

PRESS RELEASE

FORMULA ZERO TO BE SUPPORT CATEGORY AT A1GP BRANDS HATCH

LONDON, 6 March 2009 – At a press conference in London’s Living Room the zero emission race series, Formula Zero, announced that its next championship round will take place at the go-kart circuit of Brands Hatch, alongside the motorsport circuit. Six top university teams designed and built their own hydrogen electric vehicle, that will race as a support category at the A1GP World Cup of Motorsport event A1GP Brands Hatch, Great Britain on 1 – 3 May.

This will be Formula Zero’s second championship round after the world premiere in Rotterdam, the Netherlands in August 2008. The university teams from the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Belgium, Spain and the United States battled for position zero, which is the same as winning in the world’s first zero emission race series that is using hydrogen and fuel cells. Spanish EuplatechH2 won the sprint race, while the Dutch Greenchoice-Forze was the best team during the main race. In terms of championship standings; Greenchoice-Forze is closely followed by Solvay Umicore Zero Emission Racing Team from Leuven, Belgium.

“We are really excited to bring the Formula Zero Championship to the UK, a country with an amazing history in motorsport. Even though the current recession is painful for the automotive industry, innovations that are necessary for sustainable mobility are supported in major EU and US stimulus packages. So the motorsport industry is also at the beginning of one of the most dramatic changes in its history yet,” says Formula Zero’s Managing Director, Godert van Hardenbroek.

About Formula Zero

Formula Zero was founded in 2003 and promotes well to wheel zero emission technology through motorsport. Formula Zero is a new zero-emission race class for cutting edge open single seaters. Zero emission racing is the perfect platform for researching and marketing the advanced propulsion technologies of this century such as fuel cells and batteries. Formula Zero appeals to a new generation of race fans by promising unexpected technological innovations, racing on challenging locations, zero emissions and a futuristic sound. This race class will scale-up to full-size racing cars, as commercial interest and the technology are developing at a rapid pace. One rule stands; all cars will produce zero emissions.

About A1GP World Cup of Motorsport

Pitting nation against nation in the World Cup of Motorsport, A1GP unites countries in a competition where human bravery, skill and excellence determine victory. Racing identical single-seat cars, the deliberately equalised technology allows countries as diverse as the USA, Lebanon, France, China and South Africa to compete on a level playing field. With three days of on-track action, an A1GP event offers a rare opportunity for fans to interact with teams and drivers. Exclusively inclusive, A1GP brings the thrill of international motorsport to billions of fans across the globe. Now in its fourth season, A1GP takes in a mix of established world-famous venues plus exciting new state-of-the-art facilities, delivering high-speed adrenalin fuelled action at every turn.

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