

The first round of the 2024 season for the Aruba Cloud MotoE team ends with a double Top 10 for Davies and Pontone in Race-1 at Portimao.

The first round of the 2024 season of the FIM Enel MotoE World Championship ended today in Portugal. It was an absolute debut for the Aruba Cloud MotoE team, Chaz Davies and Armando Pontone, who still managed to gain some points for the standings.

RACE -1

Friday's qualifying did not give particular satisfaction to Chaz Davies and Armando Pontone, who were forced to start from 16th and 17th position respectively. However, the two Aruba Cloud MotoE team riders are the protagonists in the race of a great comeback that allows both to finish ninth and tenth respectively. Chaz Davies' final laps are particularly incisive: the Welsh rider first overtakes his teammate and then goes on to take eighth position, which, however, he is unable to defend from Kevin Manfredi's attack right on the final straight

P9 Chaz Davies (Aruba Cloud MotoE #7)

"I can't say it was a great race but at the same time we have undoubtedly made great progress and that is our goal being at the beginning of a new category. We are making progress session after session and we need to continue in this direction."

P10 Armando Pontone (Aruba Cloud MotoE #80)

"I am quite satisfied with this result because the feeling is improving lap by lap. Too bad for the end of the race where I could have taken eighth place. The important thing, however, is to feel this constant growth."



RACE-2

Compared to Race-1, the two Aruba Cloud MotoE team riders fail to recover positions finishing fifteenth and sixteenth, respectively.

P15 Chaz Davies (Aruba Cloud MotoE #7)

"Compared to Race-1 I didn't find the conditions to ride at my best. The feeling with the bike got worse. I am a little disappointed because our potential is definitely better and we will try to make it grow in the next round."

P16 Armando Pontone (Aruba Cloud MotoE #80)

"I made a mistake in the first lap that made me lose my rhythm but at the same time in Race-2 I was able to improve my best lap. We need to keep working in this direction."