

Young Bahraini racer claims podium

Eight-year-old Saif bin Hassan takes third in IAME UAE Championship's opening round



- Competed against over 30 top drivers
- Prepares for Rotax Championship starting next

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Rising Bahraini motorsport star Shaikh Saif bin Hassan Al Khalifa secured a third-place podium finish in the opening round of the IAME UAE Championship held in Ras Al Khaimah. At just eight years old, Saif bin Hassan competed fiercely against more than 30 top regional and European drivers in the Mini/Micro class, demonstrating a resolve and skill far exceeding his age. His

Shaikh Saif bin Hassan Al Khalifa with his trophy



Shaikh Saif bin Hassan Al Khalifa in action

performance secured an honorable podium result for the Kingdom of Bahrain, reaffirming his status as one of the youngest karting drivers making a significant impact on the regional

scene. Saif bin Hassan is competing in both the IAME UAE Championship and the Rotax Championship, the latter of which is set to begin next week in Al Ain.

Speaking about his inaugural podium finish, Saif bin Hassan said: "Being on the podium at the start of the championship is a successful beginning. I trained hard with my team, Excel Mot-



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orsport. We will continue training and strive for more victories as we start again next week." The young driver races for Excel Motorsport, one of the region's most successful racing teams, which competes across various categories, from Mini Max karting up to the Formula 4 Middle East and Formula 4 European Championships. With this strong start, the talented Bahraini driver has established himself as one of the most prominent karting stars in the region.

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on McLaren winning the Formula 1 World Constructors' Championship for the second consecutive year at the Formula 1 Singapore Grand Prix

