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ECOMOTORI RACING TEAM: THREE-TIME WORLD CHAMPIONS

For the third year in a row, Ecomotori.net's Fiat 500 Abarth has won the World Championship for Alternative Energies, making it the most decorated Abarth ever.

Milan, Italy – October 8th 2014 - The Ecomotori Racing Team's CNG-converted Fiat 500 EcoAbarth has won the 2014 FIA Alternative Energies Cup for the third year in a row. The driver, Massimo Liverani, was also crowned World Champion in the Drivers' and Manufacturers' categories.

The last race played a crucial role in determining the final results. Called the Hi-Tech EKO-Mobility Rally, it was held last Saturday and Sunday (October 4th and 5th) in Greece, on a course of more than 500 km through the Hellenic nation from Nea Filadelfeia to Athens and back. Massimo Liverani came in first place, followed by Guido Guerrini in an LPG-powered Alfa Mito and the Greek Denis Negkas in a Toyota Prius.

Ecomotori Racing Team Manager Nicola Ventura had this to say on the win: *"For the third year in a row, we're at the top of the World Championship. Everything worked perfectly and in Greece we proved the value of our team once again. **We've won 13 out of the 15 races that the team has taken part in over the last three years**, so winning is our identity and we are proud of it. With this race, the 500 EcoAbarth, equipped with a Cavagna/Bigas CNG conversion kit, finishes up its career in the World FIA Alternative Energies Cup on a victorious note. **This car is probably the most successful of the Abarth brand**, there's never been one quite like her! The team is already at work for 2015 and we will definitely be back on the race track and ready to surprise people again. "*

"On paper, this was the easiest race for us" says Massimo Liverani "That's because we had gained a significant advantage during the racing season, at least in the Drivers' and Manufacturers' categories, despite the competitions in Serbia and Bulgaria. Reading the time charts today has never been such a relief! Now it's time to celebrate and enjoy the success with the team. "

The Co-Drivers' title went to Isabelle Barciulli in an Alfa Mito, making her the first woman in the history of the FIA Alternative Energies Cup to be crowned world champion.

The Italians also triumphed in the electric vehicles category, thanks to Walter "Fuzzy" Kofler and Franco Gaioni, a pair of South Tyrolean drivers in a Think City. They came to Greece and won hands down, after having already wrapped up the world title with a race to spare.

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