



RACE STEWARDS BIOGRAPHIES



GARRY CONNELLY

CHAIRMAN, AUSTRALIAN INSTITUTE OF MOTOR SPORT SAFETY; FIA WMSC MEMBER, FIA SCIENTIFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER

Garry was instrumental in bringing the World Rally Championship to Australia in 1988 and served as Chairman of the Organising Committee, Board member and Clerk of Course of Rally Australia until December 2002. He has been an FIA Steward and FIA Observer since 1989, covering the FIA WRC, the FIA WTCC and the FIA Formula One World Championship. He is Chairman of the Australian Institute of Motor Sport Safety and director of the Australian Road Safety Foundation. He is a member of the FIA World Motor Sport Council, a member of the FIA Scientific Advisory Committee and FIA Environmental Delegate.

MATTEO PERINI

FIA STEWARD AND MEMBER OF AUTOMOBILE CLUB OF ITALY

Matteo Perini began his motor sport career in 2005 and has been a National Steward in Italy since 2015. As one of the country's youngest National Stewards he has officiated in a number series including GT racing, F4 and TCR. His international experience began with stewarding roles in a variety of series. He has also acted as a permanent Steward in the F4 Italian Championship and from 2019 in the Formula Regional European Championship. He took part and completed the Global Pathway to become an FIA Steward and regularly acts as a Steward in Formula 1.



MIKA SALO

FORMER FORMULA 1, GT DRIVER

Finnish racer Mika Salo competed in over 100 grands prix between 1994-2002. After junior success in Britain and Japan, Salo made his Formula 1 debut for Lotus at the last two rounds of the 1994 season. Over the next eight years the Finn drove for Tyrrell, Arrows, BAR, Ferrari, Sauber and Toyota. He twice finished on the podium for Ferrari and scored points for Toyota in the Japanese manufacturer's debut race. After calling time on his F1 career, Salo competed predominantly in sports cars, most notably racing in GT classes. He has GT2 victories at both Le Mans and Sebring to his name, and in 2007 won the GT class in ALMS.

DANIL SOLOMIN

NATIONAL STEWARD

Danil Solomin has been involved with the organisation of the Azerbaijan Grand Prix since 2016, first as Event and Communications Supervisor ahead of the event and then on-event as Deputy Chief Marshal. In 2020 he became Marshals Recruitment and Trainings Coordinator for the event and during the race weekend in 2021 acted as Race Secretary for the grand prix. This year's event marks his debut as National Steward for the race at the Baku City Circuit.

