## MUGELLO CIRCUIT HOSTS THE FIFTH ROUND OF THE FORMULA REGIONAL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP BY ALPINE

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The **Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine** lands in Italy this weekend on the winding asphalt ribbons of the **Mugello Circuit**, setting the stage for the fifth double event of the season. The undulating Tuscan landscape will provide the perfect backdrop for over 30 single-seaters ready to put on a show for the series enthusiasts, who can witness a new chapter in a season where the battle for the title is more alive than ever.



Budapest (HUN), June 20-23, 2024 – FRECA Round 4 at Hungaroring, Budapest, Hungary. Rafael CAMARA #05, Prema Racing. © 2024 Dutch Photo Agency.

The two contenders of the moment are the Ferrari Driver Academy's **Rafael Camara** and **Tuukka Taponen**. The former, racing for the **Prema Racing** team, boasts 159 points with four victories and three podiums. The Finnish driver, on the other hand, at the wheel of an **R-ace GP** single-seater, has 113 points thanks to a win in the Netherlands and a recent double win at the Hungaroring. Also worth keeping an eye on is the Venetian driver **Brando Badoer (Van Amersfoort Racing)**, who arrives in Tuscany with a strong streak of consecutive results, having finished second in the last three races.

Simultaneously, another standout this season is Williams Academy driver **Alessandro Giusti**, in his second year in the series, showcasing his skills with ART Grand Prix. Giusti climbed the podium twice during the Zandvoort round, followed by a recent fourth place in the first Hungarian race. The French driver currently holds fourth place in the standings, ahead of his compatriot and teammate **Evan Giltaire**. The latter had a strong start to the season, winning Race 2 at Hockenheim and achieving other useful results, currently placing him fifth overall ahead of **James Wharton** (Prema Racing) and securing the top spot in the rookie standings.



Zandvoort (NED), JUN 7-9 2024 – Round three of the Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine at Circuit Zandvoort. Alessandro GIUSTI #10, ART Grand Prix. © 2024 Dutch Photo Agency.

In this category, **RPM** driver **Noah Strømsted** is looking for redemption after a point-less previous round in Hungary. However, he continues to hold second place in the class and sixth in the overall standings, ahead of other rookies **Ivan Domingues** (Van Amersfoort Racing), **Enzo Deligny** (R-ace GP), and **Pedro Clerot** (Van Amersfoort Racing), who complete the championship's top 10.

The Italian weekend programme will begin on Thursday with Pre-event Collective Tests lasting 2 hours at 09:00 and 14:05. Friday will see the 50-minute Collective Test at 09:50 and 13:40, while the first qualifying session is scheduled for Saturday at 08:30, with the first race at 14:00. On Sunday, the second official session will be at 08:30 and the final race at 14:05. As usual, both qualifying and races will be broadcast live on the championship's official YouTube channel.