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VICTORY 3 TAKES THE UIM XCAT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TITLE IN DUBAI

The 2017 UIM XCAT World Championship title eventually went to Salem al Adidi and Eisa al Ali (Boat 3), ahead of Team Australia of Brett Luhrmann and Pal Virik Nilsen (Boat 8) and the Abu Team of Rashed Al Tayer and Majed Al Mansoor finishing respectively on 2nd and 3rd place of the 2017 UIM XCAT World Championship.

Despite waves up to two meters in the water outside Palm Jumeirah, the 174 points of the Victory 3 duo were enough to see them increasing their lead at the top of the overall ranking. Team Australia felt the bitter taste of having lost the leadership and the title in one weekend, yet with the pride of having been able to fight and almost beat the team Victory who had won the XCAT titles five years in a row.

The new UIM XCAT World Champions had the honour to be joined on the podium by the UIM President, Dr. Raffaele Chiulli who was full of praise for the outcome of 2017 UIM XCAT season: "It has been an extraordinary season considering that we are in a transition year. I am extremely pleased to have witnessed onsite the great success of the UIM XCAT events held in China earlier this year and now in Dubai. The support of the local hosts from Dubai International Marine Sports Club and the UAE Marine Sports Federation as well as the professionalism of the Team of experts who delivered this spectacular Event have once again been decisive."



The 2017 UIM XCAT World Champions together with UIM President Dr. Raffaele