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Gabriel Bortoleto joins forces with R-ace GP for 2022 Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine

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Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine continues to arouse interest by new drivers and those who competed last year.

One of these is **Gabriel Bortoleto**, who has recently confirmed his participation for **R-ace GP**. The 17-year-old Brazilian racer last year secured the second step of the podium at Red Bull Ring round and collected more useful results in order to take the 15th place in the overall standings and the fifth in the Rookies ranking.

Bortoleto began karting before graduating to the Italian F4 Championship by Abarth in 2020 claiming fifth overall and scoring one victory at Mugello.

Gabriel Bortoleto

"The R-ace GP is one of the top team in FRECA. Nobody has any doubts that having the opportunity to be their driver is amazing! Their performance in 2021 was great... They were team champions, and throughout the season they had their car always in the Championship top 5! We did 4 days of pre-season practice, and I felt great with the whole team and the car. I can't wait for the season start to put everything I've learned into practice and make 2022 an unforgettable year!"

Thibaut De Merindol - Team Principal R-ace GP

"I follow Gabriel's performances since 2019 at the time he was racing Karting but we never had the chance to collaborate with him to date. At the end of 2020, after his strong second half season in Italian F4, we already have been in contact to consider the 2021 FRECA together but unfortunately we were off timing to make it work. Finally, Gabriel will be a R-ace GP driver in the FRECA 2022 and we are very much looking forward to it. During our winter testing at Red Bull Ring and at Mugello, Gabriel was able to confirm what we thought about his speed but beyond his performances on track, we were also very pleased with his sportsmanship and with his integration within the team. We are convinced that we share the same values of competitiveness and of team spirit. I strongly believe on our collaboration with Gabriel and we aim to fight for victories and for the title."



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