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Empowering People

It is in the nature of a major event that it is not just about today, but also about tomorrow, when organisers, institution, sponsors and the communities ask what will be left of this event. It's all about legacy, and those six letters cannot be overstated.

Often enough, and not without good reason, legacy is defined as what remains useful and visible: new sports facilities, improved infrastructure, enhanced quality of life. What is too often overlooked is what is also a legacy - everyone who has contributed to the event, who has made it possible, but who has also moved on in a personal growth process. Therefore, empowering people is one of the noblest causes of major events.

Among many other initiatives, three media projects have been launched for the World University Games Winter.

Firstly, there is the well-known and proven Young Reporter Programme, which is run in cooperation with FISU and the International Federation of Sports Journalists. Twelve young journalists will look at the events in Torino and Piemonte from different angles, going behind the scenes and talking to the stars. Their articles will appear in this magazine, on the FISU website and some on the Eurosport platform.

There is also a collaboration with the "Master di Giornalismo", based in Turin, which focuses especially on topics that link sport with social values.

Last but not least, students from the Bodoni-Paravia technical high school are also involved in the Torino 2025 FISU Games, photographing and filming at various venues, gaining important practical experience for their future careers.

Torino 2025 is following these projects with great interest.

After all, Torino 2025 cannot end on 23 January.





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INDOOR SPORT REVIEW: HOCKEY AND CURLING NEVER STOP

CURLING: Curling is all about precision and dedication. The first session of **women's round robin** began in Torino Pala Tazzoli, where Canada, United States, Japan, Republic of Korea and Sweden won against Poland, China, Norway, United Kingdom and Italy at 9 am. A second session carried on at 7 pm, when Cina, Canada, Italy, Japan and Norway won against United Kingdom, Republic of Korea, Poland, Sweden and United States. The second session of **men's round robin** also began today, when despite their best efforts, Switzerland, Sweden, Ukraine, Italy and China lost against United States, Norway, United Kingdom, Republic of Korea and Canada.

ICE HOCKEY:

The ice is set, the teams are ready, and the competitions carry on. Two **women's matches** took place in Torino Pala Tazzoli: Kazakhstan-United States, ending 0-5; and Japan-Czechia, 0-4. Two were also the **men's competitions** on today's plate: Pinerolo hosted Sweden-Canada, which ended 4-8; while in Torre Pellice saw Polania win against Slovakia.

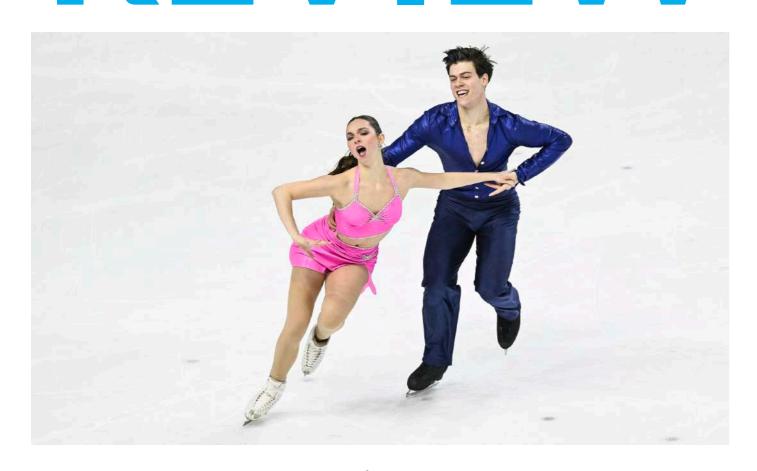






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A TALK WITH ITALY'S ICE DANCE STARS

After the short programme, two pairs representing the host nation Italy reach out for medals. Giulia Isabella Paolino/Andrea Tuba are second only to Sofia Val/Asaf Kazimov from Spain, and Carlotta Argenie-ri/Francesco Riva are in fifth place.

Our DAILY MAGAZIN reporters talked to them...

Giulia Isabella PAOLINO/Andrea TUBA

Paolino: (on the skate today) Very good, we are happy with our performance, we tried to just dance and have fun and perform for the crowd especially since we are in Italy so we wanted to perform for

everyone who is supporting us(on their studies) I just completed my society of arts and am in the process of changing to the communication degree. (on the FD plans) we just really want to show emotions and make the audience feel

Tuba: (on the studies) I do information engineering (on the FD plans) The goal for the whole competition – we don't care about the elements we just want to communicate to the audience and the judges what we work on every day with the coaches.



Carlotta ARGENTIERI/Francesco RIVA ITA

Riva: (on today's skate) I felt very good, I was thinking just to have fun and enjoy the moment (on being the first Italians to skate tonight) I felt the public really warm, so was an incredible emotion for me (on their FD) We have a contemporary song, it's a really intimate, deep song. For the rhythm dance we skated to the soundtrack of Mama Mia and it was fun (on the Italian ice dance tradition) I feel like it's an honour for us we can continue our tradition and feel we have a future as a nation, it's a positive feeling.

