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Victories for BMW racers Carmelo Morales and Federico D'Annunzio in Spain and Italy.

- Carmelo Morales gets second win of the season in the Spanish Championship.
- Federico D'Annunzio wins in the Italian National Trophy 1000.
- Luca Vitali and Luca Salvadori also finished on the podium in Italy.

Munich. In the third race of the Spanish Championship (RFME CEV) at Navarra (ESP), defending champion Carmelo Morales (ESP) celebrated his second win of the season. The BMW racers also enjoyed success at Imola, Italy, where Luca Vitali (ITA) finished on the podium in the Italian Superbike Championship (CIV). In the Italian National Trophy 1000 (INT) race, the win went to BMW S 1000 RR rider Federico D'Annunzio (ITA). Luca Salvadori (ITA) finished third, joining him on the podium.

MOTUL FIM Superbike World Championship at Laguna Seca, USA.

The Laguna Seca Raceway (USA), with the legendary Corkscrew turn, hosted the eighth round of the season in the MOTUL FIM Superbike World Championship (WorldSBK). On the track near the Californian city of Monterey, Loris Baz (FRA) and the Gulf Althea BMW Team secured a top-ten spot. However, the Frenchman was unlucky on Saturday. In the crucial Superpole 2, Baz had to make do with twelfth place on the grid after a fall. In the race he fell again on lap three, but Baz was able to keep riding and managed to salvage a point for finishing in 15th place. In the race on Sunday, he worked his way up the field with a few overtaking manoeuvres in the race, finishing in tenth to secure a top-ten spot.

Spanish Championship at Navarra, Spain.

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It was the third race in the 2018 Spanish Championship (RFME CEV) and the second win of the season for reigning champion Carmelo Morales (ESP). In Navarra (ESP), the BMW rider of the Graphenano EasyRace SBK Team showed his expertise once again. Starting from second on the grid, Morales took the lead immediately and retained it right to the end of the race. After this win, Morales is the sole leader in the championship standings.

Carmelo Morales: "The race was very demanding physically because it was extremely hot. I'm very pleased with the result, I was able to push 100 percent right to the end. Big thanks go to the team and to BMW, they provided me with a winning bike. This has given us a lot of confidence for the coming races."

Italian Superbike Championship in Imola, Italy.

The Italian Superbike Championship (CIV) was at Imola (ITA) at the weekend. Luca Vitali (ITA / DMR Racing) finished on the podium at the iconic track: he claimed third place in the second race. Vitali was sixth in race one. His team-mate Axel Bassani (ITA) crossed the line in ninth and eighth place. Christian Gamarino (ITA / Tutapista Corse) finished the first race in eighth, but retired from race two.

Italian National Trophy 1000 at Imola, Italy.

The Italian National Trophy 1000 (INT) also headed to Imola (ITA) for the third race of the 2018 season. With a considerable lead of more than three seconds, BMW rider Federico D'Annunzio (ITA) celebrated his second win of the season. Fellow BMW rider Luca Salvadori (ITA) finished third to join him on the podium. Two other BMW riders followed in fourth and fifth place: Alessandro Polita (ITA) and Remo Castellarin (ITA).

MotoAmerica at Laguna Seca, USA.

As part of the support programme for the WorldSBK race weekend at Laguna Seca (USA), the Superbike class of MotoAmerica (MA SBK) also held two races. BMW

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rider Danny Eslick (USA / Scheibe Racing) finished in sixth and eighth place in these two races.

SuperBike Series Brasil at São Paulo, Brazil.

The SuperBike Series Brasil (BRSBK) held its second race of the 2018 season at São Paulo (BRA). The best-placed BMW rider was Danilo Lewis (BRA / Tecfil Havoline Racing Team) in fourth. He missed out on the podium by less than a tenth of a second. Behind him were BMW riders Joelsu "Mitiko" (BRA / Picoloko/Suel Racing) and Rodrigo Dazzi (BRA / Zitto MotorSport) in fifth and sixth.

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