

## PRESS RELEASE

### BARCOLANA 52 PRESENTED BY GENERALI, AFTERNOON UPDATE: THE ASUGI RAPID SWAB SCREENINGS AT MOLO IV CONTINUE

### LACK OF WIND IN THE GULF FOR TRAINING - VITTORIO BISSARO, SAILING AMBASSADOR OF LAND ROVER, MEETS THE YOUNG SAILORS OF THE OPTIMIST

### TOMORROW BARCOLANA CLASSIC BY SIAD: 67 AT THE STARTING LINE FOR THE REGATTA DEDICATED TO VINTAGE BOATS

*Trieste, October 9, 2020* - Friday afternoon saw a lack of wind at Barcolana 52 presented by Generali. As rapid swab screenings continue at Molo IV, crews use the time to prepare for the regattas taking place the day prior to the Barcolana. Tomorrow, there will be 67 crews who will participate in the Barcolana Classic by SIAD, the regatta for vintage boats and the "Spirit of Tradition" regatta organized by the Società Velica of Barcola and Grignano. Classic boats will carry out the traditional parade along the San Giusto Basin before departure and will race following a triangular course in the Gulf.

This afternoon, the Land Rover Road to Barcolana initiative was very successful: the three young athletes of the Optimist class, Lisa Vucetti, Tommaso Geiger and Giuseppe Montesano were selected for an afternoon of theory and techniques at sea with Vittorio Bissaro, the great sailor of the Italian Olympic team, world champion in 2019 and, since last year, the Sailing Ambassador for Land Rover. Vittorio arrives in Trieste with the aim of training the youngest and most promising athletes of the Optimist class, sharing with them his vast experience: a clinic of great value and prestige in view of the participation of young athletes at Barcolana and especially in the upcoming European Class Championships, one of the most important events of the season.

Daniele Maver, President, Jaguar Land Rover Italy, says: *"I am very pleased that even in this particular edition of the Barcolana, we wanted and were able to reconfirm our presence as a Gold Sponsor, solidifying our commitment to this great and unique sailing event."*

*I would like to add that being able to highlight an initiative that supports and enhances the world of promising young athletes, makes me even more proud, and I again would like to thank Vittorio for being on board with us as Sailing Ambassador, he perfectly embodies the passion and the ethical and sporting values that define our brand".*

*"Barcolana" - said the president of the Società Velica of Barcola and Grignano, Mitja Gialuz - "has always been a moment of bringing together experience and innovation, tradition and youth: the Land Rover Road to Barcolana initiative creates new points of contact and gives the young talents of sailing the opportunity to have new experiences together with great champions. Vittorio Bissaro is an undisputed talent of Italian*

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*sailing, this activity will allow the kids to have a useful experience and, above all, to draw inspiration from a young champion who will lead them on the Gulf on classic and traditional vessel where not only speed counts, but also precision and team spirit".*

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