Carlotta and Francesco both study law



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ICE DANCE IN THE SIGN OF UPBEAT MUSIC AND LOUD CHEERING

By Virginia Platini

The temperature may be freezing but the spirits are high on the PalaVela ice rink for the rhythm dance competition. The upbeat music, sparkling costumes and amazing talent on display are more than enough to warm up the atmosphere in Turin for the first half of the ice dance contest – which will be completed by

the free dance segment tomorrow evening – and the cheering and clapping of a small but mighty group of schoolchildren is giving the impression of a much bigger crowd than the actual turnout in the venue. The first on the ice are the Armenian skaters Kristina Dobroserdova and Alessandro Pellegrini – both





enrolled in Russian universities based in Moscow followed by Italy's Carlotta Argentieri - a law student from the University of Turin - and Francesco Riva, who dazzled the public with a compilation of Abba songs that made it impossible not to sing along. Then comes Emese Csiszer and Mark Shapiro's stunning performance set to Salt-N-Pepa's What a man: the Hungarian pair both study in Grenoble, and raise money to train on a crowdfunding platform. Almost no time to take in the incredible energy of Philomene Sabourin and Raul Bermejo, representing Spain, and the second Italian pair takes the ice for a number filled with gorgeous lifts, earning a 65.84 which temporarily places them on the highest step of the podium, more than 10 points ahead of the closest competitors. Their joy is short lived, though, as Spanish Sofia Val and Asaf Kasimov – perhaps the best dressed of the afternoon – snatch first place from



them with a mesmerizing dance set to I was made for loving you by Kiss and firmly position themselves at the top of the chart, where they'll remain until the end. Sweden's retro costumes and 60's music – much enjoyed by the audience – aren't enough to land them farther up than 9th, but their disappointment is swiftly replaced by Lou Terreaux and Noe Perron's joy as the French partners score a season best of 65.17 and climb the ranks to third place.

Polish Sofiia Dovhal – who hails from Odessa, Ukraine, and only just became a polish citizen at the end of 2024 – and Wiktor Kulesza obtain 7th place, while French Eva Bernard and Amedeo Bonetto, both students at Grenoble University, only manage to score 10th. Ukrainian nationals Mariia Pinchuk and Mykyta Pogorielov, from Kharkiv State Academy of Physical Education, end the lineup with a well deserved fourth placement.

Ukraine's Biathlets Claim Mixed Relay Gold



PRAGELATO RUA, 16 January – The single mixed relay biathlon event delivered an exhilarating contest marked by precise shooting, relentless skiing, and dramatic finishes. Ukraine with Oleksandra Merkushyna and Serhii Suprun emerged as the unchallenged victors, mastering both the skis and the range to take the gold medal. Merkushyna set a solid foundation with her consistent shooting and speed, while Suprun's commanding final leg sealed Ukraine's gold medal victory. Their seamless transitions and sharp accuracy on the shooting range with no penalty at all proved decisive.

Czechia's single mixed relay with Svatava Mikyskova and Petr Hak showed determination, with Mikyskova's steady shooting with no extra rounds

and Hak's power on the skis keeping them in contention for gold. Ultimately, they secured a well-deserved silver, 16.7 seconds behind Ukraine.

The Polish duo with **Anna Nedza-Kubiniec** and **Jakub Potoniec** delivered a strong performance. Despite a penalty round of Nedza-Kubiniec in her last shooting, Potoniec brought the race home in a tightly contested battle for bronze against Kazakhstan – taking the lead on the final meters before the finish line.

The event highlighted the intensity and excitement of the single mixed biathlon relays, with fast-paced action between the fast switches between the two athletes and tactical decisions keeping spectators and team mates alike on the edge of their seats.

Flash Quotes

Winner: Ukraine

Oleksandra Merkushyna: Watching Serhii on his last laps was thrilling. I know he is a good athlete, and even though I was quite nervous about the shooting, I was sure that he will do. I myself focused at the prone shooting just on myself, but at the standing I knew the situation and where we were in the race. I saw that there was some time between us, so I decided to not to be too risky at the standing shooting and tried to focus more on delivering a good round. And it did work! To win with the team is a feeling on a whole other level. It makes me feel really happy, like this is one of the happiest moments in my life and to be on the podium with your teammate, is really a special thing.

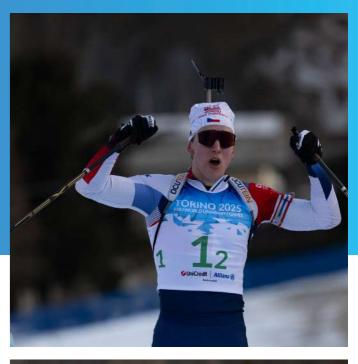
Second: Czechia Petr Hak: On my last lap I actually saw all those other guys up the hill, so I knew I was in the fourth position. I decided to just give it my all, to get on the podium. And to even make it to second place, is so special. The emotions are always bigger when you do it in the team than in the individual competitions, so this is really a nice medal. Svatava Mikyskova: It was stressful to watch Petr, but I knew he is great. I am also really happy with my race, especially my clean shooting.

