



Press Release

ANFIA AND FORMULA SAE ITALY AT MECSPE: AN IMPORTANT HALFWAY POINT ON THE WAY TO THE OFFICIAL EVENT IN JULY, FOCALIZING ON TRAINING AND ON DIALOGUE BETWEEN TEAMS AND COMPANIES

Turin, April 2nd 2019 - Last March 30th closed the experience for Formula SAE Italy (FSAE Italy) at MECSPE (Fiere di Parma, 28-30/03), the meeting point between technologies to produce and industrial supply chains, thanks to the synergy among the 12 fairs which happen at the same time.

The three days in Parma represented an important halfway point on the way to the official event scheduled on July from 24th to 28th at "Riccardo Paletti" racetrack in Varano de' Melegari, when Formula SAE Italy (www.formula-ata.it/) will welcome 100 universities teams from all over the world (33 with an electric car, 52 with a combustion car, 10 with a driverless car and 5 for class 3, with the project only, without car) which challenge each others in the designing and in the realization of a racing prototype.

The ANFIA-Formula SAE stand during the exhibition hosted three FSAE Italian teams and their cars: **UniPR Racing Team of the University of Parma** with their combustion car, **Squadra Corse PoliTo of the Polytechnic University of Torino** with their electric car, both of them will be part of the official event in July - and **MoRe Modena Racing team of the University Modena e Reggio Emilia** with their combustion car.

The ANFIA-Formula SAE stand also included a space dedicated to **Dallara** - one of the historical sponsors of the event together with **FCA** - which hosted a FIA Formula 2 (F2) car and organized few conferences in the neighboring workshop area.

"The participation of FSAE Italy at MECSPE gave to the teams the chance to get in contact with some potential sponsors, to explain to the innovation technologies used to build the cars and it gave to ANFIA the chance to let the exhibition learn about this event which stands out the designing abilities but also the management and the team working of the young automotive engineering - says Gianmarco Giorda, Director of ANFIA. MECSPE experience contributes to put in contact two world which are still pretty distance but connected, like the University's world and the companies one".

On March 29th, at the stand, have been held two training sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, dedicated to the Italian teams participating in the upcoming event called: "The new Cost Event based on the German model: fundamentals, contents and FSG methods: guidelines for a successful job", with the goal to explain to the students the new Cost Event

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format - one of the three static events of FSAE Italy, which starting from this year will follow the FSG (Formula Student Germany) model. Both sessions, in English, coordinated by **Carlo Giorgioni, Head of Cost Event Judges di Formula SAE Italy**, have been followed by 32 students representing 9 Italian teams (on the 19th participating in the 2019 event).

Coming soon, the sessions will be uploaded on the channel of the event (www.youtube.com/channel/UCs4_AZpgOWjuODLTNjE3ZHg), in order to reach also all the teams which were not able to take part in it.

On March 30th, has been held another training event, dedicated to the new technical inspectors coordinated for the mechanical inspections by **Silvio La Tassa, Head of Mechanical Inspections di FSAE Italy**, and for the electrical ones by **Francesco Laviola, Head of Formula Electric Italy**. 16 new inspectors, for the 2019 edition of Formula SAE, could practice directly on the cars hosted at the stand.

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