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## Franco Morbidelli Team EG 0,0 Marc VDS Moto2

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**USPA NEWS** - Franco Morbidelli: Pilot Team EG 0,0 Marc VDS in this season Moto2 2017 was great. He has never failed anything has always been concrete and fast and today he is in charge of the Moto2 ranking. Runs for one of the best teams and will definitely be the number one candidate for the Moto2 world title.

Franco Morbidelli (born 4 December 1994 in Rome) is an Italian motorcycle racer. He was the European Superstock 600 champion in 2013. Despite the common misconception, he is not related to Giancarlo Morbidelli, manufacturer of the famed Morbidelli Grand Prix racing bikes, or his son, former Italian F1 driver Gianni Morbidelli. Morbidelli's father is Italian, but his mother is Brazilian. Livio Morbidelli's son, also a motorcycle rider, debuts in the European Superstock 600 championship in 2011, running four races on a Yamaha YZF-R6 of the Forwards Racing Jr team. In 2012, he is sixth in the same category and in 2013 he says champion European with a Kawasaki ZX-6R from San Carlo Team Italia. Also in 2013, the Grand Prix of San Marino, Japan and the Valencian Community on the Suter MMX2 of the Gresini Racing team runs in the Moto2 Moto2 class.

In 2014 he became a leader in the Italtrans Racing team, which entrusted him with a Kalex Moto2; The team mate is Julián Simón. He scores as a best fifth place finish at Aragon's GP and ends the season at 11th place with 75 points.

In 2015 he stays in the same team, with Mika Kallio as teammate. Gets this year his first podium in the motorbike race in Indianapolis, reaching third place. This season he is forced to skip Gran Prix of Great Britain, San Marino, Aragon and Japan due to the tibial and perforated fracture of the right leg remedy in training. Closes the season at 10th place with 90 points.

In 2016 he moved to the Marc VDS team, alongside Alex Márquez. Morbidelli collects three thirds of seats (Holland, Aragon, Japan) and so many places in second place (Austria, Great Britain, Australia), seeing his first victory in the motorbike race at Philip Island, mocked for just 10 milliseconds by Thomas Luthi. In the last two seasonal appointments, in Malaysia and the Valencian Community, ends second and third respectively. He finishes the 4th place with 213 points.

The following year, with the same team and teammate in 2016, Morbidelli started the season with three wins in the same Grand Prix races (Qatar, Argentina, Austin), becoming the first driver to win the first three season races in Intermediate class since 2001 when Daijiro Katayama won the first four in the then 250cc class

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