

Spa-Francorchamps, QP1: On wet track Saucy and then Mini

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The first qualifying session on the **Circuit de Spa-Francorchamps** starts with wet track indication by race direction, even though the track is still not completely wet so the teams choose slick tyres. After a few minutes, **Oliver Goethe (MP Motorsport)** is off track and his qualifying ends. **Red flag** permits all teams to stop in the pits and swap tyres as the rain increases and the track is finally completely wet. It will be the first wet track session of the week for the Formula Regional by Alpine drivers.

In these new conditions positions at the front change constantly, with **Grégoire Saucy (ART Grand Prix)**, his teammate **Gabriele Mini**, **Zane Maloney (R-ace GP)**, **David Vidales (Prema Powerteam)**, **Franco Colapinto (MP Motorsport)** and **Hadrien David (R-ace GP)** all moving in the first positions.

Finally, and once more, even in wet track conditions, it is **Saucy to conquer pole position (2:35.363)**, even though he is slowed down by Nicola Marinangeli (Arden Motorsport) in one of the last laps of the session. Behind him, **Mini** obtains a great second position (2:35.476), only a tenth from his teammate. **Third**, a little further behind as far a time gap concerns, is a fantastic **Vidales (2:35.982)**, while **fourth is David (2:36.324)**.

"In the first session on wet track I am really pleased to have confirmed the best lap time gaining pole position for Race 2 tomorrow. I think the potential is even higher, as I was slowed down at the end of the session. We have worked well with the team that I thank so much, and I am looking forward to QP2, which will be most probably also on wet track", commented the "once more" **poleman, Grégoire Saucy**.

"I am really pleased. I did not expect to obtain such a great result, and I could have even done better. At the beginning of the session with slick tyres I was about to conquer pole position, even though conditions were to the limit and spinning was very likely. I will work with the mechanics and engineers, as we can improve even more. I had really positive sensations in this session", commented **Gabriele Minì at the end of the session.**

First Qualifying Final Classification

QP2 will start this afternoon at **16.50** and will be valid for the **grid of Race 1**, starting at **19.25**, for a very long Saturday of racing.

The **live-streaming** both of QP2 and races will go on the official **Youtube** and **Facebook** channels of the series, which are also reachable from the official website: formularegionaleubyalpine.com

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