Third: Poland

Anna Nedza-Kubiniec: The competitions in the relays are more stressful than when we compete alone so I am really excited about this medal. Jakub Potoniec: The first part of the last lap I decided to save some energy to have it ready on the last metres and attack at the last metres and overtake my opponent. I am very glad it worked out.

PREVIEW:

The action shifts back to Pragelato Plan on 17 January, where the sprint (classic) races in





cross-country skiing and para cross-country skiing will take place. The men's sprint heats will kick off at 09:30, followed by the women's sprints at 12:00. With high-speed skiing and tight turns, these events promise thrilling head-to-head battles for the podium. In biathlon, competitors will take a day to regroup and prepare for the sprint races on 18 January, where athletes will face off in short, intense races that test both speed and precision.

Hugs, Laughter, and Competition: Melezet Hosts Para Alpine Skiing Super-G Races

By Valeria Schröter



Melezet's slopes were the setting for an exciting day of **para alpine skiing in the Super-G category.** On January 16th, student-athletes competed across three different categories, vision impaired, standing, and sitting, bringing their passion and determination on the slopes.

The Italian Martina Vozza, the only athlete in the vision impaired category, along with her guide Ylenia Sabidussi, inaugurated the course. By the end of the race, both were satisfied, as they had the opportunity to test the track, which will be the same for the World Cup. The relationship between the athlete and the guide is a special bond: for Vozza and Sabidussi,

it's nice to have someone with whom to share their passion and experience.

Poland's **Michal Golas** and Germany's **Alexander Rauen** competed in the vision impaired category for men. Golas and his guide, Kacper Walas, posted the best time. "I was fast, and I had a lot of trust in my guide." Their bond is also very strong, as they have been training together for three years. Kacper started his guiding experience with Michal. Learning to communicate with each other is the most difficult part, but it seems to be going well. Alexander Rauen acknowledges that it wasn't his best performance, as he was very tired, but he smiles saying "Overall, it

was okay." He studies economics at the University of Innsbruck and explained that it's not easy to balance university and sports. He doesn't have the same routine and free time as other students, which often presents a challenge. His guide, Jeremias Wilke, is very happy with the inclusion initiative of the FISU Games, where the Paralympic disciplines take place alongside those of the other athletes. He also appreciated the condition of the track, which had been a bit bumpier in previous days. All participating athletes agreed on the excellent conditions of the course. In the men's standing category, the best time was set by the French athlete Oscar Burnham. It was unfortunate for the Italian athlete Giorgio Napoli, who fell. He laughed with his teammates at the bottom of the slope, joking that he expected it. There is a great atmosphere among the athletes, most of whom have known each other for a long time and consider each other friends. In the women's category, the fastest was the French athlete **Aurelie Richard**, followed by the Spanish Maria Martin-Granizo Ferreiro. They were the only two participants, so Maria laughed saying that the podium was guaranteed. "I was scared at first; this was my first super-G." Maria is only an 18 years old student at the University of La Rioja, and her excitement was evident in her eyes. Her friend Audrey Pascual Seco was the only participant in the sitting category. She too was happy to have had the chance to test the course, in preparation for the World Cup.

In the sitting men's category, Chile was dominant with **Nicolas Bisquertt Hudson** and he was thrilled with his result. As he was speaking, he got distracted watching the giant slalom races, clearly showing his passion. "We came here to ski well, to the best of our abilities, and we did it."











Martina Vozza: defying barriers

By Young Reporter Bianca Caramelli

Following shadows, she conquers. Few days ago, Martina Vozza and her guide Ylenia Sabidussi celebrated their first World Cup downhill victory, in Santa Caterina Valfurva. Now, she just faced the Torino 2025 World University Games Winter. The 20-year-old visually impaired para-alpine skier claimed gold in the Super-G on Thursday and she is set to appear in the Slalom on Saturday. However, despite her young age, Martina is well-versed in competing at a high level.

Vozza's passion began when she was a kid. Her family believed in the importance of sport and its values. At

eight years old she joined a ski club, and she chose to pursue skiing at an advanced level when she was a teenager: no better decision could be made.

She **debuted** in the 2021 World Para Snow Sports Championships in Lillehammer, Norway, where she won the third place in the slalom. At only 17 years old, she **qualified** for the 2022 Bejing Paralympics. This achievement trascended both her and her personal story. In fact, the 2022 Winter Games set a record with 138 women para-athletes participating. However, significant progress remains to be made, as they represented only 23% of the total athletes.

This is what makes Martina Vozza's story so significant. Representation matters. Thanks to her journey, countless other girls could be inspired by her to pursue sports, whether competitively or not. Martina said that throughout her career she looked up at one of the greatest, the United States alpine skier Lindsey Vonn. Now, she can become a role-model herself. When asked about this, Vozza stated: «I sincerely aspire to serve as a positive example for young girls. I wish the Paralympic world was more widely recognized, so more people could find inspiration in me and the incredible athletes I compete alongside».

