

# MEDIA KIT

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## Welcome to the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships 2022

Beach is in Town

Rome is the first city in the history of the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Championships to host a second edition of the elite competition. After welcoming the world's best pairs back in 2011, the Italian capital is set to do it again when the 2022 World Championships take place from June 10 through 19 at Foro Italico.

There are a few other players in both genders, who participated in the Rome 2011 event and will return to the Eternal City for Rome 2022. Among them include Italy's Daniele Lupo, Marta Menegatti, Paolo Nicolai and Viktoria Orsi Toth.

"Foro Italico is an iconic place for Italian sports and it's really great that beach volleyball will once again be played there. I can't wait to feel the emotion on the court," said Paolo Nicolai, who won the Jurmala Elite16 gold alongside Samuele Cottafava last Sunday. "For me, it is really a privilege to have a second opportunity to play the World Champs at home. The Italian teams in the main draw at Rome 2011 were there just to participate and do their best, but things have changed. Right now we have a lot of teams who can compete with the best. We are ready to play our best beach volleyball and we'll see... Everything can happen."

In addition to the 2011 World Championships, Rome has hosted a number of other high-level FIVB tournaments. Foro Italico welcomed the world's elite for the first time back in 2009 for a men-only Open event on the FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour. As of the following year, the event was upgraded to a double-gender Grand Slam tournament. It was held in that format in 2010, 2012 and 2013. Then, in 2019, the World Tour Finals were held in Rome.

Some of the medallists, including Brazilian women Eduarda Santos Lisboa (Duda), Ana Patricia Ramos and Rebecca Silva, and Germany's Clemens Wickler and Norway's Anders Mol and Christian Sorum, on the men's side, will hope to make the podium at the Rome 2022 World Champs again.

It is not only beach volleyball that Foro Italico has hosted in the past. The iconic venue in the Italian capital also provided the battleground for matches during the 2015 FIVB Volleyball World League and the 2018 FIVB Volleyball Men's World Championship. Foro Italico, situated on the western banks of the Tiber River, was also the main site of the Rome 1960 Olympic Games.

While Rome is the first city to host the World Championships twice since their launch back in 1997, Italy will be the third country to welcome two of the 13 editions, after Austria (Klagenfurt 2001 and Vienna 2017) and Germany (Berlin 2005 and Hamburg 2019) did so earlier.

Starting on Friday, 48 men's and 48 women's pairs, with all five continental confederations represented, will play a total of 216 matches over 10 competition days at Rome 2022 on the way to determining the new world champions.

#### **Seach** is in Town

The Beach Volleyball World Championships takes place in the biggest cities in the world. It's an outdoor sport played in urban settings, that brings the beach into the city. Not your ordinary is extraordinary! This is the most special of Beach Volleyball events. Not your ordinary is uncommon, and exceptional per definition. And that's what the event is. A championship with the best players in the world, competing for that one prize. Two weeks of intense competition where only one men's and one women's team become the owner of the beach. And beach is a party! Beach is the good vibe. In this context beach is also the juxtaposition of the not your ordinary. Not your ordinary beach reflects the mix between top sport and social vibe. It balances authority and vitality, with a bit more emphasis on authority. A rich domain with a bit of wittiness attached to it, balancing fun and performance.

Foro Italico in Rome will play host to the World Championships in 2022 – on the right you will find the competition format, outlining the stages of the competition, beginning with the pool play on 10 June and ending with the medal matches – and the crowning of champions on 19 June.



## COMPETITION **FORMAT**

JUNE 10 -13 POOL PLAY

**LUCKY-LOSER ROUND** 

**ROUND OF 32** JUNE 15

**ROUND OF 16** JUNE 16

QUARTERFINALS JUNE 17

**SEMIFINALS** JUNE 18

**MEDAL MATCHES** 







#### **BEACH IS IN TOWN** JUNE 10 - 19 / FORO ITALICO

WOMEN'S DRAW

POOL A

POOL B

POOL C

POOL D

POOL E

POOL F

STAM NED SCHOON

DUDA
ANA PATRÍCIA

LAT GRAUDINA

BARBARA CAROL

GALLAY
PEREYRA

HERMANNOVA WILLIAMS

HEIDRICH SUI VERGÉ-DÉPRÉ, A.

MEGAN NICOLE

BUKOVEC BRANDIE

CARRO
ESP LOBATO

RIVAS ZAPATA
CHRIS

WANG
CHN X. Y. XIA

ERIKA
POLETTI

MENEGATTI GOTTARDI

POOL G

POOL H

POOL I

POOL J

POOL K

POOL L

TALITA
REBECCA

TILLMANN

LAHTI
FIN AHTIAINEN

CUB LIDY

GUTIERREZ QUINTERO

POL WOJTASIK KOCIOLEK

PAYANO ROSARIO

FARIDA
EGY DOAA

ORSI TOTH, R. ORSI TOTH, V.

MAKOKHA KHADAMBI



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MEN'S DRAW

POOL A

POOL B

POOL C

POOL D

POOL E

POOL F

POL BRYL LOSIAK

BRUNO SCHMIDT SAYMON

LUPO RANGHIERI

KROU FRA GAUTHIER-RAT

SAMOILOVS SMEDINS

SCHALK BRUNNER

VARENHORST
VAN DE VELDE

ABICHA

EL GHAROUTI

POOL G

POOL H

POOL I

POOL J

POOL K

POOL L

IMMERS
NED BOERMANS

GRIMALT M.
GRIMALT E.

RENATO VITOR FELIPE

ERMACORA PRISTAUZ

NICOLAI COTTAFAVA

HANNIBAL CAIRUS

NICOLAIDIS
AUS CARRACHER

WU JIAXIN HA LIKEJIANG

WINDISCH DAL CORSO

CUB ALAYO

### **Seach** is in Town

The Beach in Rome! See on the right the event map.

Accredited journalists must collect their accreditation from the ticketing welcome area (area 2 on the map).

Media will have access to the media centre (area 10 on the map, located on the first floor inside the arena), and have the use of the media tribune inside the centre court.

Journalists have use of media facilities as well as access to the mixed zone, which is located inside the main arena, and located by the technical areas (area 16 on the map). This area will be signposted.

For those members of the media who require additional support, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the event media team on site – located on the first floor inside the centre court, or by emailing media.accreditation@volleyball.world.

**SITE 2022** 





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