



Media Information
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BMW i Andretti Motorsport finishes third and fourth in New York – Podium for António Félix da Costa.

- **António Félix da Costa and Alexander Sims come home third and fourth for BMW i Andretti Motorsport in New York.**
- **Félix da Costa and Sims keep cool heads in race twelve of the season despite multiple incidents and a safety car period.**
- **Jens Marquardt: “We are in really good form again here at the end of the season”.**

New York. The BMW i Andretti Motorsport team enjoyed a successful New York City E-Prix on Saturday. António Félix da Costa (POR), in the #28 BMW iFE.18, finished third in the twelfth race of this season’s ABB FIA Formula E Championship. He was followed over the finish line of the ‘Brooklyn Circuit’ (USA) by team-mate Alexander Sims (GBR) in fourth place. Victory went to Sébastien Buemi (SUI, Nissan).

This was the fourth podium for Félix da Costa, who started from eighth on the grid, having previously won in Ad Diriyah (KSA) and finished second and third in Mexico City (MEX) and Sanya (CHN). Sims came home fourth for the second time this season. Félix da Costa currently lies fifth with 97 points in the Drivers’ Championship. Sims is 15th with 36 points to his name.

While fans in New York witnessed many incidents – one of which resulted in the appearance of the BMW i8 Coupé Safety Car – and some thrilling battles in hot conditions, the two BMW i Andretti Motorsport drivers were able to steer clear of trouble. They were ultimately rewarded for their flawless drivers with a strong team result. The final race of the Formula E season will take place on Sunday.

Reactions to the New York City E-Prix:

Jens Marquardt (BMW Group Motorsport Director):

“Congratulations to the whole team on this strong result here at our American home round in New York. We are in really good form again here at the end of the season. Both António Félix da Costa and Alexander Sims kept calm and remained fully





focussed on their race, despite the heat and the many incidents. Third and fourth place is yet more proof that the BMW iFE.18 is one of the strongest cars in the field and is good for top results. We want to demonstrate that again on Sunday – and to end Season 5 with another highlight.”

Roger Griffiths (BMW i Andretti Motorsport Team Principal):

“We have a good day behind us. We were competitive with both cars right from the first practice session. We could have finished even higher in qualifying, but the result we had meant we were able to attack in the race. Both António and Alexander had good, clean starts. They pulled off some nice overtaking manoeuvres and drove intelligently. The safety car period did not necessarily play into our hands, but that is motor racing. Despite that, both drivers had what it takes to finish on the podium today. Furthermore, that was – except for Ad Diriyah – our best race of the year in terms of the total points haul. We want to back that up tomorrow.”

António Félix da Costa (#28 BMW iFE.18, qualifying result: 8th place, race result: 3rd place, FANBOOST voting: 5th place, points: 97):

“Although my car was damaged at the start, following a few contacts, we had very good pace. We drove a clever race. I was able to save energy in a few phases, in order to use it later in the race. That allowed me to gradually work my way through the field. Alexander helped me a little on my way to the podium. He also deserved a podium finish. We both scored valuable points for the team. I am particularly pleased to have claimed a podium for BMW i Andretti Motorsport here in New York. That is great for the whole team.”

Alexander Sims (#27 BMW iFE.18, qualifying result: 5th place, race result: 4th place, FANBOOST voting: 14th place, points: 36):

“That was a really exciting race – very hot and very demanding. My start was very good, as was our pace in the early stages. Following Alex Lynn’s technical issue, I suddenly found myself running second. In the end, I had to settle for fourth. We got a superb result for the team, which feels really good. I am looking forward to tomorrow. We want to end the season on a high.”

The BMW i Support Vehicle Fleet.

BMW i is “Official Vehicle Partner” of the ABB FIA Formula E Championship in Season 5. Spearheading the fleet were two Safety Cars: The BMW i8 Roadster Safety Car (combined fuel consumption: 2.0 l/100 km; combined power consumption: 14.5 kWh/100 km; combined CO2 emissions: 46 g/km)*, which had been specially modified for use at the racetrack, and the BMW i8 Coupé Safety Car





(combined fuel consumption: 1.8 l/100 km; combined power consumption: 14.0 kWh/100 km; combined CO₂ emissions: 42 g/km)*. The BMW i fleet also included the BMW i3s (combined fuel consumption: 0.0 l/100 km; combined energy consumption: 14.3 kWh; combined CO₂ emissions: 0 g/km)* as “Race Director Car” and the BMW 530e (combined fuel consumption: 2.2-2.1 l/100 km; combined energy consumption: 13.6-13.3 kWh/100 km; combined CO₂ emissions: 49-47 g/km)* in its role as “Medical Car”.

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