However, Martina is not alone. Her relationship with Ylenia Sabidussi is a true symbol of power and sisterhood. Seeing them competing, communicating, acing the races and possibly winning is motivating. It shows that women can be stronger together. Just in

the span of last year, they won two silvers and eight bronzes in the "visually impaired" category. Sabidussi said: «Our bond is essential for us because we must go fast and one of us has limited vision, making our connection truly vital. But it's also a beautiful thing – to share an experience like this. Even in everyday life, without any particular challenges, it's always nice to have someone by your side to talk to and confide in».

These are the reasons why Martina Vozza is such an incredible athlete. In this edition of the Winter World University Games, Paralympic athletes will compete alongside all other participants. **It never happened before.** This is an historic moment and Vozza will be part of this pivotal event, proudly representing her Italian team.







Chable, Skabar, Barata

The men's combined alpine skiing competition came to an end with a Swiss victory The top six positions were all played out in a time of 1:40 seconds, with only a few tenths of a second separating them. For Loic Chable, it was a great day. The winner of the Super G in the morning was also the strongest in Slalom and took gold. Silver went to Jonas Skabar from France who moved from 11th at halftime to second, and Spain's Tomas Barata made the podium after a fourth place in the Super G to take bronze.

Loic, can you briefly describe your victory and experience with the FISU Games?

It was really great. I absolutely wanted to win, and I'm happy I did. I already participated two years ago, and I had a great time. I really wanted to come back.

Such a big event, at this level, doesn't happen often.

How do you manage your studies and sport? In the future do you see yourself as an athlete or studying and working?

I study real estate economics. I went to the United States to do that. They have a great system there. You can do sport in the morning and study in the afternoon.

I definitely want to be an athlete, but I might need to work. To be ready to manage my future, I will also continue studying.

There is still plenty of skiing to see at the FISU Games in Torino 2025: tomorrow, the men's and women's Super G will be held in Bardonecchia.









Snowboard Slopestyle Qualifications as Appetizer for Today's Finals

Bardonecchia - Selette, 16 January - The snowboard slopestyle competitions of the 32nd FISU World University Games Winter took place today. The leading female qualifier was Tinkara Tanja Valcl (SLO), whereas in the men's competition it was Ryoji Fujiya (JPN) who qualified comfortably for the finals in first place.

Qualification took place on another bright and sunny day in Bardonecchia, with a slight breeze. Despite the persisting cold weather, British athlete Fraser Jamieson competed in just a t-shirt. He almost exclusively trains on dry slopes in the UK and today was only his third day on the snow this season. Unfortunately, Fraser struggled a bit today, falling off the first rail, ending in 17th position but he finished his qualification with a smile. On the women's side we saw two DNSs, resulting in a start list consisting of just five athletes, all who had automatic qualification for tomorrow's final.

Tinkara Tanja Valcl of Slovenia, wearing BIB number

2, was the oldest among the participants of the female field. She is also the Slovenian national champion in Big Air. She showed off her experience and variability with an exceptional second run, scoring 75.25 points, putting her in first position, 28 points more than the second placed Amy McCarthy (CAN).

Tinkara Tanja Valcl (SLO) said, "These are my second FISU Games, as I also went to Lake Placid in 2023. It is always the same with these Games, they bring out the best in people and you make new friends, which is the best part. I am finishing up my master's degree in biotechnology at the University of Ljubljana. I am hoping to make some changes in medicine, maybe in the field of reproductive issues."

Abril Casco (ARG) said, "It was great to see other countries competing for once, as I have mainly competed in my home country in Patagonia where I study Physical Education. I am happy that everyone got through to the final. I'm in 3rd place and took it carefully in the first run then I took more risks in the second run".

Cayman Chen (USA) said, "I just decided to treat it as a training run. In the first run I didn't hit any of the jumps to be sure it was a clean run for the final, in the second run I improved my score. Hopefully I can improve my landings tomorrow especially at the bottom but it's great because I'm friends with all





the girls now. The atmosphere is very friendly and supportive."

Ella Thunen (USA) said, "It's great to make friends and I've enjoyed collecting points at my first FISU Games. I've only been boarding for two years, just a season and a half, but I'm skier as well."

In the men's qualifications, Ryoji Fujiya (JPN) blew everyone away, scoring very high in the first run, enough to comfortably qualify for the final. Fujiya was not satisfied just yet though, as he improved on his already high score in his second run, making him the clear favourite going into the finals.

Ryoji Fujiya (JPN) said, "In the final we will have to

take into account the wind direction. Today it was difficult to adjust the speed as it varied greatly with the wind. I am very pleased to go to the finals finishing first in the qualifications."

