

ROMAN BILINSKI SECURES HIS FIRST POLE POSITION IN THE FORMULA REGIONAL EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP BY ALPINE AT SPA FRANCORCHAMPS

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The **Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine** reached the peak of the **Spa Francorchamps** weekend this morning during the first official session, which took place on a wet track.

A spectacular and tightly contested qualifying session, true to the tradition of the international championship, saw **Roman Bilinski** rise to the top in Group B, celebrating his first pole position in the championship.

The **Trident** team driver recorded the best performance of the morning after a red flag caused by **James Wharton (Prema Racing)** going off track at Raidillon, fortunately without consequences for the driver. Returning to the track with slick tires as it gradually dried, the Anglo-Polish driver set the best time of 2'22"533.

Enzo Peugeot also put on a show on the track, being the fastest in Group A. It was a remarkable performance for the young rookie of the **Sainteloc Racing** team, who will start from the front row in this afternoon's race.





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In the second row, starting from third on the grid, will be **Noah Strømsted**, who impressed in his group (Group B) with a good pace that saw him battle at the top of the timesheets for most of the session. Alongside the **RPM** team driver will be **Alessandro Giusti (ART Grand Prix)**, also among the top performers in Group A. In the third row, ready to start, is **Zachary David (R-ace GP)**, who will be next to **Rafael Camara** (Prema Racing), the current championship leader who will start from sixth on the grid.

Matteo De Palo (Sainteloc Racing) and **Ivan Domingues (Van Amersfoort Racing)** also delivered convincing performances, both securing the fourth-best time in their groups, which will place them in seventh and eighth positions respectively. The top ten grid positions are completed by **Brando Badoer** (Van Amersfoort Racing) and **Nikhil Bohra** (MP Motorsport).

Roman Bilinski (Trident)

"I am really happy, the track conditions were very difficult, shifting from wet to dry. We took the risk of using slicks and this choice paid off on the last lap. It wasn't easy because we returned to the track after the red flag with only one lap available and at that moment I was tenth. With dry tires, I couldn't afford any mistakes, I gave it my all and we succeeded. I have to thank the entire Trident team immensely for working hard to provide me with a perfect car. Being on pole is an incredible feeling."

Enzo Peugeot (Sainteloc Racing)

"For me, it will be the first time starting from the front row in FRECA. I am not particularly worried because we have shown to have good pace since yesterday, both in the wet and dry. In qualifying, I tried to improve lap by lap, and in the end, we managed to take the lead. I would love to fight for the win, but I know it won't be easy because here at Spa there will surely be overtakes, but it would be nice to reach the podium."

Now all attention is focused on Race 1 scheduled for 15:45, which will be live on the official [YouTube](#) channel of the championship.

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