

PERFECT WEEKEND FOR TUUKKA TAPONEN SECOND POLE POSITION AT THE HUNGARORING IN THE FORMULA REGIONAL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP BY ALPINE

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It's been a perfect weekend so far for **Tuukka Taponen** at the **Hungaroring**, where the Ferrari Driver Academy driver is dominating the fourth round of the **Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine**. The Finn confirmed his form in today's qualifying, setting the fastest lap once again with a time of 1'39"620, securing another pole position following his impressive victory yesterday. **Brando Badoer (Van Amersfoort Racing)** provided stiff competition, showcasing excellent pace in Hungary as well, where he secured second place in the first race yesterday. The Italian driver also excelled in this session, securing the second-best time at the last moment, ahead of Red Bull Academy's **Enzo Deligny (R-ace GP)**, who placed third. **James Wharton (Prema Racing)** and **Matteo De Palo (Sainteloc Racing)** followed. It was a strong qualifying for the Italian driver, who held top positions early on and will start from ninth this afternoon.





Budapest (HUN), June 20-23, 2024 – FRECA Round 4 at Hungaroring, Budapest, Hungary. Rafael CAMARA #05, Prema Racing.
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Group A also saw plenty of action on track, with a spotlight on Prema Racing's **Rafael Camara** and **Ugo Ugochukwu**. Ugochukwu initially led in his McLaren-liveried car but eventually had to concede to Camara, who clocked the fastest time, just 0.06 seconds off Taponen's, and will share the front row. **Alessandro Giusti (ART Grand Prix)** also impressed, finishing third and set to start sixth alongside Deligny. **Pedro Clerot** (Van Amersfoort Racing) was the fastest rookie in this group, achieving the fourth-best time ahead of the top rookie class leader, **Evan Giltarie** (ART Grand Prix).

Attention now turns to the weekend's final race, scheduled for 15:50 this afternoon, which will be broadcast live on the championship's official [YouTube](#) channel.

Tuukka Taponen (R-ace GP):

"Honestly, I didn't expect this result. We had good speed and I managed to put everything together for what turned out to be a great lap. The car has reached an excellent level this weekend. I'm really happy to have the chance to start from pole position again."

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