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MORBIDELLI IN TCR HONDA

Gianni Morbidelli has cemented his switch of tin-top codes for this year from the World Touring Car Championship to the new TCR International series.

The Italian ex-Formula 1 driver (above) will race a JAS Engineering-built Honda Civic run by Swedish team West Coast Racing in TCR, which kicks off at the end of this month with a Malaysian Grand Prix support date at Sepang.

American Kevin Gleason will also race with TCR, which plans a three-car team.

Meanwhile, Russian Sergei Afanasiev has joined the Craft-Bamboo Racing line-up to drive a SEAT Leon Racer. The ex-Auto GP, Formula 2 and Formula Masters frontrunner has competed recently in Blancpain GT contests.