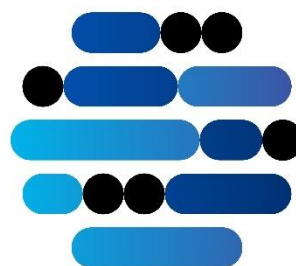


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## WORLD AQUATICS OPEN WATER SWIMMING WORLD CUP

**GOLFO ARANCI 2023**



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## 1. PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



It is with great pleasure that I welcome the world's best open water swimmers and their respective National Federations to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023.


This year we get to see the class of open water athletes compete across five events: 8-9 May, Somabay (EGY); 20-21 May, Golfo Aranci (ITA); 27-28 August, Setubal (POR); 5-6 August, Paris (FRA); 1-2 December, Eilat (ISR).

Since the first annual international open water swimming series in 2007, the events have proven to be an important event tour on the aquatics calendar. Over the years, we have routinely seen incredible performances and competitive races on the world stage. With established champions raising their level while new talents emerge on the global stage, the quality of the competition has never been higher.

Reserved for the best open water swimmers in the world, this prestigious event series in 2023 will see more than 300 athletes from over 50 countries compete in one of World Aquatics' most demanding and exciting competitions.

I have no doubt that our fantastic host cities will provide our athletes and spectators with great entertainment and hospitality. And thanks to the support of the Local Organising Committees, local authorities, volunteers and international media, the World Aquatics World Cup 2023 will represent another milestone in the history of this spectacular competition.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the host cities and sponsors for hosting what is set to be a captivating series. To all the athletes competing, I wish you the best of luck!



**Captain Husain Al-Musallam**  
**World Aquatics President**

## 2. PRESIDENT'S FIN REGIONAL COMMITTEE OF SARDINIA MESSAGE



On behalf of the Italian Swimming Federation, we would like to welcome the Open Water National Teams that will participate in Leg 2 of the Open Water swimming World Cup.

Italy and Sardinia are very glad to organise Leg 2 of the World Cup.

The Open Water sport continues to grow, both in terms of participation and level.

After the 2022 European Championships, a further prestigious event allocated to Italy will be able to attract spectators and fans of Open Water Swimming in our Country.

Sardinia is traditionally a welcoming and hospitable land, and its waters are world-famous for their clarity, a natural swimming pool.

We would like to thank World Aquatics for accepting our candidature and the organising company Aquatics Team Freedom for making its organisational structure and staff available for the staging of the event.

**Danilo Russu**  
**President FIN Regional Committee of Sardinia**

### 3. VICE-PRESIDENT'S SARDINIA REGION MESSAGE



The Autonomous Region of Sardinia is proud to host the second leg of the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023.

Golfo Aranci, Sardinia, represents one of the ideal venues for this type of competition due to both the characteristics of its gulf and its crystal-clear waters. The suggestion of the landscape, combined with the usability of the places and spaces from a sporting point of view, we are sure can be the key to the success of an event that we host with enthusiasm and pride. The beauty of our land, the hospitality, the sporting spirit of the Sardinian people and the organizational experience of the Italian Swimming Federation will ensure the success of the event.

Sardinia is land and sea, an extraordinary mix of beauty perfectly combined and balanced between the picturesque inland areas and the splendor of the coasts. The ancient history of our island speaks of expert navigators and exchanges between cultures that took place from and through the sea.

Sports, especially water sports, are for Sardinians an invaluable element, an engine of growth, an ally and a tool for an increasingly sustainable development marked by respect for and protection of the environment. This is also why on the occasion of this extraordinary sporting event, on behalf of the Region, I thank World Aquatics for accepting the candidacy of the Italian Swimming Federation in cooperation with Aquatic Team Freedom for its organizational contribution.

**Giuseppe Fasolino**  
**Vice President of the Region of Sardinia**  
**Councillor for Planning, Budget, Credit and Land Use**

## 4. INTRODUCTION

The Italian Swimming Federation has the honour and pleasure to invite you to the World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023, in Golfo Aranci – Sardinia (ITA).

Our organisation is glad to welcome this year all Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023 athletes. Golfo Aranci is proud to offer this beautiful event to the population of Sardinia and is also honoured to be the second stop of 2023 Open Water Swimming World Cup and first one in Europe, marking also the first time Italy has hosted a World Aquatics open water event.

The following information has been prepared to assist your National Federation in its decision to attend this event.

