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JUMPING VERONA: ONLY TWO WEEKS TO GO!

The organisational machine is full speed ahead with preparations in full swing for Jumping Verona 2022, the fourth leg of the Western Europe league of the Longines FEI Show Jumping World Cup™. The names of the Italians riders taking to the field have already been announced. Comments by Coach Marco Porro.

Especially as regards sporting events, **excellence is well and truly at home** at **Fieracavalli** and expectations for the upcoming international appointment with **Jumping Verona** are growing day by day.

All the top names competing in the **CSI5*W**, with the grand prix closing the **Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™**, the fourth stage of the Western Europe Group of the historic indoor show jumping world circuit, will be announced on Friday, once the definitive registrations are finalised.



Lorenzo De Luca and F One USA, the best Italian horse & rider team for the World Cup Grand Prix at Jumping Verona 2021 - photo JV/M.Proli

The Italian Federation of Equestrian Sports, in the meantime, late in the afternoon yesterday already announced the ten riders called up to take the field and represent Italy in this highly selective context.

They are: **Piergiorgio Bucci**, **Lorenzo De Luca**, **Emanuele Gaudiano**, **Giulia Martinengo Marquet**, **Riccardo Pisani**and **Francesco Turturiello** - having already their places in the line-up for the Grand Prix.

They are joined by: **Filippo Bologni** and **Valentina Isoardi** (who have to qualify from the previous categories valid for this purpose), as well as young riders **Lorenzo Correddu** (2003) and **Guido Franchi**, included in the team but without competing in the World Cup Grand Prix.

Thanks to the wild cards issued by the organizing committee, the Italian starting line-up also includes **Francesco Correddu** (22 years old on 8 December and Lorenzo's older brother) who earned his qualification by recently winning the Coppa degli Assi Grand Prix at the Militello international event in Val di Catania, **Giacomo Casadei** (20 years old last 1 September), **Guido Grimaldi** and **Roberto Previtali**.

"The Italian team combines experience and future talent in bringing together a number of riders who are genuine cornerstones of Italian jumping and promising youngsters who are improving all the time who we are relying on a great deal for the future," said the Coach of the national show jumping team, **Marco Porro**. "The event in Verona is massively important for our riders. The line-up is always extraordinary and comparison with riders of the very highest calibre on home ground generates motivation that is quite different from any other competition. We are ready and roaring to go."

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