



Brando Badoer at the start with Van Amersfoort Racing The Italian driver follows in his father's footsteps towards F1, starting with the Italian F.4!

Rome, April 14th, 2022 – **Van Amersfoort Racing** has made official the signing of **Brando Badoer**. The fifteen-year-old driver from Montebelluna will race for the Dutch team in the **Italian F.4 Championship**. As the son of a former **Formula 1** driver, the single-seater career has always been in his future: after the usual path in karting, started at an early age and successfully carried on with in the various national and international WSK series in which he took part, the next step has come with formula cars.

His first racing experience at the beginning of this year, in the F4 UAE series, in which he got to know the new **Tatuus**, the second generation of F4 cars. Before that, even the invitation to the **Supercorso Federale**, the stage on track that involves young talented drivers to evaluate their skills and support them in the transition to F4. On this occasion, his skills on track did not go unnoticed by the Instructors of **Scuola Federale ACI Sport**, positively impressed by his performance.

Currently, the driver is working with the team in preparation for the season's start at **Imola**, both with pre-season tests and in the VAR operations center. **Brando Badoer** is certainly thrilled to start his journey in the **Italian F.4 Championship certified by FIA**: *"The step from karting to F4 is a big one, but I feel more than ready. We are currently putting all our focus and energy in preparing for the season. In addition to pre-season testing on-track, I spend most of my time with my engineers at VAR's headquarters in the Netherlands, where I do extensive sim work to familiarise myself with the tracks we'll race on. VAR has given me a warm welcome and it's impressive to see the level of dedication they put in supporting me and my career! I am extremely excited to get racing soon!"*

The **CEO of Van Amersfoort Racing, Rob Niessink**, is equally positive about the partnership with the young driver: *"We are extremely pleased to have Brando on board. It is clearly noticeable that he comes from a race environment and despite his young age, he understands very well what it takes to grow as a race driver. His experience with the new generation F4 car is obviously beneficial, not only for himself, but for the team as well. In the run-up to the start of the championship, Brando spends a lot of his time with us to fully prepare for what will be a challenging season. As always, we put all our experience and dedication to use to support him in this ever so important stage of his racing career."*



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