

## ***Deutscher Touring Yacht-Club from Germany Wins SAILING Champions League 2016***

**Porto Cervo/Italy, 25<sup>th</sup> September 2016 – The final of the SAILING Champions League (23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> September) in Porto Cervo challenged the 32 European clubs from 13 nations with light winds and choppy waves. After 34 races in total, the reigning German League Champions of Deutscher Touring Yacht-Club won the regatta at Yacht Club Costa Smeralda in Sardinia and were awarded with the Robbe & Berking Trophy for the “Best Sailing Club”. Swiss clubs, the Regattaclub Bodensee and the Regattaclub Oberhofen, took second and third place respectively.**

“It’s unbelievable what happened here. We were a bit lucky in these conditions but in the end it worked for us. Only a few people believed that we could do it. We can’t wait to go crazy and celebrate,” said a happy and relieved helmsman of the Deutscher Touring Yacht-Club, Max Weiss.

The constant light wind conditions may have been advantageous for the winners from Southern Germany and the Swiss who claimed the final two spots on the podium. The clubs around the Alps are used to sailing on Lakes with less than gusting winds, so this unusual wind for Sardinia in September suited them perfectly and their lower crew weights added to the advantage. Helmsman of Regattaclub Bodensee, Nicolas Anklin: “We are surprised how well we managed sailing on ‘this ocean’ but we are very happy to be up here.”

The Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) organized the SAILING Champions League Final for the second time and was once again pleased to welcome clubs from all over Europe. “This second edition of the SAILING Champions League in Porto Cervo has confirmed how popular the format is: fast, fun and technical races. The qualified teams are the best from each of their respective national leagues so the level of competition is naturally very high and we have noticed the standard is even higher than the first edition. I would like to thank all of the teams who travelled here from Scandinavia, from Russia and from all over Europe to race on our waters,” said Riccardo Bonadeo, Commodore of YCCS.

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