## 5. EVENT CONTACTS

Should you have any questions or queries regarding the information provided in this document please feel free to contact the following event contacts:

**Italian Swimming Federation:**

**Phone:** +39 06 36200457 or 406

**Email:** [Simona.spurioschiavoni@federnuoto.it](mailto:Simona.spurioschiavoni@federnuoto.it)

**Local Organising Committee:**

**Phone:** +39 3386212062

**Email:** [ows.worldcup.ita@gmail.com](mailto:ows.worldcup.ita@gmail.com)

**World Aquatics**

**Name & Last Name, Role:** Ignasi Vendrell, Sport Manager

**Email :** Ignasi Vendrell [ignasi.vendrell@worldaquatics.com](mailto:ignasi.vendrell@worldaquatics.com)

## 6. CALENDAR

LEG	DATE	LOCATION
#1	MAY 08-09	HURGHADA (EGY)
#2	MAY 20-21	GOLFO ARANCI (ITA)
#3	MAY 27-28	SETUBAL (POR)
#4	AUGUST 5-6	PARIS (FRA)
#5	DECEMBER 1-2	EILAT (ISR)

## 7. EVENT KEY DATES

<b>10 April</b>	PRELIMINARY ACCOMMODATION BOOKING & 50% DEPOSIT
<b>10 May</b>	REGISTRATION DEADLINE Final Nomination, Visa, Travel Details
<b>10 May</b>	SPORT ENTRIES DEADLINE
<b>10 May</b>	FINAL ACCOMMODATION BOOKING, BALANCE PAYMENT & ROOMING LIST
<b>17-19 May</b>	OFFICIAL TRAINING
<b>19 May</b>	TEAM LEADERS MEETING – 17.00hrs
<b>20 May</b>	COMPETITION – 10km Individual Men – 10.00hrs COMPETITION – 10km Individual Women – 12.30hrs
<b>21 May</b>	COMPETITION – 4X1500m Mixed Relay – 09.00hrs
<b>20 May</b>	Mile Open – Mass Participation Event – 15.30hrs
<b>21 May</b>	3 km - Mass Participation Event – 11.30hrs

## 8. OFFICIAL SCHEDULE AND COMPETITION PROGRAMME

### Training Schedule will be as follows:

**Wednesday 17 May** arrival of delegations and training at sea

**Thursday 18 May** workout in the pool and training at sea

- 08.00÷14.00 Pool (4 slots of 90 minutes)

- 15.00÷17.00 Sea

**Friday 19 May** workout in the pool and training at sea

- 08.00÷14.00 Pool

- 15.00÷17.00 Sea

**Competition schedule:****May 20<sup>th</sup>**

- 10.00 Start 10 km Men
- 12.30 Start 10 km Women
- 15.00 Awards Ceremony
- 15.30 Mile Open (Mass Event)

**May 21<sup>st</sup>**

- 09.00 Mixed Relay 4x1500m
- 11.00 Awards Ceremony
- 11.30 3 Km (Mass Event)

Award ceremonies will take place at the competition venue, immediately after the race.

All Announcements, instructions, and commands during the event will be in English.

## 9. PARTICIPANTS

Entries will be accepted only from National World Aquatics Member Federations which must also register a coach for each respective swimmer. A coach can be responsible for up to two (2) swimmers only. The coach is responsible for representing his/her swimmers at the Technical Meeting and feeding the swimmer during the event. The World Aquatics Technical Delegate together with the Chief Referee will accept entries and register only swimmers accompanied by the respective coach who is in charge of swimmer recognition during the race. A swimmer without a coach present will not be allowed to start the race. Each National Federation that has entered one or more swimmers in an Event must also have at least one representative (e.g., team leader, coach) present.

## 10. ENTRY PROCESS

**Registration:** All National Federation registrations and sport entries must be done through the World Aquatics General Management System (GMS) via <https://data.worldaquatics.org>. Each National Federation must complete their registrations before the designated deadlines.

Should you have any questions regarding the registration process or the GMS, please contact [ignasi.vendrell@worldaquatics.com](mailto:ignasi.vendrell@worldaquatics.com)

## 11. TECHNICAL & TEAM LEADERS MEETING

The Technical & Team Leaders Meeting (TLM) will take place on **May 19th at 17.00h** (venue will be confirmed closer to the event).

