



ART GRAND PRIX HITS THE TRACK IN KARTING

ART Grand Prix is proud to announce its debut in karting as a chassis manufacturer. The first chassis, codenamed TS-01, has been recently homologated and will soon be available for all the CIK-FIA categories, including mini-kart, through the official dealers. A brand-new workgroup and a specifically dedicated headquarter located close to the Lonato circuit (Brescia, Italy) have been established.

The karting project is born around the strong partnership that Nicolas Todt and Armando Filini have established over the years, confirmed by the successful transition of two young talents of Karting (current Scuderia Ferrari F1 test driver Jules Bianchi and GP3 racer Aaro Vainio) directly from Filini's hands to Todt's management.

The goal of ART Grand Prix is to provide drivers and customers with a top-quality product and assistance, both on-track and on the commercial market. The organization will field an own Factory Team and selected Official Teams which will take part in the international karting events for KF and KZ. ART Grand Prix will try to apply to his Factory Team the same organisational approach already implemented in its successful campaigns in single-seaters, by providing a full range of services to its drivers in addition to the on-track activity.

ART Grand Prix's intent is also to develop the careers of young talented drivers from karts to open-wheel championships, with the aim to grant to the most promising and talented ones the opportunity to test in a single-seater car. Indeed, thanks to its own karting department, ART Grand Prix adds a ladder which already includes Formula Renault, GP3 and GP2 championships.

Nicolas Todt (co-owner):

"I am really proud to add another milestone in the development of the ART Grand Prix company. The Karting panorama has always been an ultimate breeding ground, where all the greatest drivers made their first steps. For our company, the decision to join such a valuable environment makes a lot of sense and has synergies with our existing activities. Having Armando Filini on board from day one is a great asset and should enable us to accelerate our learning curve. We are facing this challenge with a lot of humility, enthusiasm and determination. As a drivers' manager, being involved in kart racing will give the chance to get in touch with the most promising drivers early in their career, with the aim to properly prepare them for their future steps."

Armando Filini (Karting Team Manager):

"I am thrilled to join such a successful company like ART Grand Prix. We will be facing this challenge with the same dedication and professionalism that ART Grand Prix has showed in all the categories it entered. In my karting career, my goal has always been to help young drivers to prepare themselves for their next step in open-wheel racing. I strongly think that this brand-new project will definitely provide them with a significant support. We are working hard to reach strong results."