Team Information Package

Oristano 2026 Para Dance Sport European Championships

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1 General information

1.1 World Abilitysport /World Para Dance Sport (WPDS)

Head of Development	Craig Carscadden
Chief Executive Officer	Harry Cootes

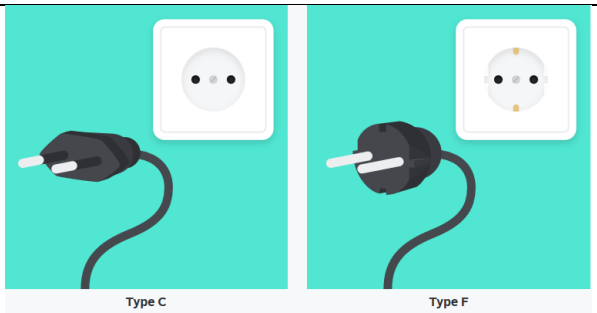
1.2 Local Organising Committee (LOC)

Project Lead	TBD
Master of Ceremony	Mrs Chiara Fina and Mr Andrea Paffumi
Audio & Visual Technology	Mr Enrico Benes and Mr Andrea Usai
Scrutineers	Mr Fabio Temperini
DJ	Mr Andrea Lecca
Event Branding	TBD
Public Relations and Communication	TBD
Broadcasting	TBD
Marketing & Commercial	TBD
Government Relations	TBD
Accomodation, Protocol and Events	Mrs Alice Ronsval
Doping Control	ITA (International Testing Agency)
Medical Services	Red Cross Oristano

1.3 Information about Host Country and City

Oristano is an Italian city and and is the capital of the Province of Oristano in the central-western part of the island of Sardinia. It is located on the northern part of the Campidano plain. As of December 2017, the city had 31,671 inhabitants.
The economy of Oristano is based mainly on services, agriculture, tourism and small industries.

Location	Oristano, Italy
Local Time	Central European Time (CET) (UTC + 1)
Official Language	Italian
Climate	Mediterranean climate Average weather (September) • Average high °C: 25 • Average low °C: 19 • Average rain mm: 3.1
Currency	Euro €
Drinking water	All tap water has drinking quality in Italy.
Driving	Right-hand side drive EU, EEA or International Driving Permit required
Electricity	For Italy there are two associated plug types: C and F. Plug type C is the plug which has two round pins and plug type F is the plug which has two round pins with two earth clips on the side. Italy operates on a 230V supply voltage and 50Hz.

	
Shopping	Supermarkets and retail shops are normally open on Sundays.
Useful telephone numbers	All the utilities numbers (Ambulance, Fire, Police) answer on 112 Doctors' Emergency Call Centre: 800 893 580

1.4 General programme (provisional)

Date	Time	Activity	Location
18-19 November	All day	Team Arrivals	Cagliari Elmas "Mario Mameli" Airport
19 November	From 15:00	Training	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
19 November	As per schedule	Classification	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
19 November	TBD	Team Leaders Meeting	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
20 November	TBD	1st Day of Competition	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
20 November	TBD	Official Opening of the European Championships	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
20 November	TBD	Victory Ceremonies Session	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
21 November	TBD	2nd Day of Competition	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
21 November	TBD	Victory Ceremonies Session	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
22 November	TBD	3rd Day of Competition	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
22 November	TBD	Victory Ceremonies Session	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
22 November	TBD	Official Closing of the European Championships	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
22 November	TBD	Post-event celebration for teams	"Sa Rodia" Sport Venue
23 November	All day	Team Departures	Cagliari Elmas "Mario Mameli" Airport

2 Travel to Oristano

2.1 Arrivals and Departures

The official airport of arrival and departure for Oristano 2026 Para Dance Sport European Championships is the **Cagliari Elmas "Mario Mameli" Airport**. The LOC will provide support from the airport to the hotels.
Each team will be provided with individual arrival and departure information per email.
All teams are reminded to read the instructions provided carefully and distribute it to team members not in a group.
Any changes to your travel schedule need to be communicated to the LOC's secretariat at loc.eu.champ@gmail.com

2.2 Insurances

Each National Federation and/or National Paralympic Committee/member Organisation is responsible for the appropriate insurance covering accidents, health, property and liability of their team.

3 Accreditation

3.1 Accreditation access

Team members are always required to wear their Accreditation Badge to enter the official European Championships Venue. They should wear it in a manner that it is clearly visible to venue staff.

The Accreditation Badge is not transferable and only permits entry to the individual for whom it is issued. Misuse of an Accreditation Badge may result in the cancellation of accreditation.

3.2 Loss of Accreditation Badge

In case of loss or theft of an Accreditation Badge, please report it immediately to Mr. Michelangelo Buonarrivo. In order to obtain a new accreditation badge, the team member must report to the LOC Office, accompanied by their Team Leader, carrying an appropriate identification document. A lost or damaged Accreditation Badge will be cancelled in the accreditation system, and a lost Accreditation Badge, later found, should be returned to the LOC Office for secure disposal.

