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# Rafael Camara secures thrilling pole position at Monza in Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine

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Prema Racing's **Rafael Camara** delivered a remarkable performance this morning, storming to an electrifying pole position during the **Formula Regional European Championship by Alpine** qualifying session at **Monza**. Camara posted the fastest lap time in the closing moments of the Group B session, achieving his third pole and matching his teammate, as well as the championship leader, **Andrea Kimi Antonelli**.

The Brazilian driver displayed his dominance by setting a blistering pace, clocking in just over one tenth faster than his closest rival, **Marcus Amand** of **ART Grand Prix**, who secured a spot on the front row due to his Group A lead.

This marks the best-ever qualifying result for the French driver in the series, who skillfully managed to overtake Antonelli himself, who will start on the second row alongside **Alessandro Giusti** in the first heat of this afternoon. The representative of the **G4 Racing** team continues to build on the good performances shown last weekend at the Red Bull Ring, where he secured his second win of the season and his second pole position.

**Michael Belov** also stood out, showcasing his comfort in the temple of speed, where he secured a silver medal last year. The G4 Racing team's representative, after battling for pole position with Camara, secured the third row, shared with the German driver **Tim Tramnitz (R-ace GP)**, who will start from the sixth spot on the grid.

**Owen Tangavelou** of **Trident Motorsport** secured the seventh position in the combined grid, while **RPM's Maceo Capietto** will start eighth alongside his compatriot. **MP Motorsport's Victor Bernier** and **Sami Meguetounif** completed the top-10.

Rafael Camara expressed his satisfaction with his performance, stating, "*It was a good quali. Especially in Monza, where it's quite tricky to get a lap, cause everyone is trying to look for the slipstream. It was a bit of a mess in the end, but we managed well to be in the right position. I think also the Team did a really good job, the car was very good. Everything was perfect, I'm happy about this quali*".

The first race of the weekend is scheduled to commence at 3.45 pm (30 minutes plus 1 lap), with live streaming available on the official YouTube page of the series (links can be found at [formularegionaleubyalpine.com](http://formularegionaleubyalpine.com)).



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