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Top 5 result for Maximilian Günther at his home race of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship in Monaco



Maximilian Günther returned to the track of success at his home race at his new residence in Monaco and battled for a podium finish for most of the race. The seventh round of the ABB FIA Formula E World Championship season was held for the first time on the 3.318-kilometre street circuit in the Principality of Monaco, the same circuit as used by Formula 1, and produced spectacular racing action in front of a breathtaking backdrop. The BMW i Andretti Motorsport driver finished fifth after a hard-fought Monaco E-Prix and collected another ten points in the championship.

In qualifying, the German clocked a lap time of 1:31.817 minutes to take third place and move into Super Pole for the fourth time this season. In the final battle of the Top 6 drivers for pole position, he secured fifth spot on the grid (1:32.039).

At the start from the third row he kept his position and drove in the leading group. Meanwhile, the 23-year-old was in third place and temporarily set the fastest lap of the race. By an efficient driving style, he saved a surplus of energy for a final charge and went on the attack for a podium position. As he did so, he was hit by a competitor in the chicane and he was unable to make full use of his advantage. After 26 laps, he crossed the finish line in fifth place, narrowly missing out on a podium by about half a second.

Maximilian Günther is currently 16th in the drivers' standings with 22 points to his name. Formula E is taking a six-week break before returning to action on 19/20 June with another doubleheader in Puebla (Mexico).

Maximilian Günther: "What a mega race! It was so much fun to fight on the track and we were on course for the podium. It was a very tactical race and unfortunately it wasn't quite enough for a podium in the end. But I am happy with the result and we scored a lot of points again. Now we have to take the momentum with us and be among the front runners again in Mexico."

RESULT

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RACE: P5

2020/21 - ABB FIA Formula E World Championship (after 7 races)

Points: 22

Position: 16

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About Maximilian Günther

A dream came true! Maximilian Günther competes with BMW i Andretti Motorsport in the ABB FIA Formula E Championship 2019/20 and becomes factory driver of the Munich-based manufacturer. Since the fifth season, the German has been competing in the world's first all-electric FIA Championship for formula cars, which mostly takes place on street circuits at spectacular venues such as New York, Hong Kong, Paris, Rome and Berlin.

Maximilian Günther has worked as a test and development driver for Jay Penske's American team GEOX DRAGON since the beginning of 2018 and was significantly involved in the development of their Gen2 car. In the same year, the 21-year-old German took part in the FIA Formula 2 Championship, where he won the prestigious race at the Grand Prix of Great Britain.

In Season 5 of the ABB FIA Formula E championship, Maximilian Günther was the youngest regular driver in the history of the racing series at the age of 21 years. In Paris and Bern he finished in the top 5 after a strong pace and scored a total of 20 points in his rookie season. With this performance the German attracted attention and recommended himself for a BMW factory cockpit. In 2020, he scored two race wins and a second-place finish in his first year as a BMW works driver, once again making history as the youngest race winner in the history of Formula E.

Maximilian Günther began his motorsport career in various junior racing series. His greatest successes to date include the runner-up title in the FIA Formula 3 European Championship 2016, the win at the historic Formula 3 Grand Prix de Pau 2017 and the win in the FIA Formula 2 at the Grand Prix of Great Britain at Silverstone. In 2016 and 2017 Maximilian Günther was in working as DTM test and replacement driver and Formula 1 simulator driver for Mercedes. Two times he was named Germany's Motorsport Talent of the Year by the Deutsche Post Speed Academy and was also voted ADAC Junior Motorsportsman of the Year by a panel of experts in 2016.



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