

Trujillo leads after great start to Europeans in Scarlino

Rafael Trujillo - photo Marina Prinzivalli

After a long wait for the wind to stabilise, race one got underway in 8-9 knots north-westerly. Several of the favourites started on the left but it was the right side that paid with Deniss Karpak (EST) leading the fleet round the top mark followed by Eduard Skornyakov (RUS) and Egor Terpigorev (RUS).

On the first downwind Vasilij Zbogar (SLO), who rounded in sixth, found some extra pace to move into the lead from Karpak. Zbogar then extended to the next two legs to win by around 40 seconds. Karpak crossed second with Skornyakov in third. Rafa Trujillo (ESP) was fourth.

Race two was similar except that the left side played nicely on the first leg. Unfortunately for some, many of the favourites had gone to the right again and it cost them dearly. The Turkish team were having a good day though with Alican Kaynar (TUR) and Akif Muslubas (TUR) rounding the top mark right behind a consistent Skornyakov. However the battle turned out to be between the next two: Bjorn Allansson (SWE) and Trujillo.





Windward mark action - photo Robert Deaves

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