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DREAM JOB WITH INFINITI & RENAULT SPORT FORMULA ONE™ TEAM AWAITS: INFINITI ENGINEERING ACADEMY 2017

- INFINITI announced yesterday the fourth edition of its highly successful INFINITI Engineering Academy
- This global recruitment program will offer young engineers a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to join a unique automotive-to-Formula One™ placement
- Students from seven participating regions can register at academy.infiniti.com (applications open from February 2017)

Hong Kong – INFINITI announced yesterday the 2017 edition of the INFINITI Engineering Academy during a presentation at the Autosport International Show, with Tommaso Volpe, Director, INFINITI Global Motorsport and Cyril Abiteboul, Managing Director, Renault Sport Formula One™ Team.

It will be the fourth successive year of this unique recruitment program, which provides a money-can't-buy, life changing career opportunity for seven world-class students. Students will learn from leading engineers both at INFINITI Motor Company and the Renault Sport Formula One™ Team, thanks to the technical partnership and strong collaboration between the two companies.

Also present at the event, and proof of the extraordinary success of the Academy, were William Priest (2014 INFINITI Academy Engineer and now full time engineer at INFINITI), Daniel Sanham (2015 INFINITI Academy Engineer who has just signed a full time contract with the Renault Sport Formula One™ Team) and Caitlin Bunt (2016 Academy Engineer and first female winner).



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"Thanks to our close Technical Partnership with the Renault Sport Formula One™ Team, we can offer seven engineers from all over the world a truly technically rich, multi-discipline and multi-cultural engineering placement. We are really proud to see this project growing year after year and our past Academy engineers being so successful in their careers. The level of interest we are receiving from students all over the world is absolutely fantastic, so of course we are delighted to launch the fourth edition of this truly unique program," said Tommaso Volpe.

A key pillar of the INFINITI Engineering Academy is exploring crossover opportunities and the sharing of technology between INFINITI road car and Renault Sport Formula One™ race car projects. With this added depth of knowledge transfer and the enhanced scope for collaboration that the Renault-Nissan Alliance brings, the Academy will provide an unmatched range of experiences and opportunities to the seven 2017 winners.

"INFINITI brings two key elements to the Renault Sport Formula One™ Team: expertise in the Energy Recovery Systems (ERS) through Performance Hybrid technology and an international diversity of young, fresh thinking engineering talent, thanks to the Academy," added Cyril Abiteboul. "These globally sourced students not only bring fresh perspectives to the team but also the latest learnings from road car hybrid technology, of which INFINITI is a pioneer."

Having launched the careers of previous winners, the INFINITI Engineering Academy is THE technical recruitment initiative in Formula One™. For the 2017 edition, the seven global regions participating will be: Asia & Oceania, Canada, China, Europe (including Russia), Mexico, Middle East and United States.

"With Formula One™ more relevant to the automotive industry than ever and our Academy engineers at the cutting edge of both automotive and motorsport engineering, we are perfectly placed to explore, understand and encourage the crossover of technology between our two companies and disciplines," concluded Volpe.

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For more information on the INFINITI Engineering Academy or to register to be a part of the class of 2017, visit academy.infiniti.com (applications will be open in February 2017).

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About INFINITI

INFINITI Motor Company Ltd. is headquartered in Hong Kong with sales operations in over 50 countries. The INFINITI brand was launched in 1989. Its range of premium automobiles is currently built in manufacturing facilities in Japan, the United States, United Kingdom and China. INFINITI plans to also expand manufacturing into Mexico by 2017.

INFINITI design studios are located in Atsugi-Shi near Yokohama, London, San Diego and Beijing.

INFINITI is in the middle of a major product offensive. The brand has been widely acclaimed for its daring design and innovative driver-assistance technologies.

From the 2016 season, INFINITI is a technical partner of the Renault Sport Formula One team, contributing its expertise in hybrid performance.

More information about INFINITI and its industry leading technologies can be found at www.infiniti.com. You can also follow INFINITI on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and see all our latest videos on [YouTube](#).

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