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### BARCOLANA SEA SUMMIT STARTS TOMORROW

### BARCOLANA CHEF RETURNS AT SEA, THE RACE BETWEEN STAR CHEFS

### THE OLYMPIC CHAMPIONS RUGGERO TITA AND CATERINA BANTI THIS WEEKEND'S GUESTS OF HONOUR AT THE BARCOLANA

*Trieste, October 5<sup>th</sup> 2021* – The Olympic gold of sailing – the crew composed by Ruggero Tita and Caterina Banti – will be present at the Barcolana from this Friday; the ten years of Barcolana FUN Siram Veolia; and the great celebration, both on land and at sea, which has now come to life. Today is dedicated to Barcolana per il Sociale, meanwhile everything is ready for the Barcolana Sea Summit, which will be inaugurated tomorrow, Wednesday October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Trieste Convention Center. The 80 students of the Istituto Tecnico Nautico di Trieste who, as every year, manage the “follow me”, are all set to manage the moorings, as are the 63 students of the Istituto tecnico settore economico a indirizzo turistico Leonardo Da Vinci who will participate in a training course at the Barcolana Sea Summit.

**TITA-BANTI: THE OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALLISTS AT THE BARCOLANA** – Will be among the guests of honour at the Barcolana. The gold medallists at the Tokyo Olympics, Ruggero Tita and Caterina Banti, will be in Trieste for the occasion of the Barcolana, together with the Federazione Italiana Vela, which will “engulf” them in the spirit of the event, in numerous meetings and appointments with sea enthusiasts. It will commence on Friday October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm at the Barcolana Lounge by Prosecco DOC in Piazza Unità, where the two athletes will meet the public and the media in an event moderated by the Rai Sport journalist, Giulio Guazzini. On Saturday morning the two athletes will “split”: Caterina Banti will take part in an outing in the Gulf, together with One Ocean and a few athletes of the Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano, whereas Ruggero Tita will participate in Barcolana FUN Siram Veolia challenging the Bora aboard the Moth.

During the second half of the morning, around 11am, and once again at the Barcolana Lounge, the gold medallists will meet the athletes of the local sailing clubs, while in the afternoon they will be guests on the live broadcasting of Rai Uno's Linea Blu, and subsequently of an event at the prefecture. Together with the Barcolana, organizing the attendance of Tita-Banti is the Federazione Italiana Vela, which will also be the protagonist of the Sea Summit inaugural day, with the councillor Flavia Tartaglini, who will talk about sustainability. The chairman, Francesco Ettore, will be expected in Trieste on Friday.

The **Chairman of the Federazione Italiana Vela, Francesco Ettore**: *“Every year the magic of the Barcolana is renewed, an event which involves the sailing world in a week rich in events. This year in particular, we have the opportunity to celebrate our Ruggero and Caterina together with all the sea enthusiasts: a gold medal we wish to share and dedicate to all our members. I wish to thank Mitja Gialuz for his usual hospitality and impeccable organization and all the staff who collaborate so effectively for the realization of the Barcolana. This year new routes will be traced that I hope will bring us, via everyone's personal journey, towards the definitive end of this difficult time”.*

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**BARCOLANA PER IL SOCIALE** – The Sirocco wind has stalled the Barcolana per il Sociale at sea, but not on land, where in the afternoon, at the Magazzino 26, the great celebration which unites Barcolana by Night and the volunteering associations will take place. Enlivened by the Calicanto band, in excellent shape this year, the ceremony of the allocation of the associations to the crews of the Barcolana by Night is carried out, namely the “organized cheering” of the Barcolana. *“This for us is a great moment every year – commented the **Chairman of the SVBG, Mitja Gialuz** – the event has many languages and many subjects, and it truly involves everybody: this is one of the great Barcolana celebrations, and it is a celebration that is even more effective here in the Magazzino 26 and the Porto Vecchio”.*