4 Accommodation

4.1 Accommodation programme

Room configuration requests will be allocated to the teams on a first-come, first-served basis. All rates can be provided as full board services if chosen and paid for it.

Official check in time at all hotels is 14:00 and check out time is 11:00. The LOC will endeavour to assist teams with any early arrival/late checkout requirements.

Please note, the teams must settle any additional costs (telephone, laundry, minibar, meeting room bookings, damages, etc.) directly with the hotel reception desk prior to departure. The LOC will not be responsible for any additional charges.

4.2 Official Hotel

The official hotels for the Teams, Sport Technical Officials and LOC workforce is:

Accommodation	Address
Hostel Rodia	Viale Repubblica - 09170 Oristano
Hotel Mistral	Via Martiri di Belfiore 2 - 09170 Oristano
Mistral 2 Hotel	Via XX Settembre 34 - 09170 Oristano

4.3 Accreditation Fees

OPTION 1 - FULL BOARD

Single	Double or triple
210 € per person per day	190 € per person per day

This fee includes:

- B&B at the official hotels
- Lunch and dinner at the Venue
- Transportation to/from Airport/Hotel/Venue

This fee doesn't include:

- Accreditation Fee to the LOC per person: 280 €
- Participation fee to World Abilitysport per person: 50 €

OPTION 2 - NO ACCOMODATION

Entry	Price
Transportation ONLY to/from Airport/Hotel	70 € per person
One meal a day at the Venue	25 € per person

This fee doesn't include:

- Accreditation Fee to the LOC per person: 280 €
- Participation fee to World Abilitysport per person: 50 €

➢ PLEASE NOTE: Ask the LOC about the payment method, sending an email to loc.eu.champ@gmail.com requesting the bank details for the bank transfer or to receive further information.

4.4 Entry Deadlines

15 July 2026

- ➢ Intention form

From 1 September to 5 October 2026

- ➢ Entry by number
- ➢ First Entry
- ➢ To guarantee accessibility, special wheelchair dimensions are required
- ➢ Estimated arrival and departure dates (the eventual need of additional days and extra staff request)

From 5 to 10 October 2026

- ➢ Payment of Accreditation Fee: 280€ per person

From 10 to 25 October 2026:

- ➢ Entry by name
- ➢ Final Entry Forms:
  - Participants List, Rooming List, Transport Details, Classification Form
- ➢ Remaining payment of the entry fee per participant

25 October 2026:

- ➢ Remaining payment of the entry fee per participant

- ➢ Entry by number: from 1 September to 5 October 2026
- ➢ Entry by name: from 10 to 25 October 2026

Late entries can be denied.
The LOC is not responsible for keeping the above accommodation rate for requests received after the deadlines described in this document (item 4).

4.5 Meeting Rooms

Delegations requiring use of a meeting room will need to make their own arrangements with their accommodation provider for any associated cost and availability.

5 Transport

Transportation from the hotel to the competition venue will be guaranteed (it takes 10 minutes by bus from the hotel to the venue), ONLY FOR THOSE WHO CHOSE OPTION 1 - FULL BOARD of the entry.

6 Competition Venue

Palazzetto dello Sport Sa Rodia is located at Via Della Liberta 25, 09170 Oristano

6.1 Personal belongings

Participants are advised to leave valuable items in the hotel. There will be no safety box or individual lockers in the venue, but there are in the rooms, so please, in case of needs, we suggest using it.

7 Sport

7.1 Preliminary Program

The program will be finalized after the final entries' revision.
*Combi Conventional (Standard and Latin)
*Duo Conventional (Standard and Latin)
*Singles Conventional (5 dances)
*Juniors Single (3 dances)
*Combi Freestyle
*Duo Freestyle
*Singles Freestyle
*Powerchair Single Conventional
*Powerchair Single Freestyle
*Powerchair Duo Freestyle
*Powerchair Combi Freestyle
*Powerchair Combi Latin

Visually Impaired
*Combi Latin
*Combi Standard
*Combi Freestyle

7.2 Entry regulations

7.2.1 Eligibility

Dance couples must consist of a male and a female partner. All wheelchair users must fulfil minimum disability criteria. Couples' entries must be submitted by their Member Organisations.

7.2.2 Final sport entries

All athletes must be entered by their respective Member Organisations via the SDMS. WPDS will check if athletes entered in the Freestyle events fulfil the minimum requirements.

For World Para Dance Sport Championships, each country can nominate a maximum number of 3 couples/ athletes per class per event. For the freestyle events there is a minimum number of points required.

