



THE TOR330 - TOR DE GEANTS® KICKS OFF, THE LEGENDARY CHALLENGE OF TORX®

With the start of its flagship race, the 2021 TORX® program gets into full swing. More than 711 participants from 50 countries will be at the starting line, with the best athletes expected to finish in Courmayeur in the early hours of Wednesday

Courmayeur, September 12, 2021 - Having them divided into two distinct groups to ensure the necessary social distancing didn't stop the enthusiasm of the athletes and the public at the start, such was their desire to experience the excitement of the Tor de Geants® after the forced cancellation of the 2020 edition. At 10 and 12 a.m. today, between two wings of crowds and under a promising sun, 711 people from all over the world departed from Courmayeur, ready to face the mountains and take up the challenge with themselves. Awaiting them, 330 kilometers and 24,000 meters of vertical gain, along the High Routes 1 and 2 of Aosta Valley, at the base of the most important 4000-meter Alpine Peaks, through the Gran Paradiso National Park and the Mont Avic Regional Park.

In the meantime, the **TOR450 - Tor des Glaciers** continues, with the runners engaged in tackling ridges and skimming glaciers along High Routes 3 and 4. The finish of this epic endurance race is scheduled - for the best of them - on Thursday afternoon.

Besides the two races currently in progress, the exciting TORX® program will continue in the next days with two other appointments: Tuesday the 14th at 9 p.m. for **TOR130 - Tot Dret**, starting from Gressoney-Saint-Jean, and **TOR30 - Passage au Malatrà**, the shortest distance competition in the program, which will start on Saturday 18th from Saint-Rhémy-En-Bosses, ending on the same day.

As well as on Facebook and Instagram, the website <https://www.tordesgeants.it/en> will offer the opportunity to follow the progress of all the races and the individual athletes thanks to an updated [live-tracking](#) system.

Green Pass and safety

With regards to safety, the health protocol issued by the **Department of Sport on behalf of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers** obliges all participants, their companions, and race personnel to present the **Green Pass** or equivalent certification for non-EU racers. All volunteers and event staff will be traced via a bracelet and a tracking system monitored internally by VDA Trailers. Existing regional protocols and anti-infection guidelines will also be applied for refreshments and rest areas, which will be accessible exclusively by runners and volunteers. Assistance will be available exclusively in dedicated areas.

Notes for the media

All media representatives wishing to register with TORX® and access restricted areas and the race route must go to the press room at Jardin de l'Ange to register and collect their badge. A Green Pass or equivalent certification for non-EU media representatives must be shown. Access to the refreshment and rest areas is forbidden, but there are no restrictions along the route. Registration for the [Press Area](#) on the official website is recommended in order to have access to all useful materials. The press room will be open from Friday 10 from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.; from Wednesday 15 to Saturday 18 it will be open 24 hours a day, and on Sunday 19 it will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The contacts for any inquiries are Paola Prina - paola.prina@greenmedialab.com and Erica Motta e.motta@vdatrainers.it.

VDA TRAILERS

VDA Trailers promotes and organises open-air sporting activities related to the world of trail running and the mountains. Competitions in the summer and winter, both day and night, that have promoted the image of the Val d'Aosta and the Alps, its nature and its people, worldwide through sport. All these activities are characterised by the ethics of trail running; respect for the environment and for people, sharing and solidarity. It has been managing and organising events and initiatives on an international level for more than 15 years. TORX®, Gran Trail Courmayeur, Winter Vertical Courmayeur, Arrancabirra® and Arrancaslimba.

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