

## SAILING Champions League successfully completes first day in St. Petersburg

St. Petersburg, 26. August 2016 – It was a successful first day of the SAILING Champions League in St. Petersburg (Act 1, August 26.-28.). In good weather 23 Clubs from 12 nations were battling hard but fair, pleasing both host and participants. After day one the Norddeutscher Regatta Verein (Germany) is leading the fleet, followed by the Berliner Yacht-Club (Germany) and the Regattaclub Bodensee (Switzerland). The regatta will continue tomorrow morning at 10 am.

For the third time in the history of sailing the SAILING Champions League is taking place. Everybody is keen on participating in this new, international Club competition. Today's first regatta day provided the sailors with good conditions successfully completing 14 races. The Norddeutscher Regatta Verein is in the lead after four consecutive wins.

"We were a bit lucky in the first four races to win four times in a row. In the fifth race we misread the wind, but still managed to lead the fleet after the first day and of course we are very happy about that", said Tobias Schadewaldt, helmsman of the Norddeutscher Regatta Verein.

Here in St. Petersburg 23 Clubs are fighting for one of 14 starting positions in the grand final in September in Porto Cervo. On Sardinia it's all about the silver bowl by Robbe & Berking and the title of Europe's best sail club.

The races will continue tomorrow at 10 am. All regattas including the results can be followed here: <u>https://scl2016.sapsailing.com</u>. Technology partners of SAILING Champions League, SAP und *SailTracks* will provide the necessary requirements to broadcast live on Saturday and Sunday from 12 am: <u>http://sailing-championsleague.com</u>

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