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## Death of rider Shoya Tomizawa

Following the tragic death of the Japanese Moto2 rider Shoya Tomizawa yesterday during the GP of San Marino, the FIM immediately conveyed its most sincere condolences and profound sympathy to his family, friends and team members.

Vito Ippolito, FIM President declared: "We are extremely saddened by the death of Shoya Tomizawa, a charming and talented rider with a promising future, which reminds us that our sport, in spite of a reduced number of fatal accidents in recent years, is not without risk for its competitors.

"The FIM and Dorna, along with all the protagonists of our sport, have worked enormously in recent years for the improvement in active and passive security of our sport in order to ensure that all the circuits and facilities used in our sport achieve the highest possible level of safety.

"I have been in contact with the Race Direction to understand the circumstances of the accident and I know that everything that could have been done was effectively carried out to save the life of this rider. However, the dynamics of the accidents that take place in our sport are often unpredictable. We must continue to research and analyse to minimize them.

"In these difficult times that plunge our sport into mourning, I reiterate my heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Shoya Tomizawa as well as to the Japanese Federation."

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### About the FIM ([www.fim-live.com](http://www.fim-live.com))

The FIM (Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme) founded in 1904, is the governing body for motorcycle sport and the global advocate for motorcycling. The FIM is an independent association formed by 101 National Federations throughout the world. It is recognised as the sole competent authority in motorcycle sport by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Among its 49 FIM World Championships the main events are MotoGP, Superbike, Endurance, Motocross, Supercross, Trial, Enduro, Cross-Country Rallies and Speedway. The FIM also deals with non-sporting matters such as leisure motorcycling, mobility, transport, road safety, public policy and the environment. The FIM was the first International Sporting Federation to enforce an Environmental Code in 1994.



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