



## HEXAGON HELPS STUDENTS AIM FOR POLE POSITION

Hexagon Manufacturing Intelligence UK is helping a group of university students to fine-tune the design of a single seat racing car for a top educational motorsport competition.

The 24-strong team from the University of Sunderland is using a Hexagon Manufacturing Intelligence TIGO SF co-ordinate measuring machine and ROMER Absolute portable measuring arm for a range of measurement and inspection tasks.



Based at the university's Institute for Automotive and Manufacturing Advanced Practice (AMAP) facility, the SU team is aiming for success in the Formula Student contest set to take place at Silverstone in July.

As an Innovation Partner of Formula One's Red Bull Racing, Hexagon also arranged for the students to boost their preparations for the event with a trip to the team's headquarters at Milton Keynes.

"The visit inspired us all and made the team even more committed to its goal of a successful Formula Student car. We came away with lots of ideas and inspiration to accelerate our own car development," commented deputy team captain Ed Wilding.

"We also learned lots from the question and answer sessions with the senior Red Bull engineers. Being questioned on why we did things on our car by leading figures

in F1 was a little intimidating, but also a confidence boost that we were developing a robust car for this year,” he added.

As well as building the single seat racing car, the students have been working closely with local team Weardale Racing whose motorbikes will feature the Hexagon logo when they compete in the forthcoming Isle of Man TT.