Leopold Frey (GER) said, "It is very smart in the qualifications not to do too much, just to have a clean run. Now that I am through to the final, I will have to step it up, but this round was all about getting something on the scoresheet that gets you through. The course is not that easy, perhaps the jumps are not ideal for everyone. It seems like they did not have a lot of time and a lot of snow when building the slope, which seems to have caused the slope builders to have improvised a bit, but they still did a very solid job, everything is rideable, but maybe not everyone

can do as much as they wanted."

Thom Vogel (NED) said, "I mostly train and compete indoors. Training outdoors is very different, some parts that helped me from training indoors is that everything is very compact, which is also the case here at the games, so that played in my favour. However, outdoors it all goes a bit slower, and it is all a little bigger."

Kai Groeneveld (NED) said, "Nothing went to plan today. The first run was not really what I hoped for, and the second run I crashed. It was a bit of a nervous day. The Japanese always go crazy, we knew that from the start."

Ožbe Kuhar (SLO) said, "I was the first non-qualifier today. The conditions were very good, but Slopestyle is not my specialty. I am also competing in the Big Air, which is more my specialty, so I look forward to that."

PREVIEW:

The slopestyle finals are planned for tomorrow, Friday 17, in Bardonecchia, where we will see who will be crowned the FISU queen and king of Slopestyle. We will see many of these athletes in action as well on Saturday, when the Big Air competition starts.



Competition review: freestyle skiing moguls (M/W)

BARDONNECHIA, 16 January 2025 – The third day of Freestyle Skiing competition continued this morning on Sellette Pista 25, in the Bardonnechia ski area, with the M&W Slopestyles qualifications. The 15 young women and 18 men tried to qualify for tomorrow's finals. The conditions were excellent, particularly in terms of visibility.

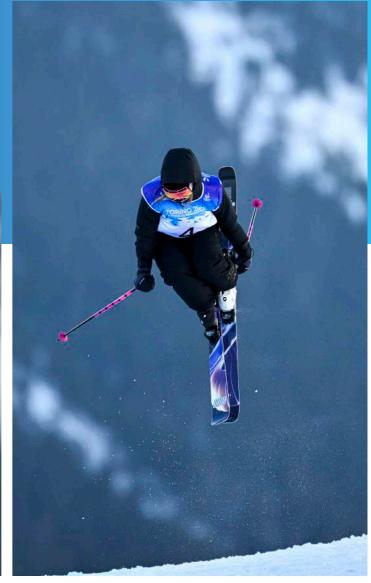
The women's final will be European. The two French women competing in Bardonnechia in the Slopestyle event, Amélie CANCEL and Victoire TILLIER, first and fourth respectively this morning, will be vying for a medal in the final. The other 4 finalists are Lara Jane SHAW, UK, Marilia ANIICHYN, Ukraine, Fernanda BECKER-EHMCK, Germany and Viivi PALJARVI, Finland.

In the men's race, it was the Slovenian, Stefan SO-ROKIN who led this morning's session ahead of the Frenchman, Hugo PICQUET. The event was also dominated by the Europeans, who left only one place vacant for Korea's Jong Hyun YOON, who took third place. The 12 finalists will meet again in conditions similar to this morning to battle it out for the title of world champion.

PREVIEW:

The women's finals kick off tomorrow at 10:00 with the first heat. The second heat starts at 10:15. The men will continue with their first heat at 11:00. Second starts at 11:30







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Historic Ski Mountaineering Gold for France and Germany

Competition under the stars, but also under the snow, in Sestriere, for the 47 men and women who took part in the night sprint competition of Ski Mountaneering, a discipline that will appear for the first time at the FISU Games in Turin in 2025 and will be one of the protagonists of the Olympic Games in Milano-Cortina in 2026.

In the women's final, France's **Margot Ravinel**, a student at INSA-Lyon, won the first historic Ski Mo medal with a time of 4:45.80, ahead of Spain's **Maria Ordonez Cobacho**, from the University of Granada, who finished in 5:04.86, less than three seconds behind her compatriot **Ares Torres**, from the University of Vic-Central Cataluña, with a time of 5:07.21.

"For my school, this competition is very important because it promotes university sport very much and it is also very strong", said the Frenchwoman, excited and satisfied with her performance. "I am really happy to be able to bring home this result, which is so important for them, and share it with the other French athletes. It's the first time for ski mountaineering at the FISU Games and it's great to be here. I would like our sport to be more and more known and practised so that I can also compare myself with other athletes and grow".

Instead, the Iberian athletes celebrated happily and hugged each other, saying together: "This medal means hard work. A big thank you to everyone

who trained with us. I'm just so happy," Ares Torres added, "being a student athlete can be complicated because of the hard study and training and I'm really happy to be here.

In the men's race, Germany's **Elias Hosch**, Technical University of Munich, took the top step of the podium, winning the gold medal by just 80 hundredths of a second (3:59.90) ahead of France's **Pablo Giner**, Grenoble Institute of Political Studies, who finished in 4:00.70. The bronze medal went to Germany's **Felix Tobi Gramelsberger**, Triagon Academy, in 4:12.96.

