

## Rome Hosts Safety Symposium



*Rome - set to be the scene of a joint symposium between the FIA Institute and the International Council of Motorsport Sciences.*

A joint symposium between the FIA Institute and the International Council of Motorsport Sciences (ICMS) will take place in Rome from January 12, 2006. It is the fourth time the FIA has linked up with ICMS for the biennial conference but the first since the launch of the Institute.

The four day symposium will examine all aspects of safety in motor racing from a scientific angle. Around 100 delegates are expected to attend.

They include FIA Institute fellows and research group members, Chief Medical Officers from all the major FIA Championship events and other US championships, international motor sport doctors, and various motor sport safety experts. The ICMS is an association of motor sport doctors and many of the fellows of the FIA institute are also ICMS members.

The delegates will be introduced to the Symposium with a special welcome from Father Phil DeRea representing the Vatican. The conference itself will be split into four sessions with talks led by chief medical officers and other advisors working in motor sport.

FIA Institute advisor Peter Wright, who is also head of the FIA Safety

Commission, will give an overview of the work of the FIA Institute to date. Gary Hartstein MD and Dr Jean Duby will talk about the FIA Institute medical training initiative and the medical facilities at the Paul Ricard circuit. F1 race director Charlie Whiting will be joined by Terry Trammel MD and Institute advisor Andrew Mellor to talk about new developments in single seat car safety.

Other seminars include looking at new developments in high-speed impact barriers, insurance and liability in motor sport medicine and the development of the FIA youth helmet standard.

The symposium will be followed by the FIA Chief Medical Officers' Seminar on Sunday January 15, 2006. This seminar involves the Chief Medical Officers of the Formula One World Championship, World Rally Championship, World Touring Car Championship and GT Championship.