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## ITALIAN GT CHAMPIONSHIP 2017

### FRASSINETTI AND BERETTA WIN THE TITLE

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**USPA NEWS** - The titles of the 15th Italian GT Championship that still were up for grabs have been awarded in Mugello in the 7th and closing round of the season. In Super GT3 PRO the new Italian champions are Alex Frassinetti and Michele Beretta (Lamborghini Huracan-Ombra Racing), GT3's is Simone Niboli (Ferrari 458 Italia-MP1 Corse), while the victory of the National Trophy GTS went to Sabino De Castro (Porsche Cayman-Ebimotors). The new champions added up on those named after race-1: Super GT3 was won by Stefano Comandini and Alberto Cerqui (BMW M6 GT3-BMW Team Italia), Super GT Cup by the Finns Tuomas Tujala and Aaro Vainio (Lamborghini Huracan-Vincenzo Sospiri Racing) and the GT Cup title had been won in the previous round in Vallelunga by Eugenio Pisani (Porsche 997-Siliprandi Racing). The Italian champions Frassinetti-Beretta led Agostini-Zampieri (Lamborghini Huracan) and Gai-Venturi (Ferrari 488) in race-2, while in Super GT Cup's race two the highest step on the podium went to Cazzaniga-D'Amico who led Desideri-Perullo and Liang-Ortiz, all on Lamborghini Huracan.

GT CUP: Francesco La Mazza's victory (Porsche 997) in race-2 earned him the title of vice-champion. Ebimotors' driver and co-equipper Giuseppe Nicolosi repeated the win taken on Saturday and got past Walter Palazzo in the standings. The driver of Siliprandi Racing, who shared his Porsche 997 Cup with the new Italian Champion Eugenio Pisani, had an excursion early on ending his race in the gravel trap, which allowed Nicolosi to close in 4 points short in the classification.

GTS: The closing race of the season also awarded the GTS National Trophy to Sabino De Castro (Porsche Cayman). Ebimotors' driver managed the race taking P5, a result that was enough to win the title with 10 points lead over Nicola Neri. The driver of Kinetic Racing and co-equipper Mauro Pizzola, were second in race-1 and therefore were still in the fight for the title, but the axle-shaft broken on lap 3 did not allow them to fight for the title until the end. The victory went to Luca Magnoni (Ginetta G55-Nova Race), who preceded Matteo Arrigosi (Porsche Cayman-Ebimotors) and teammate Mark Speakerwas, while Ghezzi-Giovanelli (Porsche 997-Autorlando) ended fourth leading the fresh champion Sabino De Castro.

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