7.3 Competition procedure

7.3.1 Judging system and results

The skate judging system will be used for the conventional events.
Only athletes who have been licensed by WPDS will be eligible to compete

7.3.2 Ranking

The minimum number of participating countries per event must be 3.
In case of not reaching the minimum quota of 3 countries in the event, there are two options:
a) The event is cancelled with no competition at all or
b) The couple/athlete can compete in a higher class.
No medals will be rewarded for the original event. However, in case the athletes reach the podium in the higher class, medals shall be normally awarded. The placement points will be carried to their specific ranking class.

7.3.3 Music

Music for Freestyle events must be submitted via email to the LOC in mp3 format until **15 OCTOBER 2026**.
Team leaders are advised to bring a copy by USB Stick. The title of the email must contain the country and the athletes' name.

7.3.4 Mixed Zone

The Mixed Zone (MZ) is where the interviews with the broadcast and press media occurs. The athletes may refuse the interview request from the media, but they must pass through the MZ after leaving the Field of Play. Refusal to pass through the MZ is not permitted.
After the dance round is over, the athletes will exit the dance floor section of the Field of Play (FOP), and must pass through the Mixed Zone (MZ) on the side of the Athlete side (i.e. FOP zone, which is indicated as Blue Zone on the accreditation card).
The MZ is comprised of two (2) main areas in the following order:

1. Broadcast MZ
2. Press MZ

If the athletes agree to the interview requests, they must do the interview with the Rights-Holding Broadcasters (RHBs) first.
The Press Manager and/or Mixed Zone Manager may escort the athlete to a specific media that have requested assistance.

7.3.5 Live Broadcast Production

For Oristano 2026 Para Dance Sport European Championships, there will be a live broadcast production of all sessions. All delegations and the LOC must coordinate with the Broadcast Services FA (I.e. BRS) and the Host Broadcaster (HB) to allow smooth operations for all parties.

All stakeholders must be aware of the camera positions and must not block the camera shots, in principle. For operational reasons, there may be exceptions, but all parties must agree and notified beforehand.
Due to the live broadcast production the team seating areas, especially the tables at the FOP always need to be maintained tidy.

7.3.6 Back-of-House (BOH) Filming

Special filming requests from the RHBs may occur. In such case, the RHBs must arrange and acquire approvals from their subjects (e.g. coaches, athletes) and submit such requests to BRS. In consultation with the relevant FAs, the BRS may or may not approve such special filming requests.
If any issues arise from the broadcast/filming operations, comments can be submitted to the BRS Manager.

7.3.7 Victory Ceremonies

Victory Ceremonies will be conducted at the end of each competition day.
After each final of an event, results will be announced, and the respective medallists must report to the Victory Ceremonies staff (located in the warmup area) 20 min prior to their respective Victory Ceremony. The LOC is NOT in the position to postpone any Victory Ceremony if the medallist(s) does/do not arrive in time.
Medallists should either wear their national team uniform or their competition uniform. No flags or cameras etc are allowed to be brought to the podium.
The athlete(s) will be presented with the medal(s), which will be hung around the neck . When the presentation is finished, the national anthem of the Gold medallist(s) will be played. After the conclusion of the anthem, medallists are asked to get together in the middle for a photo. Then the whole Victory Ceremony party moves off the podium.

8 Classification

Classification will be conducted according to the 2018 World Para Dance Sport Classification rules and regulations.
Classification will take place at the same competition venue in a dedicated area, on **19 NOVEMBER 2026**. Exact time and room to be confirmed.
Athletes are requested to bring to classification only their competition wheelchair, straps if any and their medical information.
If an athlete does not attend Classification, he/she will be disqualified from the competition. The Classification schedule will be shared with the team leaders and NPCs/ MOs.

9 Safeguarding

A safe sport officer will be appointed for this event and all those participants in this event will be provided with contact details at a later stage.

10 Doping Control

10.1 Doping Control Programme

Doping is forbidden in accordance with the World Abilitysport Anti-Doping Code.
The Doping Control Programme, which shall include the collection of doping control samples, shall be under the authority of World Para Dance Sport. The collection and testing of samples shall be done in accordance with the applicable provisions of the World Abilitysport Anti-Doping Code ("**Code**") and the World Anti-Doping Code International Standard for Testing and Investigations. The samples will be analysed at the World Anti-Doping Agency accredited Laboratory in Italy.

10.2 Therapeutic use exemption (TUE)

It is an athlete's responsibility to ensure that any medication or method they take to treat an illness or medical condition is not prohibited according to the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List.
Athletes may have to take a medication that is on the WADA Prohibited List to treat an acute or chronic illness or medical condition. Before doing so, they must apply for a TUE and be given an approval for the particular medication and/or method. Athletes should consult with their NPC or Member Organisation team physician to

guide them through this process. All TUEs will be managed as per the WADA International Standard for TUEs (ISTUE) and entered into ADAMS (a secure online database).

An Athlete who is not an International-Level Athlete should apply to his or her National Anti-Doping Organisation for a TUE.

SUPPORT and CONTACT

For further queries and clarifications, do not hesitate to contact Mrs Alice Ronsval at:

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See you in Oristano!