



Press release

**Marcel Seidel Auctions**

## **Spring auction with theme of past racing legends**

- **two days of auctions from 03 to 04 May 2019**
- **The event is being held at the Dr. Carl Benz Museum, Ladenburg**
- **Wilhelm Herz collection will excite motorbike fans**
- **Many individual items from motor racing history**
- **Rare items from the Italian sports car manufacturer Cisitalia**

**Ladenburg** During the coming Automobilia spring auction in Ladenburg, the unique collection owned by someone who is probably the greatest and most successful pre- and post-war motorbike racer is on offer. Wilhelm Herz, possibly more than anyone else, dedicated a large part of his life to motorsport. Now numerous trophies, photo albums, crash helmets and remembrances from his active times are up for auction.

Further rarities on the theme of racing sport are also available. These include drawings and calculations from Josef Kales (Porsche engineer) and the Mercedes Benz record-breaking T80 car in addition to winner's trophies from Hans Herrmann. An example is the winner's trophy awarded during the airport race in Innsbruck to the Porsche Type 804 (Formula II). There is a particular treat for enthusiasts of the Stuttgart sports car manufacturer: a large number of previously unpublished Porsche motorsport documentation is now available.

Italian sports car fans can look forward to numerous documents from Piero Dusio's estate covering the Cisitalia company foundation. These rare documents from the company founder's estate give insights into the history of the legendary sports car manufacturer.

Auction items from Berlin body maker Erdmann & Rossi also provide rare documentation with historical value. More than 12 office files contain the documents, orders and design descriptions from the war years between 1939 and 1945, a period during which the company had to follow the Hitler regime.

As in previous years, the spring auction will again contain spare parts, automotive memorabilia rarities, sales documents and posters. Around 4000 lots will be under the hammer during the two-day auction between 3 and 4 May 2019. The catalogue can be viewed online as from now, or can be ordered as a bound edition.

The catalogue is online at:  
[www.automobilia-ladenburg.de](http://www.automobilia-ladenburg.de)

Catalogue orders will be accepted as from now:

[info@automobilia-ladenburg.de](mailto:info@automobilia-ladenburg.de)  
Tel.: 0049(0)6203957776  
Mobile: 0049(0)15233772573

The hardcover catalogue costs €25 including postage.