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FIM launches the FIM E-Power International Championship

Concerned about the preparation for the future of motorcycle sport and in order to promote Alternative Energies, the FIM is pleased to announce the launch of its new Electric Motorcycles Championship: the FIM e-Power International Championship. The events will be held during the opening race of a few rounds of our prestigious championships as of 2010.



Vito Ippolito, FIM President stated: "The FIM, as the governing body of motorcycle sport, must take into account current environmental problems. This is why, in the framework of our agreement with the United Nations Environmental Programme, we put in place every year initiatives aimed at making the motorcycle world aware and reminding us of our duties towards our planet. With the same goal and in order to promote new energies, the FIM is pleased about and proud of the creation of the FIM e-Power International Championship that will be managed by the Road Racing Commission (CCR). We hope to gather many teams around this project in preparation for the future of our sport."

Claude Danis, Road Racing Commission President added: "The CCR is enthusiastic to support this new championship. We have already seen the interest of the organisers, who like us, are concerned about environmental issues and who want to be involved in competitions using new energy for the benefit of the motorcycle racing of tomorrow. Details on the organisation of this championship will be announced in the coming weeks and other dates should be added to the 2010 provisional calendar."

The provisional 2010 FIM e-Power International Championship calendar is the following:

Date	Place	Country
18 April	Le Mans (Opening race of the Le Mans 24hours)	France
Date to be confirmed	Albacete (Opening race of the Albacete 8hours)	Spain
12 September	Nevers-Magny Cours (Opening race of the Bol d'Or)	France
14 November*	Doha (Opening race of the Doha 8 hours)	Qatar

* To be confirmed

All riders, teams, organisers and National Motorcycle Federations interested in the FIM-e-Power International Championship are invited to contact:

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About FIM

FIM (WWW.FIM-LIVE.COM), the world governing body for motorcycle sport, is an independent association formed by 98 National Federations throughout the world. It is recognized as the sole competent authority in motorcycle sport by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Amongst its 49 FIM World Championships its main events are MotoGP, Superbike, Endurance, Motocross, Supercross, Trial, Enduro and Speedway. FIM also deals with non-sporting matters such as leisure motorcycling, mobility, transport, road safety and public policy and the environment, FIM was the first International sporting Federation to enforce an Environmental Code in 1994.

