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### **On-board tests for the “Ref FPT” boat.**

At the FB Design nautical site located on the Como Lake, Fiat Powertrain Technologies has announced to specialized press its participation into the Round Britain Offshore Powerboat Race 2008.

During the meeting Alfredo Altavilla, FPT CEO and Fabio Buzzi, FB Design CEO have jointly tested at over 90 mph the Red FPT boat powered with four N67 – 450 Evolution units upgraded to 600 horsepower.

Blue FPT, the boat equipped with three turbodiesel N60 – 480 engines of 480 horsepower, which will also take part in the Round Britain Powerboat Race 2008, and two Guardia Costiera patrol boats designed by FB Design and powered with the FPT N60 – 450 engine of 450 horsepower were also available for exciting speed tests.

Tim Powell Round Britain 2008 organizer, was also present during the press conference. The famous English pilot mentioned the great difficulties of the race and underlined how the presence of more than 50 entrants represents by itself an important success for this event.

24 years since the last competition of Round Britain, 10 years since the big final endurance race, the Venice – Montecarlo, Round Britain 2008 is ready to write an important chapter in the history of powerboat race and Fiat Powertrain Technologies is ready to take part into.

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