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Qatar Cross Country Rally 2018 - Round 4, FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup.

- MINI secures win at Qatar Cross Country Rally 2018.
- Jakub 'Kuba' Przygonski / Tom Colsoul in a MINI John Cooper Works Rally win Qatar Cross Country Rally
- MINI Family member Jakub 'Kuba' Przygonski regains lead of the FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup.

Munich. The MINI Family crew of Jakub 'Kuba' Przygonski (POL) and co-driver Tom Colsoul (BEL) today achieved victory at the seventh edition of the Qatar Cross Country Rally – Round 4 of the 2018 FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup. The dynamic duo in their MINI John Works Rally took two stage wins, two seconds and a third place to achieve the top podium position.

Taking the win in Qatar after five days and just under 2000km was Przygonski and Colsoul's goal following their second place result in the 2017 edition. With today's win, Przygonski regains the lead in the 2018 FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup.

The five stage race held no real dramas for Przygonski and Colsoul (BEL), who drove a superb race and without falling foul of missing vital waypoints, unlike many of their competitors. Indeed, despite the desert heat, sand and rocky trails, the pair had nearly a faultless race to finish just over 40 minutes ahead of the second-placed car.

Jakub 'Kuba' Przygonski: "We are so happy to have won this rally. It is one of the toughest races in the World Cup season. It was a great race for us – we were really pushing from the beginning. We did not have any big issues with navigation or the MINI John Cooper Works Rally. I do feel for some of the other competitors who received penalties... but this is motorsport, where anything can happen!

"Now we are leading the World Cup. After four races it is a good sign for us – it shows we can fight for the win in the World Cup, which is something we will definitely try to manage."

Round 5 of the 2018 FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup is Rally Kazakhstan, 27th May-2 June. For more information, click here: 2018 Rally Kazakhstan.

FIA Cross Country Rally World Cup 2018 remaining rounds

Round	Event	Date
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5	Rally Kazakhstan	27 May-2 June
6	Italian Baja	21-24 June
7	Baja Spain	20-22 July
8	Hungarian Baja	9-12 August
9	Baja Poland	30 August-2 Sept
10	Rallye Oilibya du Maroc	3-9 October
11	Baja Portalegre 500	25-27 October

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