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# WORLD PARA SWIMMING OPEN WATER CUP SAN TEODORO 2024

**1.5 KM** FROM S3 - TO S6  
**3 KM** FROM S7 TO S10  
**3 KM** FROM S11 TO S14

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## 1. ABOUT SARDINIA

Sardinia is the second largest island in the Mediterranean after Sicily, with an area of 24,100.02 km<sup>2</sup>.

With its 1,897 km of coastline, it is the Italian region with the greatest coastal development. It has organized one of the most special and important open water events of the Italian Paralympic Swimming Federation for over 11 years: the Italian Open Water Para Swimming Championships.

Sardinia is a cradle surrounded by the sea where, eight thousand years ago, a mysterious and original civilization was born, brought by sea from the other side of the ancient Mediterranean, which is why it was open to innovations and cultural influences. The Sardinians built nuraghi (typical ancient megalithic buildings) along the coast with moorings for boats, joined together to guard the sea and connected to those built inland. The island's location is strategic: it is a bustling crossroads of trade routes frequented by seafaring peoples, including the highly evolved and peaceful Phoenicians who made their base in Sardinia. They founded what would be the most beautiful, cultured and wealthy cities of their time Sulci, Bithia, Nora, Tharros and Karaly. Goods, ideas and knowledge circulated freely among the Phoenician cities and Nuragic villages until the arrival of imperialist populations eager for new domains.

First came the Carthaginians, then fell the Romans and the Phoenician cities. The Sardinians reacted heroically, as in the "lost city" of Cornus, which was defended to the last breath by the Romans. For this, it was punished, destroyed and rebuilt. The most poignant of sunsets over the sea originates from its ruins, overlooking the Gulf of Cuglieri and the cliff of Santa Caterina di Pittinurri. The Romans expanded and built their city overlooking Asinara: beautiful and imperious emerged Turris Libisonis, today the center of Porto Torres. This is an area of La Sardegna where the early Sardinian and Nuragic civilization is best preserved. Here, a short distance from the sea, stands the ziggurat of Monte d'Accoddi. It is one of the oldest and most unusual monuments of European culture. The Romans built paved roads to better govern the territory and connect the conquered cities. One of them connected Nora to Bithia on the coast, and today it is a scenic tour through unspoiled landscapes, as it was when people traveled in ancient times.

## 2. INTRODUCTION

The World Para Swimming, the Italian Para Swimming Federation and the AlbatroSS Sporting Association have the honor and pleasure to invite you to the World Para Swimming Open Water Cup 2024 in San Teodoro - Sardinia (ITA). San Teodoro is honored and proud to host this beautiful event. The following are useful information for the National Federations that wish to participate in this event.



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## 3. EVENT CONTACTS

For any queries regarding the information provided in this document please feel free to contact the following contact persons:

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## 4. EVENT KEY DATES

<i>5 July</i>	Entries and Accreditations Opening
<i>19 July</i>	Deadline to send the Preliminary Accommodation Form (Form n. 1) and payment of 50% deposit
<i>3 August</i>	Deadline to send the Final Accommodation Form (Form n. 2), rooming list and payment of the balance
<i>26 August</i>	Deadline for VISA Application and for late entries with a penalty fee of € 20
<i>31 August</i>	Deadline to send travel details and transportation Form (Form n. 3)
<i>20 September</i>	Team Leader Meeting – h. 17.00
<i>20 September</i>	Official Training – h. 15.00
<i>21 September</i>	Competition – h. 8.30: 1.5km from S3 to S6 h. 10.00: 3.0km from S7 to S14
<i>22 September</i>	Option B to compete in case of bad weather

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## 5. OFFICIAL SCHEDULE AND COMPETITION PROGRAMME

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18th OR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th**  
Arrival of the national teams, transfer to the hotels

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 20th**  
15.00 training in the competition field  
17.00 Technical Meeting

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st**  
09.00 competition start - 1.5 km from S3 to S6  
10.00 competition start – 3.0 km from S7 to S10 and from S11 to S14  
12.30 prize award ceremony

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd**  
Reschedule of the race in case of bad weather  
afternoon  
Departure

