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## **Strong opening day for Frost at MRF Challenge curtain raiser round in Dubai**

**Dubai, UAE, Thursday, 15 November 2018** – It was a positive start for Singapore's Danial Nielsen Frost at the opening round of the 2018/19 MRF Challenge International Winter Series at the Dubai Autodrome. The first day of action saw the teenager take to the track with his number #68 racecar for the two practice sessions that were held on Thursday.

Using the sessions to reacquaint with the track, Frost's return to the 5.39km long FIA-sanctioned Grade 1 Dubai Autodrome saw the youngster make steady progress during the first mid-morning practice session. He ended the session eighth quickest with a time 2min 00.824sec. Going much quicker in the early evening second practice session, Frost was able to make significant improvements shaving off seven-tenths to come away with the third quickest time of the day with his best effort of 2min 00.115sec.

Commenting on his outing on the opening day, Frost notes, **"It always feels really good to be back behind the wheel of a racecar especially after spending quite a lot of time looking at all the data and studying the onboard videos. Even though we have raced here before, it was really important to use these practice session to get to grips again with this circuit with all its interesting and technical characteristics."**

He adds, **"The morning session was more about getting the feeling and finding the adjustments, so the times were not something we focused on too much. The afternoon session was where we could push and we are quite pleased with the pace. There were a lot of positives and so we will analyse the data to see where we can make the improvements especially for tomorrow's [Friday] all-important qualifying and the first two races."**

The opening round of the 2018/19 MRF Challenge International winter series at the Dubai Autodrome will see five races contested over the weekend. The action will continue with qualifying and the two races scheduled on Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> November with three more races to be held on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> November.

From Dubai, the second round in the series will head to the Formula 1-spec Bahrain International Circuit from 6 to 8 December. The season finale will take place at the Madras Motor Race Track in Chennai, India from 8 to 10 February 2019.

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### **2018/19 MRF Challenge Rd 1 – Dubai Autodrome – Danial Nielsen-Frost Results**

Session	Best Lap	Position
<b>Thursday, 15 November 2018</b>		
Practice Session 2	2:00.115s	<b>P3</b>
Practice Session 1	2:00.824s	<b>P8</b>

**2018 MRF Challenge info:** <http://www.mrfacing.in/racing/race-center/formula-2000>