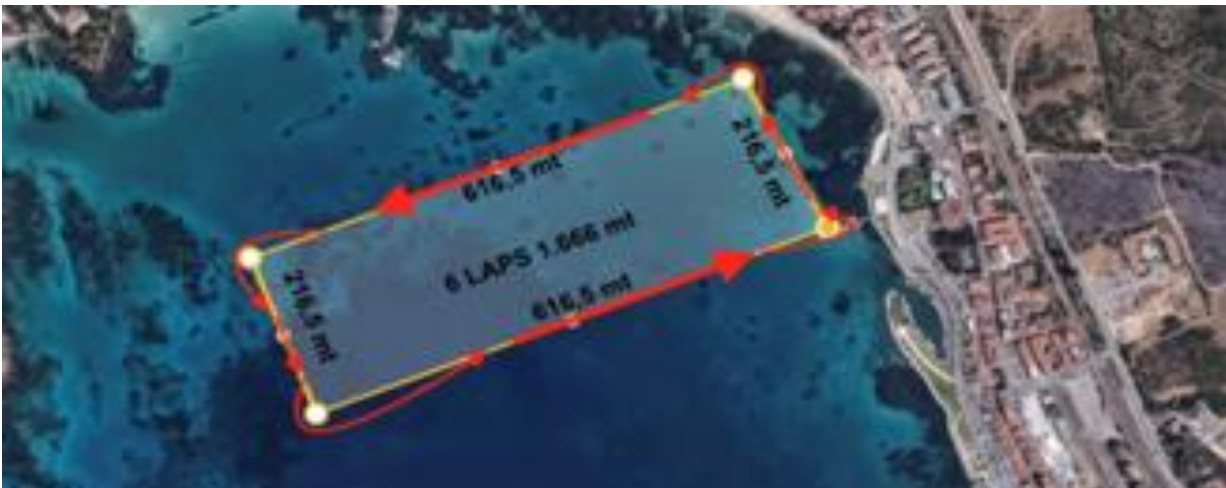
At least one representative from each National Federation must attend this meeting.

