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Federico Cecchi's success in the Mini Rok class at the International Final 2016 has been officially announced eight months later, but this is not the reason why Frederick's victory loses value.

Cecchi grew up and trained in the Mini Rok class until he won the title at the Rok Cup International Final 2017. This year he shifted to the Junior Rok class and is still one of the absolute leaders. We celebrate with pleasure the winner of the Rok Cup International Final Mini class.

Name: Federico Cecchi
Age: 13 years old
Town: Bracciano (Roma)
School: secondary school
Hobbies: karting and fishing
Carrier in brief:

He has his debut in karting on April 28th, 2013 in the Mini Rok class
3rd place in the Mini Rok Cup Italy (Siena) 2014
2nd place in the WSK Night Edition 2016
First success in the Junior Rok class (7 Laghi circuit) 2017
Victory 1st round Italian Champ. (Lonato) ACI Sport 2017 Junior class

Not considering the long epilogue, how was your Rok International Final 2016?

"It was a fantastic event. I soon started well in the heats and was a little bit thrilled on Saturday morning, the day of the finals. This excitement disappeared before the competitions and I started 3rd in the final. The final was very fought, I was there with Delli Guanti, Smal and Mallet, and in the final phase it occurred the accident that changed the result and that forced us to wait so long. Now, I'm so happy!"

"Happy to what? What will you do?"

"Happy ... cheerful ... I'll have a party with the whole Revolution team, to thank my parents, my mechanic Luca, Roberto Abbate, Roberto Di Cioccio and Pietro Mancini. The latter, even though he was not in the team, gave me great support in the following weeks."

"After training in the Mini Rok class, this year you have shifted to the Junior Rok, finding yourself soon at ease and showing off your success immediately. How did you experience the Mini-Junior Rok change?"

"Initially it was hard, especially from the physical point of view. I'm slim line and I did not go to the top right away. Races are longer than the Mini class and therefore, the required mental commitment is much higher, because Junior has higher performance than the Mini. I was so much determined to improve those aspects I had to improve to do better and better. In the end I succeeded and I was happy."

After the first part of the season what are your targets for the grand final?

"After the Rok North race in Castelletto I will give myself a short break to the sea. Then I expect to do so much training to concentrate on Rok Cup Italy and the Rok Cup International Final"

The secret dream of Federico?

"It's the same as the most of young drivers'. Get in F1. In order to achieve this great and tough dream, I am giving my best."

What is your reference driver?

"Surely Michael Schumacher. I always liked him and in particular I appreciated his appeal. I am very sorry about what happened to him and I take this opportunity to send him my most sincere wishes."