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**ABARTH RALLY CUP: LATVIA WILL HOST THE RALLY LIEPĀJA**

* **Andrea Nucita, with Alina Pop take the win with Dariusz Polonski and Lukasz Sitek in second and Reinis Nitišs and Māris Kulšs in third.**
* **Nucita now leads the Abarth Rally Cup’s rank before Polonski**

The fast gravel roads of the Liepaja Rally were a true test for all three teams taking part this past weekend. Andrea Nucita, with co-driver Alina Pop took the top spot with Dariusz Polonski and Lukasz Sitek second, with Reinis Nitišs and Māris Kulšs coming in third.

This was the second race for the Abarth Rally Cup which is valid for the FIA ERC European Championship, the single-brand championship exclusively for Abarth 124s rally R-GT version. The incredibly demanding race of FIA ERC in Latvia was perfect for traditional rear wheel drive rally cars.

Nucita now leads the Abarth Rally Cup with a score of 37 points, against 33 points for Polonski. A very satisfied Andrea Nucita (team Bernini Rally) said “I’m very happy about this victory, it is very important for me and my championship. Thank you to the team for supporting me with a fantastic job”.

Darius Polonski (team Rally technology): It’s been a great weekend. I made some mistakes as the race was very difficult, for me it was a perfect lesson to look forward in the next races”.

Reinis Nitišs (team Milano Racing): “I’m satisfied, first of all because we didn’t damage the car, very fast and competitive. We have learned so much about driving the Abarth 124 rally, we really enjoyed ourselves in the long drifts”.

The next round of the Abarth Rally Cup will be the Polish Rally is scheduled to take place 28 to 30 June.

**Rank for the Abarth Rally Cup after the Liepaja Rally:** 1. Nucita (ITA) 37; 2. Polonski-Sitek (POL) 33; 3. Monarri-Chamorro (SPA) 25; 4. Garcia Perez-Diaz Negrin (SPA) 18; 5. Nitišs- Kulšs (LVA) 15.

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