

Professional Racing Driver with a wide range of experience

Started in karts and quickly moved up to single-seaters. Obtained my first international title in 2001 winning the Formula 3 World Cup in Macao. Invited to join the FFSA French Team formed to promote young French racing talent under Jean Alesi's captaincy. After a number of seasons in WSR 3.5, GP2 (Williams F1 contract), ChampCar and Superleague Formula championships, I was recruited by Audi to become an official test driver for their prototype programme.

Over the past few years, I have increasingly focused on endurance racing and have already participated in a number of Le Mans 24 Hours with Dome, WR team, Alpine-Renault and Ligier. So far I'm the only driver to have won both the "Rookie of the Year" award & the "Jean Rondeau" prize at the Le Mans 24 Hours, and in 2014: pole position and 2nd overall in LMP2.

Single seater experience

	MACAO F3 Grand Prix World Cup / Team ASM WINNER
2001-2002	French F3 Championship / Team ASM 6 victories / 11 poles (Record) / 10 podiums / 1st overall CHAMPION and "Rookie of the Year" Award
2003	Formula V6 EuropCup Series / Team Signature 4 victories / 5 poles / 6 fastest lap / 4rd overall
2004	World Series by Nissan / Team Saulnier Racing 5 podiums / 4 fastest lap / 6th overall
2005	World Series by Renault 3.5 / Team KTR 2 victories / 5 other podiums / 5 fastest lap / 4 th overall in final standings
	World Series by Renault 3.5 / Team Pons 2 races: 2 pole / a 2 nd place & a retirement (mechanical problem)
2006	GP2 World series / Team iSport / Williams F1 contract 5 races: 1 pole / 4 top 5 finishes / 1 fastest lap Partial season due to budget constraints
2007	USA ChampCar World Series / Team PKV Racing 2 poles / 5 top 5 finishes / 2 fastest lap / 6 top 10 finishes
2008-2011	Superleague Formula Series / Official Superleague driver 5 victories / 7 other podiums / 1 pole / 12 fastest lap Helped 5 teams to improve their car's performance during the season
2012	Superleague development car (720bhp; 725 kg)

WEC / Le Mans Series / Le Mans 24 Hours / Nurburg 24 Hours

2014	ELMS LMP2 / Team Thiriet by TDS Racing Leading the ELMS championship Winner at Silverstone (round 1)
	Le Mans 24 Hours LMP2 / Team Thiriet by TDS Racing New Ligier JS P2 prototype development LMP2 Pole Position LMP2 2 nd fastest lap LMP2 ranking: 2 nd overall
2014	Nuburgring 24 Hours / Seat Sport Class SP3T Dnf at 9am / mechanical problem
2013	Le Mans 24 Hours LMP2 / Team Signatech Alpine Renault Le Mans 24 Hours ranking: 8 th Test & development driver ELMS CHAMPION
2011	24 Hours of Le Mans LM GTE / private Ferrari Official test ranking: 2 nd fastest lap
2010	Le Mans 24 Hours LMP2 / Team WR (independent constructor) LMP2 ranking: 8 th overall (11 hours driving) "ESCRA" award
2009	ELMS LMP2 / Team WR (independent constructor) Overall LMP2 ranking: 10th / best result: 5th
2008	LMS LMP2 / Team WR Silverstone Race: 1 st race of the team
2003	Le Mans 24 Hours LMP1 / Official DOME Qualifying: 8 th Race: DNF due to mechanical problem (11h30 driving) "Rookie of the year" Award "Jean Rondeau" special Award

Partnerships with Constructors

2014	Ligier JS P2 / Team Thiriet by TDS Racing Defining set-up of the new car Collaboration with Onroak Automotive engineers Participation at press meeting with Guy Ligier & Onroak Automotive
2013	Alpine A450 / Official Alpine-Renault driver Official test and development driver
2010-2012	Audi R15++ and R18 / Team Joest Test and development driver
2011	Sportscar JS 53 / Ligier Official Test and development driver
2010	Nissan invitation as professional driver French meeting "Free Race": 1 win / 2 nd overall European Final: 1 win / 4 th overall
2006	Ligier F3 Official Test and development Driver
2004	Mygale F3 Official Test and development Driver

Recommendation letters

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Dear Tristan,

I am delighted that you have secured a competitive drive within the GP2 series with the i-Sport team. I follow the GP2 races with great interest and I am looking forward to seeing you in action this season. Last year's GP2 series provided a real test of ability in the disciplines of qualifying and racing and tough competition in all races and conditions. On the evidence of 2005, if you do very well in GP2, an F1 career beckons.