"Every event is important to me, but this is a big international event and today is definitely a big day to remember. I enjoy competing in Italy, the home of ski mountaineering, and seeing so many people who appreciate our sport. My dream now is to finish university and concentrate on my sporting career and my Olympic dream," said winner Elias Hosch.

"It was a good and challenging race. The course is very steep and there is never time to recover, which made it very difficult. I am happy with this second place", said Pablo Giner, followed by Felix Tobi Gramelsberger who said: "It's great, I'm happy to be here. I'm finished!"

The **next appointment** in ski mountaineering is tomorrow with the qualification and the A and B finals of the mixed relays, again in the evening from 18.15.





JESTALS ALIST

Check out podium's images from yesterday's medalling competitions.



BIATHLON SINGLE MIXED RELAY (M/W) Athletes from left to right: Petr HACK, Svatava MIKISKOVA (CZE), Serhii SUPRUN, Aleksandra MERKUSHYNA (UKR), Jacub



PARA ALPINE SKIING SUPER-G STANDING (M) Athletes from left to right: Arthur BAUCHET (FRA), Oscar BURNHAM (FRA), Jules SEGERS (FRA)



PARA ALPINE SKIING SUPER-G VISION IMPARED (M) Athletes from left to right: Alexander RAVEN Guide: Jeremias WILKE (GER), Michal GOLAS Guide: Kacper WALAS (POL)



PARA ALPINE SKIING SUPER-G SITTING (M) Athletes from left to right: Jernej SLIVNIK (SLO), Nicolas BISQUERT HUDSON (CHI), Lion Elies GENSERT (GER)



PARA ALPINE SKIING SUPER-G SITTING (W) Athlete: Audrey PASCUAL SECO (ESP)



PARA ALPINE SKIING SUPER-G VISION IMPAIRED (W) Athlete: Martina VOZZA, Guida Ylenia SABIDUSSI (ITA)



PARA ALPINE SKIING SUPER-G VISION STANDING (W) Athletes from left to right: Maria MARTIN-GRANIZO (ESP), Aurelia RICHARD (FRA)



ALPINE SKIING COMBINED (M) Athletes from left to right: Jonas SKABAR (FRA), Loic CHABLE (SUI), Tomas BARATA MERCADAL (ESP)

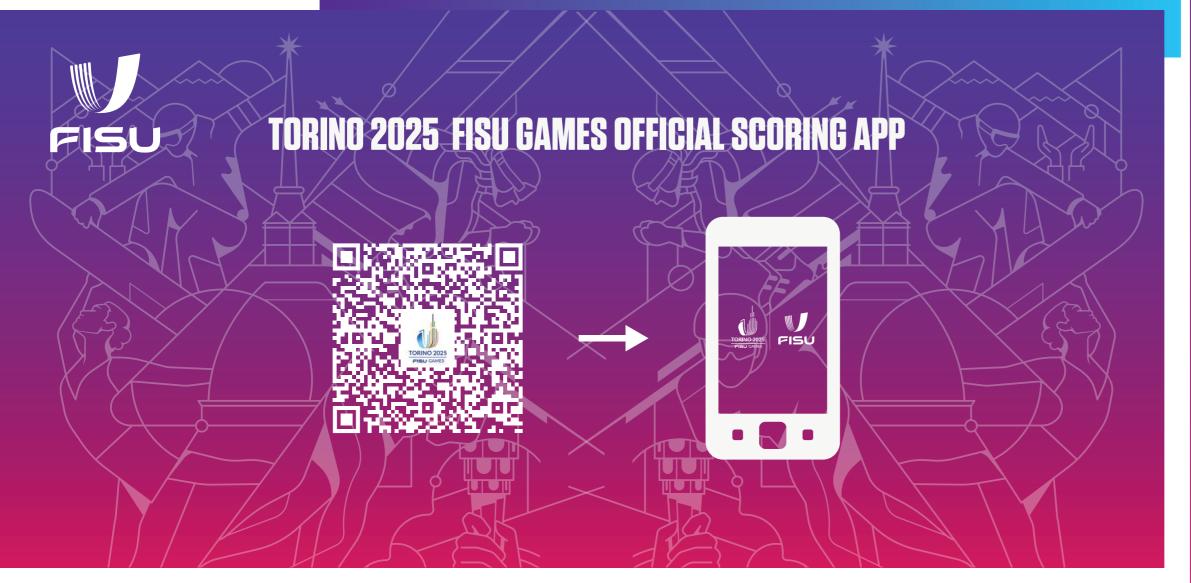


SKI MOUNTAINEERING WOMEN'S SPRINT Athletes from left to right: Marie Ordonez COBACHO (ESP), Margot RAVINER (FRA), Ares TORRA (ESP)



Athletes from left to right: Pablo GINER (FRA), Finn Elias Hosch (GER), Felix Tobias GRAMELSBERGER (GER)

LIME SCORING



Dear All, we are pleased to remember that TORINO 2025 official scoring app is available on Google Play Store. Scan the QR Code above and follow all the results anytime, anywhere!