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd**  
Departure

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## 6. RACE & PRIZE AWARD CEREMONY

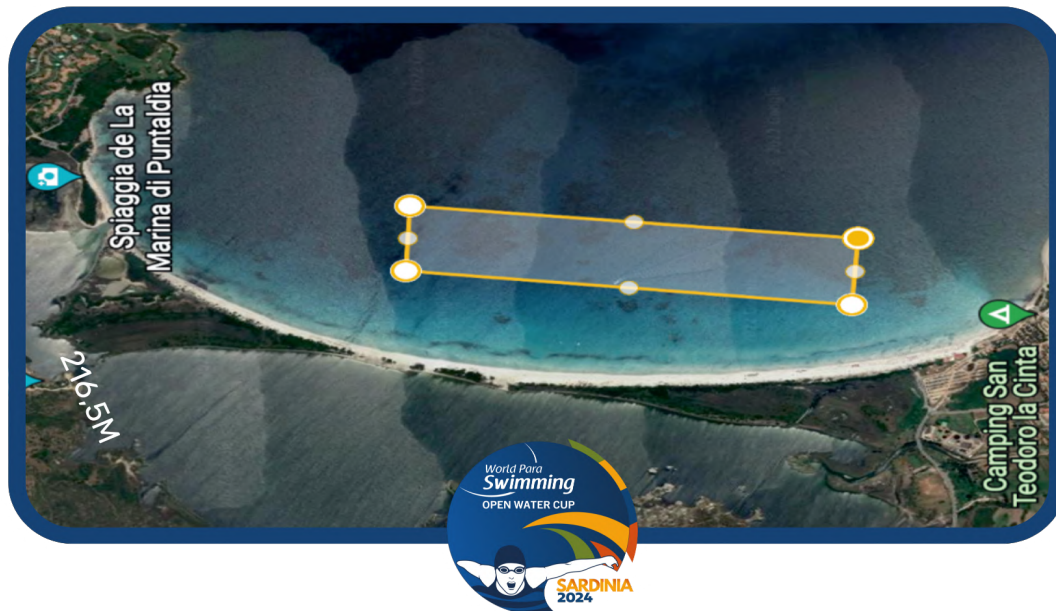
Competition from S3 to S6 - **distance 1.5 km**

Competition from S7 to S10 and from S11 to S14 – **distance 3.0 km**

### Competition field A

San Teodoro's most famous beach, at one of the most beautiful naturalistic landscapes of the Mediterranean Sea, can be reached on foot from the northern part of the town. La Cinta makes a 5-km-long arcs of white and fine sand that gently slopes down to crystal blue sea. The beach smells of juniper, sea lily and helichrysum that garnish a pristine though very crowded still landscape. Its seabed is shallow and crystal clear. Families with children, young people and nature enthusiasts like this beach. La Cinta overlooks the sea, above Punta Coda Cavallo - Island of Tavolara, which rises above the bay with its majestic profile toward San Theodore Lagoon. Thanks to its environmentally respectful variety, this is a beautiful corner of biodiversity where relax and adventure perfectly combine.

### COMPETITION FIELD A







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## Competition field B

Lu Umpostu Beach: a kilometer long and very wide, this beach is made of fine dunes, soft, white and bright sand, dotted with junipers and mimosas, thistle and sea lilies. The water is crystal clear and reflects the sun's rays that bring out its various shades of blue and green. The seabed is shallow and sandy, especially suitable for children and slopes gently down to the lake.

## COMPETITION FIELD B



This event will be held together with the Italian Open Water Championship

The three first male and female athletes competing in the distance of 1.5 Km will awarded a medal. Also the three first male and female athletes competing in the distance of 3 Km will awarded a medal for each class group (S7 – S10 and S11 – S14), according to the weighted point table (hereby attached).

The athletes with N status can compete but they will not receive any medal.