Having given much consideration to the subject, we have decided to invite you to be a part of our testing programme in the latter half of the 2006 season after your GP2 series commitments are over. Your record to date and various recommendations of your driving ability from informed sources makes us think that you are worthy of serious consideration as a future WilliamsF1 driver and as a result we are pleased to offer you some worthwhile testing mileage in one of our FW28 chassis in the November-December period. I do hope that you will accept our offer.

I am conscious of the fact that should you agree to accept our offer, you are likely to want to publicise this fact through the French (and other international) media. To assist you in this, we are willing to make a car available to you for a "media test "on a French circuit earlier in the season at a mutually convenient date.

Please can I ask you to let me know whether you want to take up this offer prior to the first Grand Prix of the season and if so, thereafter please can you liaise with our Head of Marketing, Mr Jim Wright and my son, Jonathan Williams on all matters to ensure that this programme is executed in a professional and worthwhile manner.

Yours sincerely

Frank Williams

World Championships Constructors 9 Drivers 7 Race wins 113



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Letter of recommendation

Tristan Gommendy tested in November 2010 for 3 days with the Audi Sport Testteam in Monteblanco one of the R15+ LMP-1 sportscars.

On the first day we gave him time to get used to team- and carcharacterisitcs as well as learning the track. He had already there to deal with difficult weather and track conditions but did not make any mistake.

He got on very quick with the engineeringcrew and group of mechanics. His way to communicate is clear and it has been obvious that with his experience he knows very well how a sportscar should be setup to suit his driving.

During the second day we tested on dry track conditions his abilities to recognize differences in mechanical and aerodynamic setups. His feedback on the changes where very detailed and precise. Every change on the car was recognized always correct.

On the third day Tristan has had the task to improve the car from an given setup with all the tools (technical, teaminfo, data) and possibilites to an level where he thought the car is in a good state to qualify and race it in an endurance event. He than had to go through a qualifcation run (2 set of new tyres) followed by a full tank racesimulation. Here he again prooved his ability to use all of his experience on doing fast lap times on new tyres and later on treating car and tyres so that a very good racepace during the longrun could be kept.

We did not do any laptimeperformanceruns in comparison to experienced Audi Sport sportscardrivers as this was not on our prioritylist.

After every day he took the chance using all the given possibilities (engineers and data acquisition) to gather enough information in order to improve his driving. The way he expressed his opinion in meetings is on a very high professional level. So has been his testreport. Briefadresse: AUDI AG 85045 Ingolstadt

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Tristan was always on time and fully prepard with his equippment when he was scheduled to drive.

The complete Audi Sport testteam has been greatly impressed by his technical understanding and his controlled fast way of driving without one mistake. His professional attitude towards the test and the importance of the test to him where obvious to me from the day I had contacted him.

We wish him all the best in continuing his career

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Objet : AW: AW: Tristan Gommendy / Recommendation

Hello Tristan,

sorry for not being not available by phone but the days are really packed with meetings and preperation for the coming tests and the Sebring race.

I really can assure you that the signings of Marco had nothing to do with your/their performance in the Monteblancotest.

Felipe we had tested in comparison to other drivers in a seperate DTM test which we did in December in Almeria. There he proofed very good together with Mortara. This one has been really focused on performance only. This DTM signing has had nothing to do with the LMP test.

Marco had and still has a good contact to Audi Sport Italia. This contact and the LMP test made it

possible for him to work out a deal to do GT 3 races in 2011 and get a chance in testing the LMP car.

As said here the already existing Audi contact made it possible.

As I told you in our last telephone conversation. Your performance is and has been very good and this has not been a reason for you not being considerd. Otherwise I would have told you - believe me. What happens in longterm future (means after 2011 Le Mans) regarding drivers I really can't judge. As in general there are some drivers in an age where we should consider to find "replacements" is very obvious. Whether our boss decides to do that on short term, I doubt.

In short words, there is of course a chance for you but if I would be in your situation I would not build my future on it, because it is not calculable in any respect. There are simply to many variables needing to fall in the right direction to make you a happy man. I'm in no position to promise you anything, all I can give is a judgment of the general situation.

I hope this is of any help to decide the way you need to go.

I have you on my list of drivers to watch and follow and will always report to the boss of who is performing during the season.

Kind regards Jo Fax reçu de : +33490320188 U(-U6-2004 16:25 UE-ALES) JEAN

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Pilote Automobile Capitaine de l'équipe de France FFSA des circuits

lundi 7 juin 2004

Objet : Evolution de Tristan Gommendy vers la Formule 1

Messieurs,

Dans le cadre de la fonction de Capitaine de l'équipe de France des circuits qui m'a été attribuée par la Fédération Française du Sport Automobile, j'ai été amené depuis deux ans à apprécier à sa juste valeur les performances de Tristan Gommendy.

