

PRESS RELEASE no. 18 Main prize goes to Poland

The traditional Photo competition was announced at the occasion of the 47th Barum Czech Rally Zlín 2017. Prizes for the Photo competition were donated by companies FOKAPO, print of photo books and calendars, RALLY MODELS – Antonín Babík, JNK Studio Zlín – production and distribution of videotapes and company ALITRON CZ, s.r.o. gave an annual subscription of a specialized motor-sport magazine RALLY. While in 2015 all the prizes remained in the Czech Republic after the jury's verdict, for the past two years the winner from Poland and the third place goes to Hungary. Motor-sport photographer Marcin Rybak from Łódź, Poland, became for the second time an absolute winner.

The Auto-club Barum Zlín in cooperation with agency ZLIN PRESS production announced a Photo competition in a joint category for professional photographers and amateurs and that was digital photography. The expert jury was composed of Miloslav Regner (Clerk of Barum Czech Rally Zlín), Roman Ordelt (ZLIN PRESS production), Ing. Jan Regner (deputy of the Clerk of the Course) and 12 members of international jury awarded according to the regulations three financial bonuses and five more prizes.

'We were very pleased with the incredible interest; almost three hundred photographers send us nearly one thousand photos. It wasn't easy to choose the best ones from such a huge amount of great photos. This shows that the wave of popularity of our Photo competition goes past our borders. We were also satisfied with the quality of submitted photos and our international jury of many great figures of rally sport agreed with us,' Miloslav Regner said, chairman of jury and Clerk of Barum Czech Rally Zlín.

The international jury was made up by Victor Bellotto (France, co-driver and photographer), Pedro Branco (Portugal, officer), Torstein Eriksen (Norway co-drive), Joao F. Faria (Portugal, journalist), Anders Grondal (Norway, driver), Sven Kollus (Germany, photographer), Filip Mareš (Czech Republic, driver), Uroš Modlic (Slovenia, photographer), Gabriel Morales (Brazil, co-driver), Sanita Smitlin (Latvia, team manager), Tasos Tsiortas (Greece, officer) and Lucas Walbrecq (Belgium, team manager).

It's gratifying to see such positive response among motor-sport fans, which consequently pushes the quality of submitted photos. Total of 1028 photos by 265 authors were submitted to the Photo competition 2017. Aside from the three top prizes, jury awarded five more.

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY:

1st place Marcin Rybak, Poland
Łódź – 1 000 CZK

2nd place Tomáš Kaňa
Olomouc – 600 CZK

3rd place Gergely Makai, Hungary
Budapest – 400 CZK

Authors of recognized photos:

Marek Lokaj, Ostrava
Michal Žíla, Kroměříž
Marek Talaš, Napajedla
Tomáš Řehůřek, Zlín
Jiří Fišer, Nové Strašecí

We congratulate to all awarded authors and we are much looking forward to more great photos that would arrive for the new Photo competition for the 48th Barum Czech Rally Zlín 2018!

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