

Fieracavalli

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Fieracavalli Endurance Cup on the way to WEC 2022

The National Endurance Championships ended today

Isola della Scala, 29 may 2021 – The **Fieracavalli Endurance Cup** is a CEI 3* international endurance equestrian competition came to an end in Isola della Scala, near Verona.

The competition attracted 105 pairs from 12 countries and was an **FEI** test event ahead of the assignment of the **2022 World Endurance Championships** to the town in the province of Verona.

The Italian Endurance Championships (medals awarded for CEI 3* 160 km (absolute), CEI 2* 120km and CEI 1* 100km categories) this year saw the United States take the podium in the CEI 3* category with **Jeremy Reynolds** riding Treasured Moments. The CEI 2* and CEI 1* categories were respectively won by Italians **Federico Milan** with Dynamik Charriere AA and **Carmine Calvanese** on AJ Lafi. Top place in the CEI 2* ladies category went to **Caterina Coppini** riding Antares by Nimiroz.

And our thoughts immediately go to 2022, with the **FEI Commission** on hand in the area during the event not only to evaluate all the technical aspects of the **160 km route** but also to take a closer look at **hospitality and hotel venues** in an area that for many years has seen horses at the heart of its **promotion of slow and sustainable tourism**.

Collaboration between **Veronafiere-Fieracavalli**, the **Local Council with Fiera di Isola della Scala** and **Garda Endurance** saw the International Equestrian Federation decide to choose this venue as the home to the World Endurance Championships 2022. This will be a vital opportunity for internationalization and promotion of all the natural beauties and typical features of the area, starting from **PGI Nano Vialone rice** which, in addition to being a characteristic ingredient of excellence in local gastronomy, obviously also defines a unique landscape. The land, made sandy by the presence of rice fields, is also a perfect base for long-distance events on horseback.

The 160 km route through rice and other fields and hills, is seen by local communities as a **heritage that must be preserved**, just like the relationship with horses.

Inasmuch, sport will also help promote slow tourism in the saddle: the competition route will in fact become one of the most important **bridleways** in landscape terms which, thanks to its appeal, will generate allied business in the local area as part of a vital virtuous circle.

One hundred and fifty pairs from more than **40 countries** are expected in 2022 which, in turn, will stimulate varied and international *incoming* tourism sharing passion for horses and their landscape.