of the EC Warm Up Large Scale Track.

From 3 rd to 6 th June, the European Championship Warm Up for Formula 1 and Touring Cars took place at Slavkov in Czech Republic.

Slavkov is a very nice small town, steeped in history, and it was a real pleasure to be there.

19 Drivers in Formula 1 and 38 in Touring cars were present, even the numbers of them in both categories was a little bit higher. 8 Nations were represented, and the **International Jury** was constituted by:

- **Race Director** : KARPITA Ondres from Czech Republic
- **Time Keeper** : SELAGA Vladimir from Czech Republic
- **Teams Managers** :
 - BAYER Martin from Czech Republic
 - ROSSKAM Cor from Nederland
 - BRIERE Mathieu from France
 - LEUE Peter from Germany
 - WEISER Christian from Austria
 - MATOZIC Zvonimir from Croatia
 - PEREZ David from Spain
 - LISSAU Michael from Denmark
 - POELMANS Jimmy from Belgium
- **Officials** :
 - Technical Controller: EFRA's Vice-president Large Scale Section & PR Officer : Wolfgang PETERMANN
 - Referee & Large Scale Chairman : Francis BILLA

The copy of the Insurance Certificate was presented to the Section Chairman by M. Dusan BAYER prior to the event. It was subscribed specifically for the Warm Up from 3 rd to 6 th June. Another contract will be subscribed and presented for the EC's period, in due time.

It was decided by the Race Director and Organizer to have Transmitters impounded only for **Crystals ones**. Number of them: 4.

We were very lucky with the weather; sun was always there, except on Thursday afternoon, with a sky a little bit cloudy, but no rain. Temperatures were still between 24° and 29° degrees. Track highest, what caused some problems to the Drivers in the research for the best tires to be used.

- Thursday afternoon : 4 rounds of free practice,
- Friday morning.....: 3 rounds of free practice,
- Friday afternoon.....: 2 rounds of free practice, 1 round of controlled practice.

A pre technical control was done by W.PETERMANN after this last one: verification of weight, dimensions, and chassis marked for all cars.

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- Saturday.....: 1 round more of controlled practice, followed by 4 qualifications heats for TC and 3 qualifications heats for Formula 1.
- Monday.....: sub finals and finals: please see sheets results, for general classification.

General Organisation:

Under permanent and efficient controls from Dusan BAYER and his very important Staff: Race Director, Time Keeper, Pavel JUZL, and a lot of Volunteers People on the pit lane, and at the Restaurant offering a quantity & quality of foods & drinks, at reasonable prices, very appreciated by Drivers, Mechanics, Officials, etc.

Saturday evening was **offered** to everybody a good meal and some excellent at will, beer. It still under Dusan BAYER's sharp eye.

A magnificent plaque of presentation in four-color process was distributed to everybody, (the same that was already handed to the EFRA's AGM in November, 2009) by our **Friend** Pavel JUZL, who was during all the weekend, of an impressive activity, and a redoubtable efficiency. As LS Chairman, I shall like paying him here a **particular tribute**, because it is good thanks to People like him, who act almost always in the shadow, without particular recognition of the Drivers and sometimes of Officials, that such events can exist.

No detail in the organization was left at random, and can result that from a serious and relentless work of a whole Team and from his Manager. Some small "technical" details of improvement were asked by Wolfgang PETERMANN and the signatory, to obtain a direct communication, between the Technical Inspection, the Race Director & the Referee, for example. This will be made for the EC. It will allow winning a precious time in proclamation and display of the results. This will be made with no problem at all.

Final Technical Control took effect, as scheduled by the rules, at the end of the first qualifications round. No real problem was found. However a certain number of cars were **too noisy** at the end of the main straight line. W.PETERMANN asked to concerned Drivers to work on this subject **before** EC's.

A real "*battle*" for pole position earning, took place throughout the weekend because it was successively detained by Cedric PREVOT, Bernard Alain ARNALDI, Martin BAYER, Mathieu BRIERE and Jennifer BERNAUER.

We were able to attend beautiful races, with a big fair-play, in some very rare exceptions.

Only one Stop and Go was imposed on a Driver having proceeded to adjustments of its Transmitter, car stopped on the track, during the warm up laps of 1/4 of finale A, what is **forbidden**. This kind of manipulation has compulsory to be made in the pit lane only.

Martin BAYER remained "Master at Home", having won both main finals: Formula 1 and Tourism Car. However for European championships, he will have to face a "*wild*", serious competition and of very high level.

The nice ceremony of prize-giving took place at the end, with delivery of very beautiful trophies for 10 first ones of every category, more one for the final holder of the track lap record: the French Driver Mathieu BRIERE, this lap record having fallen in main TC final, is the quite last race.



It is usual to say that "The absent are always in the wrong" and if it was not so badly necessary to have certain number of committed Drivers, it had been possible to expect in more than those really there, what had been more interesting for the Hosting Club and race itself.

In the same way, seen the place of the track (very near the city center), spectators' largest number would have been welcome. Let us wish to the Organizers a more important success as for this subject, during all the period of European Championships.

By hoping that these Championships will take place as well, otherwise better than the Warm-up itself, everybody left with regrets this "small CZECH paradise" for Large Scale model cars.

Dusan BAYER promised us something very special for the EC.

We support him gladly in this very original initiative, and hope that he will obtain a **full success** to realize his personal wish.

In our knowledge, it was never made... **But it is a surprise!!!**

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The overall results can be found here:

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