En effet, lors des stages de l'équipe de France que nous avons partagés ainsi que dans le suivi de ses performances, j'ai particulièrement apprécié ses qualités de leader et sa volonté sans faille à vouloir réussir dans son métier de pilote automobile.

Tristan a su se révéler en Formule 3 en devenant Champion de France comme moi même et confirmer depuis, et aux yeux de toutes les instances sportives du sport automobile mondial, sa valeur incontestable de pilote de course au plus haut niveau en remportant en particulier la course mythique de MACAU F3..

Mon expérience de 12 ans de Pilote de Grand Prix de F1 me permet d'affirmer que Tristan a toutes les qualités requises et en particulier la maturité pour intégrer et réussir une longue carrière en Formule 1, tant au niveau de son pilotage et de sa vitesse pure que de sa capacité à motiver une équipe de course comme il l'a déjà maintes fois prouvé.

Ma conviction de la réussite de Tristan en Formule 1 est telle que je m'implique personnellement, mets à sa disposition toutes mes introductions dans ce milieu très fermé et apporte ma recommandation auprès de toutes les instances permettant de faire aboutir son projet.

Jean ALESI ATTO.

To whom it may concern.

My name is Yves Touron and I am a Race Engineer at Dreyer & Reinbold Racing in the Indycar Series. I have been working in Champcar for 5 years with KV Racing Technology (previously called PK Racing / PKV Racing) and 4 years in Indycar (with KV Racing Technology and Dreyer & Reinbold racing). Prior to that I worked in American Le Mans with Team Cadillac. Thru my career in the USA I worked with drivers of the likes of Justin Wilson - Jimmy Vasser – Paul Tracy – Oriol Servia – Max Angelleli – JJ Letho to name a few...

In 2007 I got to work for a season with Tristan Gommendy. It was a challenging season for PKV Racing as we had to develop a brand new car - the Panoz DP01.

Tristan is surely one of the fastest drivers I know. To showcase how exceptional talent Tristan has he managed to get pole position and lead races for his first season at the highest level of North American Racing which Champcar represent and at race tracks he was discovering every weekend. He has one of the best car control I ever seen. I can definitely state that he has all the qualities required to succeed at the highest level of competition in any high caliber championship.

I have to say that Tristan Gommendy impressed me quite a lot as he adapted very quickly to the car and with his excellent feedback helped the whole team to move forward in setup and development directions.

His faculty of adaptation to a new track is very impressive and even if he was discovering all the tracks where we were racing he was up to speed pretty quickly.

In a human side Tristan is a very dedicated person with a strong work ethic (we spend a lot of time in front of the computer analyzing data acquisition). His debriefs are precise and accurate and he inspire confidence in the engineering group to push forward development as you know that he'll tell if it is the right direction.

For me Tristan is the complete package as far as a driver. He has an impressive natural talent in driving skills but also a strong understanding of car setups and a very good feel for setup changes.

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P.S.: If you think you would need to know a little more about Tristan please feel free to contact me at the number or email address above.

TRISTAN GOMMENDY

RACE INGINEER POINT OF VIEW

Frank Coekaerts: Tristan's race engineer World Series by Renault 3.5.

In my opinion, Tristan has all the right ingredients required to be at the very top of our sport. He has the gift to be at the limit of the car within the few laps when the tyres are at their peak performance, therefore always extracting the maximum of the package available to him. In a race situation, he possesses the controlled aggression needed to race hard but fair and he never gives in.

Above all else, his honesty towards the people he works with but also to himself when analysing his performance. Trust and belief in one another is where our driver / engineer relationship was based on, Tristan is very much aware of the importance of this and made the effort to spend enough time with me and the Team to help create this environment. From an engineer's point of view, when you work with a driver you have to remember that they are human, you have to take the best out of them and accept that even the very best make mistakes.

Tristan is the most incredible driver I ever came across in terms of instant speed. He needs very little time to get to his maximum performance and the limit of the car, a big plus, as more time can be spend on set-up work rather than getting the driver up to speed.

Tristan has a very good understanding of what he wants from the car and a healthy technical interest and knowledge, without wanting to take over the engineer's job. Again, mutual trust plays a big part in this.



Thiriet by TDS Racing: leading the ELMS championship (2014)





Le Mans 24 Hours: press conference (2014)





ELMS victory at Silverstone (2014)





LMP2 Alpine official driver (2013)



ChampCar Pole Position





F3 French champion & Macau winner



LMP1 Dôme Official driver







Victory in Superleague Formula championship











"Rookie of the year" award Le Mans 24 Hours



World Series by Renault 3.5 Valencia Winner



GP2 championship



Macau F3 victory



Ligier F3 Official test Driver



Formula Renault V6 victory (José Maria Lopez & Neel Jani)