The Fédération Internationale de l’Automobile (FIA) was founded in 1904. It is the governing body for world motor sport and the federation of the world’s leading motoring organisations. It brings together 227 national motoring and sporting organisations from 138 countries on five continents.

On the 11th December 2009, the World Motor Sport Council, presided over by the President of the FIA Jean Todt, approved the project to create a “Women in Motorsport Commission” (WIMC).

Since its creation, the WIMC has received much support from motor sport’s National Sporting Authorities (ASNs) and across the motor sport industry.

The FIA’s membership around the world comprises both men and women; each has an identical part to play in sport.

Jean Todt, FIA President
The Women in Motorsport Commission Members are elected every year and meet four times a year, in Geneva or Paris. The 2018 Commission is composed of 30 members.

- President
  - Michèle Mouton
- Vice-President
  - Randa Nabulsi
- FIA Commission Manager
  - Frédérique Trouvé
- 19 ASN representatives
  - Beyza Avcioglu (TUR)
  - Henny Hemmes (NLD)
  - Carina Moller (DNK)
  - Gudny Jona Gudmarsdottir (ISL)
  - Carmen Jorda (ESP)
  - Marta Barbosa (PRT)
  - Sara Williams (CAN)
  - Geoffroy Theunis (BEL)
  - Susanne Kottulinsky (SWE)
  - Tiina Lehmonen (FIN)
  - Martí Zubai (HUN)
  - Aleksandra Knyszewska (POL)
  - Natalia Freidina (RUS)
  - Karin Hamer (AUS)
  - Vicki O’Connor (USA)
  - Keiko Ihara (JPN)
  - Aseel Al Hamad (SAU)
  - Navaz Sandhu (IND)
  - Fabiana Ecclestone (BRA)
- Drivers’ representative
  - Tatiana Calderón
- Detection Cell Managers
  - Jutta Kleinschmidt (Rally)
  - Cathy Muller Ehrlicher (Racing)
- Teams’ representative
  - Claire Williams
- Engineers representative
  - Leena Gade
- Officials’ representative
  - Silvia Bellot
- Manufacturers’ representative
  - Jaime Puig
- Motorised sports representative
  - Anne-Laure Rey
- PR, Communication manager
  - Hayley Gallagher

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- First woman to win a round of the FIA World Rally Championship
- World Rally Vice-Champion in 1982
- Winner of four World Championship rallies
- Earned respect in a man’s world not only for her driving, but also for her personality and passion
- Safety delegate for the FIA World Rally Championship FIA Rally Safety Coordinator
- First female member of the World Motor Sport Council
- Member of the IOC Women In Sport Commission

"There are already a number of highly successful women working in our sport, but we also need to invest in the future and encourage the younger generation to view it as a world of equal opportunities."

\[Picture of Michèle Mouton\]
The Women In Motorsport Commission was created in order to:

- Demonstrate that women are recognised by the highest body responsible for motor sport.
- Show that motorsport is open to women in all of its aspects, whether as competitors, officials, team managers, engineers, mechanics, etc.
- Promote the place of women in motorsport through media, international events, partners and stakeholders.
- Develop social and educational programmes, in order to encourage greater participation of women in motor sport.
- Make young women (drivers, officials, professionals, customers) aware of road safety issues.

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- 2014: 1st WIM Seminar in the Middle East in Qatar
- 2015: Women Cross-Country Rallying programme
- 2016: Creation of WIMC “Engineer Your Career” brochure
- 2017: “Driven to be bold” Motorsport and International Women’s Day
OUR AMBASSADORS

Honorary Ambassador
Michele Mouton
Women In Motorsport Commission President
Member of the World Motor Sport Council

Volunteers & Officials Representative
Silvia Bellot
FIA Steward

Rally drivers and co-drivers Representative
Jutta Kleinschmidt
Dakar Rally Winner

Engineers & Mechanics Representative
Leena Gade
Race Engineer - First Female Race Engineer to Win 24 Hours of Le Mans

Leading Managers Representative
Claire Williams
Williams Martini Racing - Deputy Team Principal

Circuit Drivers Representative
Susie Wolff
Former DTM and Williams F1 development driver
Founder of Dare To Be Different
Team principal of the Venturi Formula E

WOMEN IN MOTORSPORT WORLDWIDE PRESENTATION

The Women In Motorsport Commission has more than 70 national representatives in the world appointed by their National Sporting Authorities.

Their mission is to help implementing the WIMC initiatives in their respective countries in order to create a motorsport culture that facilitates and values the full participation of women in all aspects of motorsport. An ASN toolkit has been developed for that purpose and is available upon request.

The Commission encourages all National Sporting Authorities to get in touch and nominate their Women In Motorsport National Representative.

Details on our international representation are available on the FIA Women In Motorsport webpage.

> www.fia.com/fia-women-motorsport
In March 2018, the Women In Motorsport Commission launched “The Girls On Track – Karting Challenge”.

The Girls On Track - Karting Challenge is a 2-year programme (2018/2019) aiming to promote motor sport among young women between 13 and 18 years old.

This project is supported by the European Union Erasmus+ programme in its aspiration to break stereotypes and address the low participation of women in the sport.

A sociological study will be conducted alongside the project to provide an evaluation of the programme and recommendations for sport stakeholders on how to increase the participation of young women in sports.
A “detection cell”, managed by Cathy Muller and Jutta Kleinschmidt, was created in 2014 with the objective of detecting talented women drivers and co-drivers and helping them to reach the highest level in motor sport.

During each meeting, the detection cell manager presents to the Commission the latest achievements of the detected talented young women.

An FIA Women Drivers Academy is soon to be launched by the Commission, with the objective of offering meaningful training and substantial opportunities to selected drivers.

The FIA CIK Academy Trophy brings together the best prospects between the ages of 12 and 14 from around 40 countries in the world to compete on a one-make basis.

Since 2011, the Commission has selected one female participant among the 51 seats in order to provide mentoring and training.

This initiative has been a great success, with supported drivers progressing to touring cars and single-seater formulas.

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In 2017, an Engineer Your Career Booklet was created by the WIMC members in order to explain what is engineering, why it is important and how motor sport offers a variety of career options in engineering. The booklet is available in French, English and Spanish (autumn 2018).

The next step will be to implement a STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) project aimed at highlighting the career opportunities available to young people in motor sport during key events.

> www.flinschools.com

> www.fia.com/women-engineering
The Commission includes a Volunteers & Officials Steering Committee whose role is to recruit, retain, train and promote women to join the sport as a volunteer or official.

2018 projects include:

- the promotion of senior female officials through the FIA Race Directors’ and Stewards’ Programme
- the production of a female volunteers and officials booklet
- the implementation of an officials exchange programme between CAMS and various ASNs in different disciplines.
The FIA Women in Motorsport Commission organises networking platforms at international and regional level to help the affiliated clubs to develop and implement women in motorsport programmes.

- In 2012, the first FIA WIM International Seminar organised by the FIA took place in Paris, France, the second – in 2016 – in Lisbon, Portugal.
- In 2015, the FIA Women In Motorsport Commission signed the Brighton Declaration on Women and Sport, which aims to develop a sporting culture that enables and values the full involvement of women in every aspect of sport.
- The next FIA WIM International Seminar will take place in Iceland, in 2020.

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- facebook.com/FIAWomenInMotorsport
- instagram.com/fia.official
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