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DAY 5: WE ARE IN THE THICK OF IT!

We're in the thick of FISU Games and our student-athletes must be feeling the pressure of it all. However, a calm mind must be kept to ensure the best result.

Yesterday, January 16th, the race continued in Bardonecchia for para-student-athletes who competed in men's and women's para-alpine skiing super G; and men's alpine combined slalom in Bardonecchia Melezet.

Biathlon mixed relay, 6km women and 7.5 km men, captivated Pragelato Rua. Not even the darkness could stop our student-athletes who competed in ski mountaineering at 7:30 pm in Sestriere, after an afternoon of qualifications. Today, January 17th, the road to the medals is still long for hockey, nonetheless, the preliminary rounds continue in our venues.

Pinerolo will host Republic of Korea-Sweden at 4:30 pm and Kazakhstan-Czechia at 8:00 pm. Japan will play against Polonia at 4:30 pm and United States against Ukraine at 8:00 pm, both in Torre Pellice.

Curling round robin continues in Torino Pala Tazzoli, with women's third and fourth sessions at 8 am and 4 pm, and men's third and fourth sessions at 12 pm and 8 pm, every session will have five matches, for a total of twenty hockey matches in today's programme. If you have gold fever and you want to find out how many medals will be awarded today, keep reading and be sure you don't miss the next pages.



















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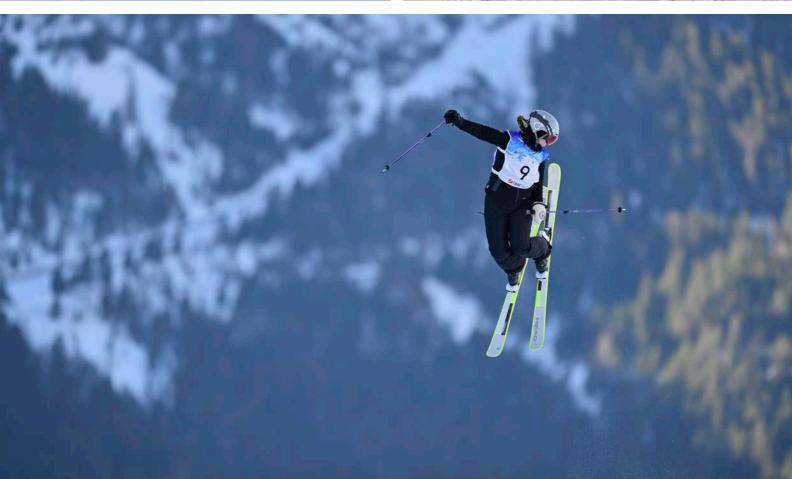


This Friday **all the Torino 2025 FISU World University Games Winter venues** will be busy. We're expecting a full house today in Pragelato Plan, with a schedule filled with **cross-country skiing.** Women's and men's cross-country sprint classic will have a round of qualifications and semi-finals before reaching the finals at 2:20 pm and 2:30 pm. Women's **para-cross country** sprint classic will be held from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm. On the other hand, men's para-cross country sprint classic is going to be divided into two categories: vision impaired and standing, both at 12:10 pm. Bardonecchia's hands will also be full today and **slopestyle** will be at the centre of attention. The morning will revolve around women's and men's freestyle & freeski slopestyle, respectively at 10:15 am and 11:30 am, leading up to snowboard slopestyle in the afternoon, at 1:20 pm for the women and at 2:10 pm for the men. Following up, a **figure skating** free dance will take place in Palavela at 7:45 pm and two **ski mountaineering** finals at 7:18 pm and 8:10 pm in Sestriere.









MAKING OF THE GAMES

TORINO 2025 FISU GAMES: CULTURE & ENVIRONMENT

THE FLAME

"La Guarini" - Torino 2025 FISU Games Flame

"LA GUARINI", the torch for the XXXII FISU World University Games Winter Torino 202 was unveiled to the world for the first time on January 23rd 2024 at Castello del Valentino, the historic headquarters of Politecnico di Torino. Sport is a tool for change, a vehicle for training, growth, integration and inclusion, and this is why at Torino 2025 Games for the first time, student-athletes and para-student-athletes are competing on the same slopes and in the same races, in the disciplines of Alpine skiing and cross-country skiing (Standing, Sitting and Visually Impaired categories). There are four goals of the United Nations 2030 Agenda that the Organising Committee of Torino 2025 World University Winter Games has set itself to achieve: Good health and well-being for people (goal No. 3), Equal and quality education (No. 4), Gender equality (No. 5), Sustainable cities and communities (No. 11). Sustainability, rights and values, in the perspective of the third millennium then. Sport is an opportunity to overcome barriers, conquering spaces even in the world of culture and business, thanks to the valuable contribution of young university students. It is with this spirit that the Torino 2025 Torch project was born, becoming the bearer of universal values and messages with the involvement of young people, university



students and civil society.

