

PGA OF SLOVAKIA MAKE ITC HISTORY AT FONTANA

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The **PGA of Slovakia** have made history at Fontana in Austria after becoming the first team to take home the **International Team Championship (ITC) Sandy Jones Trophy** and the **International Team Shield** since the event started 34 years ago.

The ITC sees teams of three Professionals from across the CPG's Member Countries battle it out against each other, whilst the International Team Shield tournament recognises those PGAs with 100 Members or less – **Adam Puchmelter, Juraj Zvarik** and **Michal Brezovsky** from the PGA of Slovakia are the first PGA to secure this historic double after a score including a 62 and a hole-in-one.

"I think it's pretty special to be the first one to win both titles," said **Puchmelter** after receiving the **Sandy Jones Trophy** at the **CPG Annual Awards Supported By Rolex** that capped-off the CPG Learning & Performance Summit week.

"Fontana did a tremendous job to prepare the golf course and make it happen this week. It wasn't as windy as yesterday so we took that opportunity and executed it well...we did four days of practice in Slovakia before this so it was pretty worthwhile."

After the first round was abandoned due to high winds, team Slovakia got to work immediately with **Puchmelter** acting as leading man. Four birdies in his front nine were followed by four birdies and an incredible hole-in-one on Fontana's 15th hole (for which he received a Bushnell Wingman Bluetooth speaker) for a 62. Meanwhile Slovakia's second score came after **Zvarik** battled for a hugely solid level par 72 enabling the team to finish at -10 for the event.

Second place fell to the PGA of Holland Team of **Ralph Miller, Mark Reynolds** and **Ruben Wechgelaer** who were able to sneak under par to one-under courtesy of **Miller's** 71 for the day.

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2023 CPG International Team Championship (ITC) and International Team Shield Winners, PGA of Slovakia – Michal Brezovsky, Adam Puchmelter and Juraj Zvarik (L to R)

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NOTES TO EDITORS:

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