

THE CHAMPIONS ROSSELLA FIAMINGO AND VALERIO ASPROMONTE
OFFICIAL TESTIMONIALS OF VERONA 2018 WORLD FENCING CHAMPIONSHIPS
PRESS CONFERENCE ON FRIDAY 6th OCTOBER AT 12.40

FIE - International Fencing Federation - will deliver to the City of Verona the celebratory flag of - Junior and Cadets World Fencing Championships 2018- in which more than 120 Nations will compete.

Verona, 2th October 2017 – «The **Junior and Cadets World Fencing Championships 2018**- the whole city of Verona is getting involved, a city with a **great tradition of fencing**. Verona has a deep-rooted tradition in the sporting, social and cultural context. And when we talk about Verona in the world, we spread not only the name of the city and the Arena, but Italy and its culture. Here, we have identified a **prestigious facility** for the World Cup 2018 and there are all the prerequisites and conditions for organizing the Event that will put Verona, the Organizing Committee, Italy, the Fencing and the Italian sport in the presence of so many delegations ; I also think that this will be the way to promote our territory and our organizational, cultural and historical abilities».

These were the words of the **President** of the Italian Fencing Federation, **Giorgio Scarso**, on a visit to the "Scaligera city" with a view to the upcoming Event starting on October 5, 2017, included in the "Road to Verona 2018" program.

From Thursday 5th to Sunday 8th October 2017, Verona will host a **FIE - International Fencing Federation** delegation and the delegates of the **Italian Fencing Federation** for technical inspections, meetings and matchs that will mark a further step forward in view of the organization of the Junior and Cadets World Fencing Championships Verona 2018.

On **Friday, 6th October, 2017, at 12.40 am**, at the **Sala Arazzi** of **Palazzo Barbieri** in the City of Verona, in Piazza Brà, there will be the Press Conference of Presentation of the World Championships "*Junior and Cadets – World Fencing Championships*", scheduled in the month of April 2018 (1-9 April).

The Press Conference is organized by the Verona City Council, the Italian Fencing Federation, and the Verona 2018 World Fencing Championships Organizing Committee, and it is part of the fundamental promotional activities of the World Event.

The Mayor of Verona, **Federico Sboarina**, the President of the Organizing Committee, **Luca Campedelli**, the President of FIS – Federazione Italiana Scherma, **Giorgio Scarso**, the General Secretary of FIE – International Fencing Federation, **Emmanuel Katsiadakis**, the Regional

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Councillor for Veneto Territory, Culture, Sport and Security, **Cristiano Corazzari** will take part in the event.

The guests of honor will be **Rossella Fiamingo**, the Rio2016 Olympic silver and two-time Women's Épée World Cup Champion and **Valerio Aspromonte**, Men's foil Olympic Team Champion in London 2012.

The two will in fact be the **official testimonials** of the Junior and Cadets World Fencing Championships Verona 2018 and they will represent the models that will inspire the under17 and under20 Italian athletes who will step on the strip during the event in the scaligera territory.

There will also be Alfredo Rota, the Italian fencer, gold in the Épée team at the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games and bronze at Beijing 2008.

During the press conference, FIE - International Federation of Fencing - will officially deliver to the city of Verona and to the organizing committee "Verona2018" the **celebratory flag** attesting the assignment of the World Championship youth event.

For more information: <http://www.fencingverona2018.com/>

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Junior and Cadets World Fencing Championships will take place on 1-9 April 2018, at the new prestigious headquarters of the Cattolica Sport society, located in the industrial area of Verona, not far from the Fair. Unesco World Heritage since the year 2000 and city of Arts, Verona will host from 120 to 130 participating countries, with over 1250 athletes. The World Champions Event, sponsored by the Veneto Region and the Verona City council, in collaboration with the Italian Fencing Federation, the International Fencing Federation and Coni, involves the city of Verona with a series of collateral events so as to promote the values of the fencing and the sport in the world through the champions of tomorrow.

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