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SARDINIA SAILING CUP, PARA SAILING

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24: THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME BEGINS
HANSA 303, FIVE NATIONS COMPETE IN THE WATERS OF SU SICCU
LOOKING AHEAD TO THE BRISBANE 2032 PARALYMPIC GAMES**

Cagliari – From Sunday, November 24, to Tuesday, November 26, the waters of Su Siccu will host the International Development Programme (IDP), the final major Para Sailing event of the Sardinia Sailing Cup. The event village will be set up within the Molo Ichnusa, home to the Italian Sailing Federation’s Olympic Training Center, adjacent to the Luna Rossa Prada Pirelli base. Visitors will have free access to the Sardinia Sailing Cup and the chance to view the Hansa 303 boats up close. The event officially kicks off on Sunday, November 24, at 10:30 AM.

Para Sailing will be the grand finale of two months of international sailing hosted by the city of Cagliari. Now in its second edition, the International Development Programme will welcome international athletes and their HANSA boats, designed to overcome the barriers posed by disabilities and enable everyone to experience the joy of sailing.

Italy, France, Great Britain, Sweden, and Austria are the nations represented in Cagliari. Participants, selected by their respective national federations and the international committee, will engage in days of sailing activities, including training, on-land and on-water testing, and competitive races in the waters of Su Siccu. Athletes will vie for the International Development Programme Trophy in both single and double categories.

The IDP at the Sardinia Sailing Cup will serve as a critical opportunity to gather important data, test formats, and collect insights to support the reintegration of Para Sailing into future Paralympic Games.

“The final event of the Sardinia Sailing Cup will resonate internationally due to the World Sailing Annual Conference,” explains Mirco Babini, coordinator of the Sardinia Sailing Cup. “The conference, organized by World Sailing, concluded just a week ago in Singapore. Cagliari, through the IDP, along with other selected cities worldwide, will contribute to bringing Para Sailing back to the Olympic Games, potentially as early as Brisbane 2032. Sardinia will provide clear direction and actionable plans to advance inclusivity in sailing,” Babini continues. “We anticipate an extraordinary 2025, with numerous world-class sailing events confirmed for Sardinia. We close 2024 with great optimism.”

“Hosting the IDP is a source of pride and satisfaction, enabling us to engage with the Para Sailing sector, which holds great importance for our region,” says Corrado Fara, President of FIV Zone III. “The Sardinia Sailing Cup is a targeted initiative aimed at organizing and managing high-profile international events. Thanks to the global reach of the participants, the Para Sailing Academy offers a unique opportunity to promote Sardinia worldwide, generating a positive impact on the region. Sardinia continues to establish itself as an ideal destination for events of this nature. Once again, Cagliari’s exceptional hospitality has facilitated the organization of a diverse range of events, bringing hundreds of athletes,



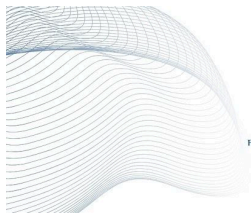
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technicians, and enthusiasts to Sardinia, from Para Sailing to national and international competitions for youth, Olympic classes, and major offshore regattas.”

The Sardinia Sailing Cup began on September 25 at Marina Piccola with the Italian Olympic Classes Championship, followed in October by the iQFOiL European Championship, the Foil International Academy Trophy, and the WingFoil Racing World Cup.

The event is promoted by the Autonomous Region of Sardinia – Department of Tourism, Handicrafts, and Commerce. The project is the result of a collaboration between the Italian Sailing Federation, FIV Zone III, and World Sailing, with support from the Municipality of Cagliari.



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