



## The championship re-starts in Imola

## 44 F4 and Formula Regional drivers back on track after the Summer break

Rome, 29th August 2019 – Italian Formula 4 Championship powered by Abarth and Formula Regional European Championship certified by FIA rr-start in Imola. From August 30<sup>th</sup> to September 1<sup>st</sup> the Autodromo Enzo e Dino Ferrari will be the scenario of the two championships comeback after the Summer break.

44 drivers will face each other on the challenging twists and turns of the 4.909 m track in the hills of Romagna. The two championships, which represent important and challenging transitions in the FIA ideal route from karting to Formula 1, come back in Italy after a great show on European tracks. Drivers and teams are determined to start at best this last two months of races before the final winners will be crowned.

All the rankings are still open; the first edition of the Formula Regional European Championship certified by FIA, sees vigorously the rise of Prema Powerteam, with the Danish driver Vesti strongly claiming his first place, but with 25 points to give per each race and 4 races to go only this weekend, the competition is not over yet at all. The internal battle is with Vesti's teammate, Enzo Fittipaldi, currently second, followed by the German David Schumacher (US Racing) and the e-Sport FIA world champion Igor Fraga (DR Formula by RP Motorsport). Van Amersfoort Racing is represented in this series by Sophia Floersch, the young German driver who showed a surprisingly strong determination and, until now, brought home constantly growing performances during the whole championship.

Everything still to be defined also in the Italian F4 Championship powered by Abarth, where only 4 points are dividing the current leader, Gianluca Petecof (Prema Powerteam), from the unstoppable Dennis Hauger (Van Amersfoort Racing). Same situation also in the team's battle, with the Italian heading the rankings only with a 3 points gap. As usual, Prema Powerteam and Van Amersfoort Racing are competing with 4 drivers each, but this time the Dutch team is deploying the German Sebastian Estner instead of Niklas Kruetten.

Ready to go, then, with the engines starting from 9.00 on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August with the first free session of a long and exciting weekend, with 4 races to perform in each championship in order to recover the ones postponed for drivers' safety reasons during adverse weather conditions.

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