Piedmontese Universities, perfectly embodying the spirit of FISU Games, have made valuable contributions to the development of cultural projects complementing the competitions, showcasing the vibrant cultural dynamism of the region. Politecnico di Torino, supported Torino 2025 FISU Games by designing the iconic Torch "La Guarini" organising the Workshop: "THE TORCH AND THE BRAZIER FOR

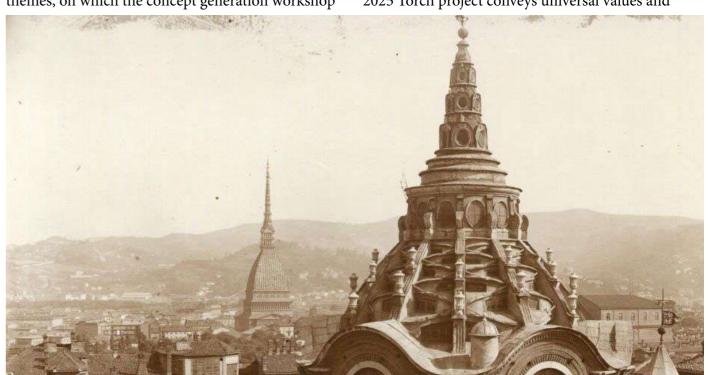
2025: Designing the Winter Universiade" tutored by Professor Luigi Bistagnino, former lecturer at Politecnico di Torino and Professor Cristian Campagnaro, coordinator of the College of Design of Politecnico di Torino and scientific head of the project's development process.

The Organising Committee of the XXXII FISU World University Games Winter Torino 2025 entrusted students from Politecnico di Torino's Design curricula with realizing the Torino 2025 torch concept. Two central topics were explored and valorised during the design delineation: the territory's material culture and historical background, with particular attention to Baroque architecture, which strongly identifies the City of Torino. Those were the starting points for the project developed by three students of the Bachelor's Degree in Design and Communication at Politecnico di Torino: Gianluca Basile, Giovanni Bergadano, and Matteo Bizzarri, led by Prof. Luigi Bistagnino, Prof. Cristian Campagnaro, and Alessandro Campanella.

Within the exploration of local cultural heritage themes, on which the concept generation workshop

focused, an important role was played by the works of one of the most original interpreters of Piedmontese Baroque, architect Camillo Guarino Guarini. The dome of the Chapel of the Holy Shroud in Torino Cathedral, designed by Guarini, is one of the most innovative masterpieces of this movement. The dome is characterised by a composition of concentric hexagons that, on six levels, rise upwards with baskets that allow light to enter, creating illusory plays of light and shadow. At the heart of the concept of 'La Guarini' is precisely the reference to the concentric geometries of the dome and the tension towards light. 'La Guarini' is designed in such a way that it has a dual function: it is a torch when held and an object of illumination when placed on a plane.

Developed in collaboration with Rimani S.r.l., Vibel Group S.r.l., and virtuaLAB- Politecnico di Torino, the torch also emphasises the importance of sustainable and conscious design, using LED power instead of gas. Sport transcends the boundaries of disciplines and explores the world of sustainability, culture and enterprise. With this spirit, the Torino 2025 Torch project conveys universal values and



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Politecnico di Torino, with over 160 years of history, stands as an academic and scientific benchmark in the fields of engineering, architecture, design, and urban planning in both the Italian and European landscape.

Its research addresses the significant challenges posed by the ecological, digital, and social transitions we are experiencing. The University was founded in 1859 by the School of Application for Engineers and the Italian Industrial Museum, becoming Regio Politecnico di Torino in 1906.

Today, Politecnico di Torino generates substantial value for the region and is recognized by international rankings as one of the leading technical universities in Europe, with nearly 40,000 students, 20% of whom come from 115 different countries worldwide.

At Politecnico di Torino, education and research are integrated, forming a system that materializes through collaborations with top universities and research centre globally, and agreements with major international industrial groups. The University's activity extends to its more recent mission, which focuses





on transferring knowledge to society and sharing expertise. The University's values are also reflected in the principles of sport: physical activity is considered a cornerstone of individual well-being and a key element in educational pathways, technological innovation, and fostering a strong sense of community through a shared sports identity, which serves as a distinctive feature and an attraction for international students.

For this reason, Politecnico promotes sports practice across its community at all levels, with a special focus on inclusivity and equal opportunities. It supports student-athletes and University Teams through programs like Dual Career, which offers scholarships and other benefits. It strengthens the connection between sport and technology through academic

pathways dedicated to sports infrastructure, innovative materials, data analytics, and, starting this year, it participates in the FISU Healthy Campus program to improve and monitor the well-being and health of the entire student community.

Lastly, Politecnico is committed to promoting sports by engaging the public, bringing major city sports events, such as the ATP Finals and Torino 2025 FISU Games, into the University. It has also contributed to these events by designing and creating the torch and cauldron, thanks to a team of students coordinated by professors from the University's Design courses.

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