The results of the 2023 edition can be seen in the following link:

[https://www.natatoria.com/nuoto\\_schedamanifestazione.php?lang=it&id\\_manifestazione=1374](https://www.natatoria.com/nuoto_schedamanifestazione.php?lang=it&id_manifestazione=1374)



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## 7. ORGANIZATION

Since 2014, the AlbatroSS sports club has been organizing, in cooperation with the Italian Para Swimming Federation, the Italian Paralympic Open Water Swimming Championships. Such event, at the national level, will take place within the international one, as usual, this year as well. The close cooperation with the Federation has led the LOC, year after year, to offer an increasingly professional standard up to an international organizational level. The experience gained, in synergy with Aquatic Team Freedom in Water and the Italian Swimming Federation, has resulted in an ideal competition field for open water events.

The organization would guarantee:

- Organizational costs
- Transfer to and from the airport, from the hotel to the competition venue
- Accessibility to the competition venue
- International finish with touch and chip timing
- Live event
- Hospitality of local Judges
- Direct relationship with the GUG (Race Officials Group of the Italian Swimming Federation)
- Teams
- Gadgets of the event
- Authorizations, competition venue with buoys,
- Safety and assistance for athletes
- Medical service
- Post race refreshments
- Prize award ceremony
- Filming of the race with 3 cameras and 1 drone
- Broadcasting on a big screen placed on the beach
- Volunteers (they don't include guide athletes)

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## 8. LOCATION

San Teodoro, **located in Gallura**, is a small town with just under 5,000 residents in the winter and thousands of tourists in the summer. This town was founded in the 17th century, inland on the eastern slope of Mount Nieddu, when shepherds and fishermen lived in this land, populated since ancient times. **The nuraghe** in the village of Naracheddu bears the best testimony to that origin. Already in Roman times there was a populated village whose **archaeological** finds are preserved in the Museo del Mare.





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## 9. EVENT BROADCAST

We are working to ensure live coverage of the event. Details will be shared in the Technical Meeting. We believe that the World Para Swimming Open Water World Cup can reach large numbers of participants after the games and can only grow!

The channels to promote the event are:

- Press conference
- Designated web site
- WPS website
- FINP website
- Organizers' website
- Live on TV
- Live on Youtube
- Interviews
- Regional and national press organizations
- Local, national and international press
- TV reports
- Highlights
- Social media
- Photos

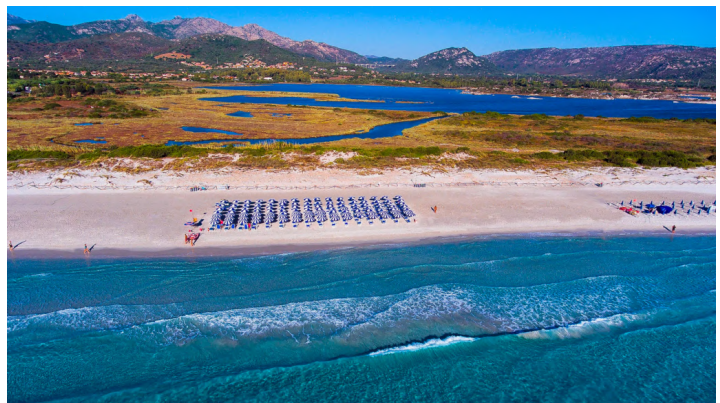
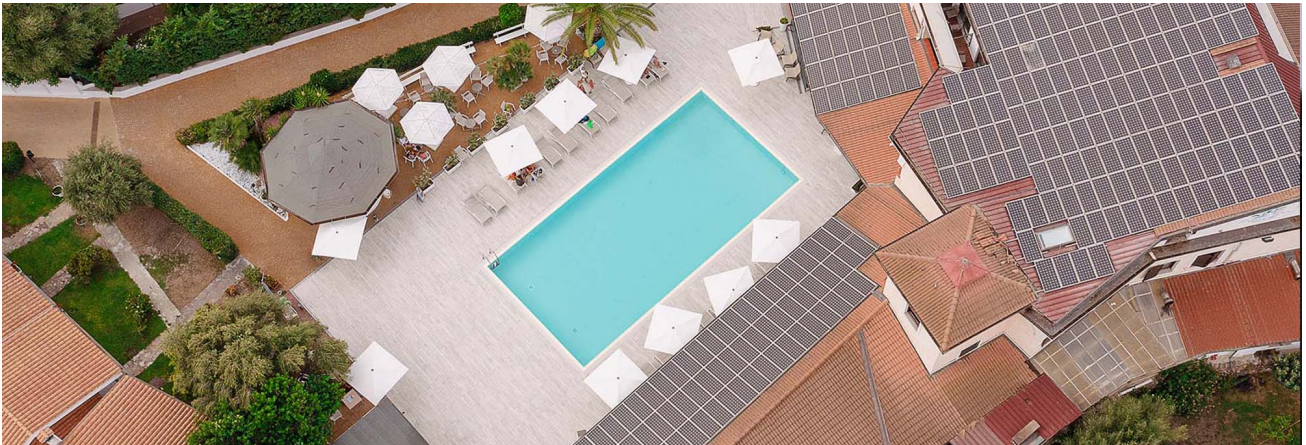