**TOMORROW SEES THE START OF THE BARCOLANA SEA SUMMIT** – Tomorrow afternoon at 5pm will mark the beginning of the Barcolana Sea Summit, the event dedicated to the health of the Mediterranean and the meeting of science, institutions and businesses to discuss the future of the sea. The event will take place at the Trieste Convention Center and in streaming on the Youtube channel of the Barcolana. The guests at the inaugural day will be – after a message sent by the Minister Cingolani – Edo Ronchi, chairman of the Fondazione Sviluppo Sostenibile; Andrea Illy, chairman of illycaffè on the subject of sustainability and regeneration; and Phoebe Koundouri, of UN SDSN SEAs Initiative. The event foresees an introduction to sustainability in the sailing world at the hands of the chairman of World Sailing, Li Quanhai, and speeches by the chairman of the SVBG Mitja Gialuz, the federal councilor of the FIV Flavia Tartaglini, the Chairman of The Ocean Race Richard Brisius and the Vice executive chairman of One Ocean Riccardo Bonadeo.

**GENOVA THE GRAND FINALE AT THE VILLAGGIO BARCOLANA AND AT THE SEA SUMMIT** – The collaboration between the two Italian sailing capitals, sealed over the past few weeks by the “RoundItaly Genova – Trieste Regatta 2021”, continues thanks to the presence in Piazza Unità of the stand “Genova The Grand Finale” organized by the management of “The Ocean Race”, which will participate in the Barcolana Sea Summit.

Tomorrow, Wednesday October 6<sup>th</sup>, the Chairman of The Ocean Race, Brisius, will explain the goals of the round-the-world sailing race: not only those related to the sport but also the constant commitment to sustainability, with numerous scientific, communication and educational projects. For the occasion, Trieste will receive from Genova the messenger of the initiative “Relay 4 Nature”, an artistic object created with wood salvaged from the sea, and promoted by the special envoy for the Oceans of the United Nations, Peter Thomson, who is launching an important message for the health of the marine habitat and receives the commitments of the public and of the decision makers. The Baton will be presented during the inauguration of the Sea Summit to the chairman of the SVBG, Mitja Gialuz.

On October 8<sup>th</sup> the Mayor of Genova, Marco Bucci, will give his speech during the session “Green Ports, Green Cities”; during the same session, there will follow contributions from the Rector of the Università di Genova, Prof. Federico Delfino, and Paolo Emilio Signorini, Chairman of the Autorità di Sistema Portuale del Mar Ligure Occidentale.

On Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>, at The Ocean Race stand, a traditional Genoese event will be held: a stage of the Pesto World Championship, with a demonstration session open to the general public from midday, followed by a competition among 10 contestants between 5pm and 7pm.

**TOMORROW AT THE BARCOLANA** – The day will be dedicated to the Barcolana Sea Chef, the event which combines sailing and fine dining to add value to haute cuisine linked to the sea. The chefs (Matteo Metullio

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& Davide De Pra, Nino Rossi, Chicco&Bobo Cerea, Caterina Ceraudo, Giacomo Sacchetto and Antonia Klugmann) will be challenged in a sailing competition in the Gulf of Trieste accompanied by professional skippers and, once back on land, will move to the kitchens in order to prepare the dishes for the fund-raising dinner to be held that same evening.

The Barcolana Job events continue, with laboratories for the secondary schools in the morning and online meetings for career advice: “Valorizzare le proprie competenze e (ri)mettersi in gioco nel lavoro” from 10am to 1pm and “ConVINCERE con il curriculum e il colloquio di lavoro” from 2.30pm to 5.30pm (for more information: [comunicazione.lavoro@regione.fvg.it](mailto:comunicazione.lavoro@regione.fvg.it)). From 3.30pm to 4.30pm, “Lavora con noi: energia e ambiente: Union Energy assume”, both in streaming and in presence”.

In the evening, in the Sala Luttazzi of the Magazzino 26, the talks of Barcolana un mare di racconti: Chiara Carminati with “Un pinguino a Trieste” at 5pm; the conversation between the finalists of the Campiello Prize 2021, Daniela Gambaro and Carmen Pellegrino with “La vita, istruzioni per l'uso” at 6pm; and Gianfranco Bacchi, 122nd commander of the training ship Amerigo Vespucci, who will go over his career at sea with “Il sogno della Vespucci” at 7pm.

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