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The NTUA FSAE Team that took part in the Formula SAE Italy for the year 2008, running for Class 3, is pleased to announce that it won **first place**.

The efforts of the team were rewarded not only with the first prize, but also with very encouraging comments from the competition's Technical Committee.

The 5 students attending at the Mechanical Engineering School of the National Technical University of Athens, were called to design a racing formula-type car, that besides being competitive at the track, it can also be fully marketable since each team has to compose a full cost report for the materials used and the manufacturing processes that are required for the making of their racers. Furthermore a complete and viable business plan of marketing the car should also be presented.

The team consists of the following:

Basilis Tsinias

Team Leader and chassis & suspension director

John Michalopoulos

PR Manager & powertrain director

Alex Vamvakas

Transmission & braking systems director

George Demos

Suspension designer

George Georgiadis

Suspension & braking systems designer

By presenting a realistic design, the team managed to keep the cost extremely low – shining in this way at the Cost Event with a staggering score of 87/100. At the same time with its business plan the team showed to the Technical Committee that not only they can sell their car, but they can also keep their customers by offering unsurpassable after-sales services.

The Technical Committee itself consists of great names from the Automotive Industry and Motorsport, names such as Aldo Costa (Scuderia Ferrari Marlboro Technical Director), Marco Fainello (Ferrari F1 Car Performance Development Manager), Giorgio Valentini (Car Design Expert, ex-F1 cars designer).

Last but not least, the team would like to thank for their contribution and support Dr. K.N. Spentzas (professor at the Mech. Eng. School of NTUA) and the Vehicle Lab of the school.

