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Belgian Tadiotto surprises himself with victory

Trier, Germany - Failed in the Q-School in 2021 - now convincing winner of the Qualifying School II: Thanks to a strong second round (68), Giovanni Tadiotto prevailed in the qualifying event for the 2023 Pro Golf Tour season at the Golf Club Trier (-4). The Belgian thus leads the group of the ten lucky golfers who were able to earn their ticket for the coming year among 96 starters.

They came from 14 countries, their sporting careers are diverse - but they all had the same goal: the ticket for the Pro Golf Tour season 2023. 96 hopeful young golfers fought on 11 and 12 October at the perfectly prepared Golf-Club Trier in the last event of the year for the best places in next year's starting lists. Only the best ten were allowed to cheer about the full tour card (category 5) in the end - led by the Belgian Giovanni Tadiotto, who was able to distance the competition with an overall score of four under par in his second event on the Pro Golf Tour this year.

"It means a lot to me," said the 24-year-old from Anderlecht. "I only turned professional last year, so of course this victory is great and a first important step of very many to follow. I hope to play on the Challenge Tour and then on the DP World Tour at some point." Tadiotto knew that solid golf would get him to the finish line, he remained patient, always thinking about the next shot – and was a bit surprised by the sensational result. "The victory was even more than I thought."

The Qualifying School is endowed with 3,000 euros – but apart from the prize money, what counts most is medium-term career planning. The Pro Golf Tour has always been considered a springboard for young as well as aspiring golfers who want to move up to the highest European playing class as quickly as possible. "It's great to have a tournament plan for next year," said a delighted Rodi Vlasfeld from the Netherlands, who shares second place with Frenchman Matthieu Caron at three under par.

Also in the top ten: Christoph Kuttnigg at one under par in fourth place. The Austrian praised the perfect conditions on site at the Golf Club Trier. "The course was in super condition. They were the fastest greens this year - the greenkeepers did a top job." Winner Tadiotto added: "Everything was great here. It was a great pleasure to play here. A successful tournament all round." With amateur Yannick Köhnen (-1) and Simon Junk (par), two Germans also made it into the top ten.

Leaderboard: All results at a glance

The ticket for the Pro Golf Tour season allows the ten best players of the qualifying tournament in Trier to make the best possible plans for 2023. Places 11 to 30, who start the coming season in category 8, can also expect some starts on the Pro Golf Tour. All other players from the top 45 are guaranteed to start in category 10. Last week, Max Griesbeck from Germany won the first stop of the Q-School. With the second Q-School event, the Pro Golf Tour now finally says goodbye to the winter break. What remains is a successful season with 13 top-class tournaments in six countries and two qualifying events at the end.



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