

Vesti is penalized, Fittipaldi wins race 3

The Danish dominates the race, but on the podium he's behind Fittipaldi and Fraga

Imola, 1st August 2019 – The three Prema Powerteam drivers start well, Vesti maintains the first position, Fittipaldi gives the second to Caldwell. Bad start for Fraga (DR Formula RP Motorsport) who is then involved in a touch between many vehicles, in which the worst consequences are for Matteo Nannini (Corbetta Racing Srls), the Italian driver started in third row and finds himself to be tenth after the touch. Is then Schumacher (US Racing) who loses many positions (from sixth to tenth) after going out of the track while trying to overtaking Fraga on Rivazza turn. Caldwell retires, he's off track, probably for a technical problem, giving back the second position to Fittipaldi. Bardinon (Van Amersfoort Racing) goes out of the track on Tosa turn, he doesn't retire at first, but he does after a while for some problems occurred with the transmission. Spin for Guzman (DR Formula RP Motorsport), after arriving to close to the limit on Tamburello turn and passed through the gravel. Vesti keeps going with a pace higher than the other competitors and leads the race, behind him Fittipaldi protect his positions from Fraga's attacks, followed by Sophia Floersch (Van Amersfoort Racing), who's studying and waiting the occasion to overtake and conquers her first podium in the championship. Blomqvist (Kic Motorsport) retires after a tough duel with Nannini. The Italian driver gets a 25 seconds penalty from the race direction after the accident.

Penalty even for Frederik Vesti, 5 seconds. The Danish tricked the group with a surprisingly re-start after "faking" a zigzag to warm-up the tyres, in the end of the safety car regime. He's the first on the track, but the final podium is Fittipaldi, Fraga and Vesti. Right after the three, Sophia Floersch, just a step away from the podium, then Marcos Siebert (US Racing), David Schumacher and Raul Guzman.

In the afternoon Vallelunga replay race will close this long Formula Regional European Championship certified by FIA ACI Racing Weekend, at 16.40. Live on Motorsport.tv (Italian and English) and AutomotoTV, in live streaming on the website <u>www.acisport.it</u> and on the championship's Facebook page.

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