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Significant step forward to further reinforce Safety

We are pleased to inform you today that the UIM has reallocated the status of 'titled events' to the F2, F4 and F500 races to be held Italy in 2016.

Following a constructive meeting between the UIM President Raffaele Chiulli and FIM President Vincenzo Iaconianni, in presence of the UIM Secretary General Thomas Kurth and the Head of UIM President Office Riccardo La Cognata, an agreement was reached, whereas the forthcoming UIM titled events in the categories F2, F4 and F500 to be held in Italy would be official UIM test events for the use of the HANS device and other authorized head and neck restraint devices.

The FIM will arrange for all required equipment, materials, facilities and personnel to be available on-site, to allow participating drivers the possibility to perform extensive testing of the various devices considered by the UIM regulations under guidance of expert professionals. This initiative represents another important step forward in the untiring efforts of the UIM and the FIM to reinforce the Safety of the drivers, and the UIM highly appreciates that the FIM President will supervise the related operations in person.