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## 10. ACCOMMODATION



Registrations payment and hotel reservation must be made by July 31st.  
Any delays will not guarantee hotel accommodations by the organization.

## 11. TECHNICAL MEETING

The Technical Meeting (TM) will take place on September 20th at 17.00h in the town hall of San Teodoro - via Grazia Deledda, 15.

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## 12. ENTRIES

Entries will only be accepted through the WPS entry system: <https://db.ipc-services.org/sdms/app/login>

All the athletes should hold a valid WPS license for 2024 and classification (status Confirmed, Review, Review with and without fixed date and New, however please note athletes with New status will not be eligible for medals). This event is open to athletes who are 15 years or older.

The entry fee is € 75,00 per athlete (late entries will be charged € 20). It should be paid to the following bank details: (IBAN) **IT16M0306909606100000077838** in the name of Albatross SSD Srl specifying the name of the participating athlete. No fees will be charged for staff members. Coaches are responsible for representing their swimmers at the Tehnical Meeting. The Technical Delegate of World Para Swimming together with the Head Referee will accept entries and register only swimmers accompanied by their respective coaches who are responsible for recognizing the swimmers during the competition.

## 13. VENUE & COURSE INFORMATION







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## 14. ACCREDITATIONS & EVENT INFORMATION DESK

The Accreditations for all swimmers and staff members can be done through the SDMS accreditation system. Only accredited persons will be allowed access to certain areas of the venue. All accredited persons are asked to carry their accreditation cards with them at all the time and show them upon request.

Accreditation cards will be handed out at the official hotels / competition field.

We are going to create a whatsapp group in order to facilitate the communication, if you want to be included, please send Silvia Fioravanti your mobile phone number (including the country code)

## 15. VISA INFORMATION & TRANSPORTATION

The Italian Para Swimming Federation will facilitate the process of obtaining a visa to enter Italy by issuing a letter of support to be presented at the Italian Embassy in your country. All the participants who need a Visa are asked to contact Valentina Barbera ([v.barbera@finp.it](mailto:v.barbera@finp.it)) no later than August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

For more information on the need for visa for entry Italy, please visit: <https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>

Free transfer service will be provided only to Teams arriving at Olbia Airport and Harbour (15/20 minutes to both hotels). Local transportation between the hotels and the training / race venue will also be arranged. In order to book your transportation service, please fill in the attached form.

The LOC will facilitate airport reception and transportation services upon completion of travel information through the relevant transportation form to be sent to the LOC by the deadline of August 31<sup>st</sup> 2024.

Transfers from other airports can be arranged upon request. We will send you a quote as needed.



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## 16. ACCOMMODATION

Below you find the deadlines to book the accommodation for your teams:

19<sup>th</sup> of July 2024:

Preliminary Accommodation Form and payment of 50% deposit. Please fill in the attached preliminary accommodation form

3<sup>rd</sup> of August 2024:

Final Accommodation Form, rooming list and payment of the balance. Please fill in the attached final accommodation form

In order to book your accommodation, please fill out the accommodation forms and send them to:

[events@smeraldaexperience.com](mailto:events@smeraldaexperience.com) and [openwater.wps.sardinia@gmail.com](mailto:openwater.wps.sardinia@gmail.com)

### \*Rates per room per day in full board:

€ 120,00 in single room

€ 180,00 € in double room



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