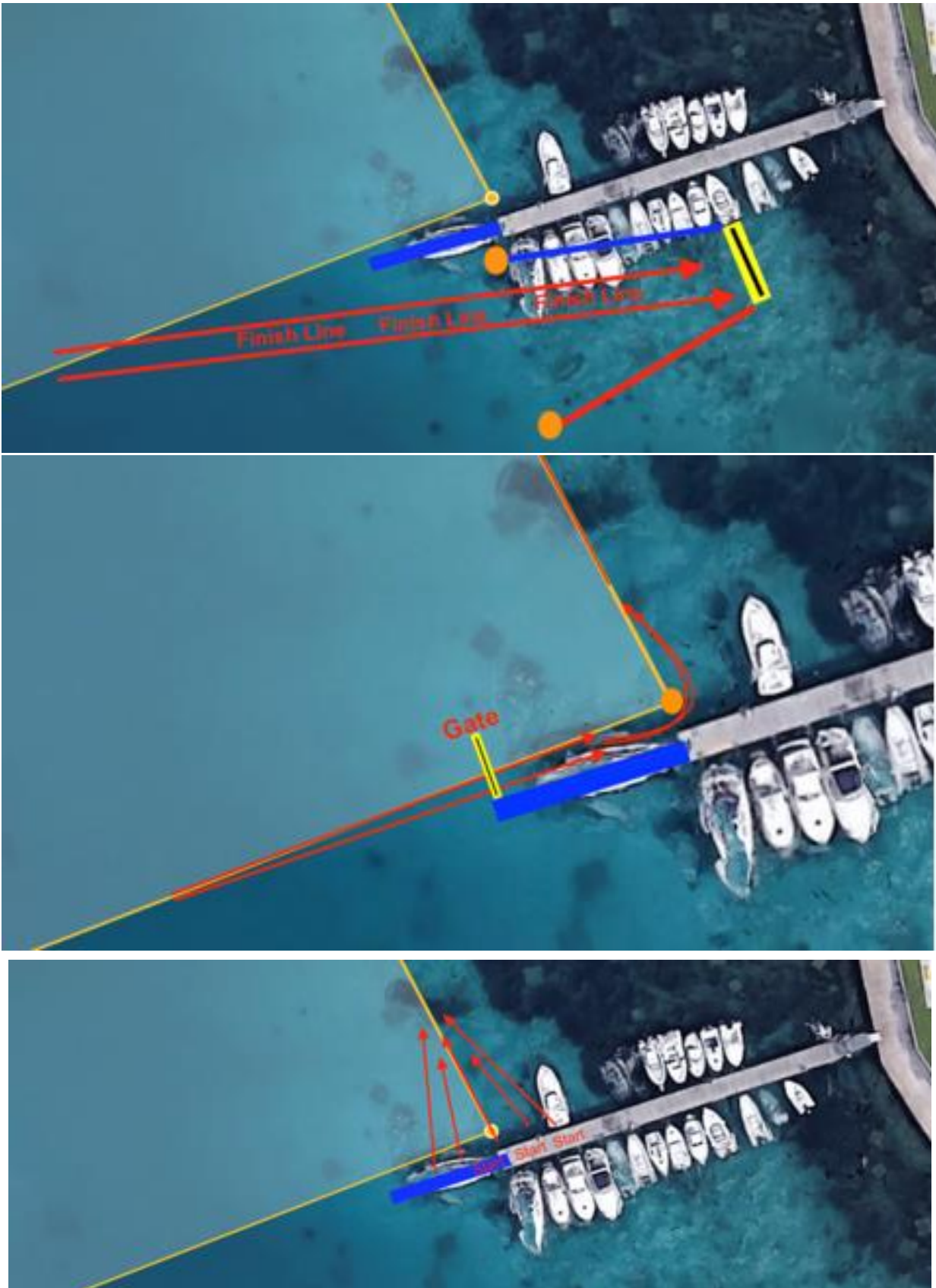
## 12. VENUE & COURSE INFORMATION

The 10km Competition will start from the beach of Golfo Aranci.

Course designs for both events will be provided closer to the competition and details will be explained at the Team Leaders Meeting.

**Sprint Laps:** Laps considered for the Sprint Ranking will be laps 1,3 and 5





## 13. RULES

Please note that all the events in the World Cup will be conducted according to latest World Aquatics Competition Regulations, in force at the time event.

World Aquatics Competition Regulations can be found [here](#)

## 14. ACCREDITATIONS & EVENT INFORMATION DESK

The Organizing Committee will provide all Swimmers and Team Staff with an official Accreditation card. Only accredited people will be allowed to access certain venue areas. All accredited people are requested to always carry their Accreditation Cards with them and to show them upon request.

### **Where to collect**

Accreditation can be collected in both official hotels.

Team managers will be required to present photographic identification for all team members.

## 15. POINT SYSTEM & PRIZE MONEY

Point system and prize money distribution is explained within the 2023 Rules & Regulations

World Aquatics Open Water Swimming World Cup 2023, Rules and Regulations can be found [here](#).

## 16. MEDICAL

All Medical Support will be delivered by the local health authorities and in articulation with the World Aquatics Medical and Safety Officers, as well as World Aquatics Rules and Procedures.

## 17. VISA INFORMATION & TRANSPORTATION

The Italian Swimming Federation will facilitate an entry visa to Italy to all participants and coordinate all the required procedures upon completion of registration in the World Aquatics GMS no later than **10<sup>th</sup> May 2023**.

For additional information on whether a Visa is needed for entry into Italy please visit <https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

Transfers services will be provided free of charge only for the National Federations arriving at the Olbia Airport (15/20 minutes to both hotels). Local transportation between the Hotels and training/competition venue will be organized as well.

The LOC will facilitate Airport Welcome and Transportation services upon

filling in the Travel Information in the World Aquatics GMS by the deadline of **10 May 2023**.

Transfers from other airports can be organized upon request. We will send you a quotation in case of need.

In case you need support for your travel to Golfo Aranci the travel agency Smeralda Experience is ready to help you.

Please contact [general.aviation@smeraldaexperience.com](mailto:general.aviation@smeraldaexperience.com)

## 18.ACCOMMODATION & MEALS

The Local Organising Committee will provide accommodation for all participating athletes and team officials according to the Open Water Swimming World Cup, Rules & Regulations 2023.

\*Rates by night per person per day in Full Board

240 Euros in single Room

175 Euros in double room

155 Euros in triple rooms

The Official Event hotels will be:

**Hotel Marana** \*\*\*\* <https://www.maranahotel.com>

Punta Marana Località Marana, Golfo di Marinella 07020 Golfo Aranci, (OT)

25 minutes from the Airport

20 minutes from Training Venue - Air Sporting Club

15 minutes from the Competition Venue in Golfo Aranci

**Hotel DP** \*\*\*\* <https://www.hotel-dp.it>

via Sa Testa 1 07026 - Olbia (SS)

15 minutes from the Airport

10 minutes from the Training Venue - Air Sporting Club

20 minutes from the Competition Venue in Golfo Aranci



Hotel Marana



Hotel DP

LOC will allocate rooms in the two hotels based on the size of the team.

**Accommodation Forms** can be downloaded on the World Aquatics website [here](#) and must be sent by the deadlines indicated in point 7 above.

Should you have any questions regarding the accommodation, please feel free to contact us at [Simona.spurioschiavoni@federnuoto.it](mailto:Simona.spurioschiavoni@federnuoto.it)

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Any cancellations prior to 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023 will not be penalized while cancellations from 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023 will be penalized with a 100% charge of the total cost of the cancelled reservation.

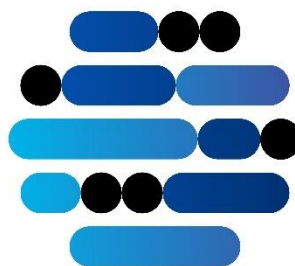


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