



# Tio Ellinas to test with Strakka Racing at first FIA WEC Rookie Test

*World Series by Renault front runner Tio Ellinas will join Lewis Williamson at the official FIA WEC Rookie Test next month in Bahrain.*

Ellinas, who finished fourth in this year's Formula Renault 3.5 championship with two wins driving for Strakka Racing, was awarded the test for being the top scorer in the team's single seater squad. "Strakka Racing offers aspiring drivers opportunities to progress careers in both single seaters and sportscars," says team principal Dan Walmsley. "Tio was Strakka's top points scorer in WSR and we wanted to provide an opportunity for him to try the WEC car. We know that Tio is one of the fastest drivers in any category and it will be interesting to see how he gets on in a P2."

"I joined Strakka this season because I could see opportunities beyond a simple race seat," says Ellinas. "Strakka has always said that it offers its drivers chances and support not available at every team and it has again delivered with this test. I'm looking forward to driving the Gibson and enjoying the experience."

Tio Ellinas joins Strakka Performance driver Lewis Williamson at the one-day test at Bahrain on the 22nd November.

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## **About Strakka Racing**

From early domestic campaigns with BMWs and Aston Martins, Strakka Racing has evolved to become one of the most respected and successful privateer teams in the World Endurance Championship. In 2010 the Silverstone-based team achieved a class win, five circuit records and fifth overall in the iconic Le Mans 24 Hours. In 2013, it secured a second Le Mans win in the LMP1 Privateers' class. Ever developing, in 2013 Strakka Racing entered the Formula Renault 3.5 World Series single-seater championship, regarded as one of the best training grounds for F1. In 2015 Strakka Racing is competing in the FIA World Endurance Championship in a Gibson 015S together with a two car campaign in World Series by Renault.

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