

## Media Information

### **Carlo Gavazzi announces sponsorship of Sauber F1 Affiliated Driver Simona De Silvestro**

*Steinhausen, April 11, 2014* – Carlo Gavazzi Inc., the wholly owned U.S. subsidiary of Carlo Gavazzi Holding AG, today announced their partnership with Sauber F1 affiliated driver Simona De Silvestro. Carlo Gavazzi, known worldwide for their high quality precision automation sensors and switching devices, is proud to be sponsoring the only Swiss racer to ever win the prestigious Indy 500 'Rookie of the Year', which was awarded to Simona De Silvestro in 2010.

Swiss-Italian national De Silvestro was the first female in Atlantic Championship series' history to have earned the most wins, pole positions and lead the most laps in a single season. She spent the last four years in the IndyCar Series finishing the 2013 season with nine top-10 finishes. In 2014 De Silvestro signed as an affiliated driver with the Sauber Formula One team.

#### **About Simona De Silvestro**

*Simona De Silvestro is a Sauber F1 affiliated driver on the road to becoming the first full-time female F1 driver of the modern era in 2015. She was named IndyCar's 2010 Indy 500 'Rookie of the Year' and in October 2013 at the Grand Prix of Houston she earned her first IndyCar podium finishing second.*

*Please visit her website at: [www.SimonaDeSilvestro.com](http://www.SimonaDeSilvestro.com)*

#### **About Carlo Gavazzi:**

*Carlo Gavazzi is a publicly quoted international electronics group (SIX: GAV) with activities in the design and marketing of electronic control components for factory and building automation.*

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