



# MEDIA RELEASE

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## Late charge puts Vips on Silverstone Pole

### Hitech Grand Prix racer P1 ahead of Armstrong and Daruvala

Jüri Vips' last lap scored the Hitech Grand Prix man his first F3 pole position, during an intense final few minutes of today's FIA Formula 3 Qualifying. No fewer than five drivers held first in the final 90 seconds of the session, but Vips came out on top ahead of PREMA duo Marcus Armstrong and Jehan Daruvala.

The Championship leaders were the ones to beat at the start of the session, with Armstrong and Daruvala comfortably lapping quickest early on. Vips and Max Fewtrell soon got up to speed and were able to usurp the in-form pair.

Armstrong was on the hunt for his second pole this season in as many rounds and reclaimed P1 as the cars began to feed back into the pit lane at the halfway stage. Liam Lawson nipped out ahead of everyone and pocketed P2 with the track to himself, but the Kiwi was pushed back down the order when the track filled up again.

Vips exchanged fastest laps with Niko Kari heading into the final minutes of the session, before Qualifying quickly heated up. Pedro Piquet stole P1 from the clutches of Vips with 90 seconds left on the clock, but was soon usurped by Robert Shwartzman and then Armstrong.

The Estonian had enough in the tank to return the favour and jumped back ahead to seal first, followed by Armstrong and Daruvala. Christian Lundgaard and Leonardo Pulcini completed the top five, ahead of Shwartzman, Lawson, Piquet, Fabio Scherer and Ye Yifei.

Vips will be aiming for his second win of the campaign in Race 1 tomorrow, at 9.25am local time.

### FIA Formula 3 Championship – Round 4 Qualifying classification

DRIVER	TEAM	LAPTIME	LAPS
1 Jüri Vips	Hitech Grand Prix	1:43.902	13
2 Marcus Armstrong	PREMA Racing	1:43.998	11
3 Jehan Daruvala	PREMA Racing	1:44.014	11
4 Christian Lundgaard	ART Grand Prix	1:44.073	12
5 Leonardo Pulcini	Hitech Grand Prix	1:44.139	12
6 Robert Shwartzman	PREMA Racing	1:44.218	11
7 Liam Lawson	MP Motorsport	1:44.360	12
8 Pedro Piquet	Trident	1:44.403	13
9 Fabio Scherer	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz	1:44.433	13
10 Ye Yifei	Hitech Grand Prix	1:44.461	12
11 Jake Hughes	HWA RACELAB	1:44.462	13
12 Niko Kari	Trident	1:44.476	14
13 David Beckmann	ART Grand Prix	1:44.581	12
14 Max Fewtrell	ART Grand Prix	1:44.584	12
15 Raoul Hyman	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz	1:44.647	12
16 Logan Sargeant	Carlin Buzz Racing	1:44.746	12
17 Lirim Zendeli	Sauber Junior Team by Charouz	1:44.756	13
18 Richard Verschoor	MP Motorsport	1:44.967	11
19 Sebastian Fernandez	Campos Racing	1:44.984	13
20 Felipe Drugovich	Carlin Buzz Racing	1:45.020	12
21 Alex Peroni	Campos Racing	1:45.088	13
22 Devlin DeFrancesco	Trident	1:45.109	13
23 Keyvan Andres	HWA RACELAB	1:45.110	13
24 Simo Laaksonen	MP Motorsport	1:45.142	12
25 Bent Viscaal	HWA RACELAB	1:45.229	14
26 Yuki Tsunoda	Jenzer Motorsport	1:45.301	13
27 Andreas Estner	Jenzer Motorsport	1:45.435	13
28 Teppei Natori	Carlin Buzz Racing	1:45.590	13
29 Federico Malvestiti	Jenzer Motorsport	1:46.103	13
30 Alessio Deledda	Campos Racing	1:47.068	13



**Juri Vips (Hitech Grand Prix)**



**2019 FIA Formula 3 - Round 4 - Qualifying Classification**

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