

Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team at Tour de Pologne in the name of future and innovation

The second wild card of the 80th edition was awarded to the Swiss team led by Doug Ryder and Vincenzo Nibali.

The Tour de Pologne unveils its second wild card of a historic season for the Polish race, in which tradition and innovation come together to look to the future. Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team, officially invited to participate in the 80th edition, reveals itself as the perfect ambassador of this mission, which will guide the Lang Team into 2023.

The team led by Doug Ryder, with Vincenzo Nibali as technical advisor, presents a varied and complete group of young talented and experienced riders. From Filippo Conca, who had a brilliant 2022 always on the attack, to great specialists such as Tobias Ludvigsson and Walter Calzoni, a rising young talent who has already made a name for himself amongst the pros on the World Tour.

"The Tour de Pologne has always been a unique race for me," said Piotr Wadecki, sport director of the Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team, who was thrilled to participate in the race that launched his career first as a rider and then as a technician. "I am very happy that this year we will be at the start of the biggest sporting event organized by the Lang Team in Poland. I think we will have a strong and well-prepared team around our two Polish riders: Kamil Malecki and Szymon Sajnok. Being on the starting line of this competition is a great honor for us and we are very grateful to the organizers for putting their trust in us. I can't wait to start!"

Twenty-seven-year-old Kamil Malecki, who will try to fight for the general classification, said: *"I am really pleased that the team received an invitation to the Tour de Pologne. Being able to start this race is something every Polish cyclist is waiting for - it's great. I have many good memories of the Tour de Pologne and I would like to be able to fight for a good result once again. I will do my best and it will also be a great opportunity to show my best side in front of the Polish fans. The race profile is always difficult, but I like this one. It's perfect for my style of racing, so I'm looking forward to it."*

Polish rider, Szymon Sajnok will be at the start in pursuit of a stage victory in the sprinters' stages and explains: *"I am happy to return to the Tour de Pologne after a two-year absence. It's always a pleasure to start in front of the Polish fans who show nothing but warmth, I will naturally focus on the flat stages and I'm convinced that my whole team will give their best to honor this opportunity."*

"We are thrilled to be able to announce the second wild card of the 80th edition of the Tour de Pologne," commented Vice Olympic champion Czesław Lang. "I am curious to see how the Q36.5 Pro Cycling Team, whose philosophy is all about change in the service of performance, will approach an edition with something new. I am sure they will manage to capture the attention of the international public during all the stages. It is also our objective to promote Polish cycling and riders by giving them the opportunity to start in the only UCI World Tour race in their country. Furthermore, Doug Ryder has since years a vision in cycling which is fitting perfectly with ours. We are really glad to give him the opportunity to develop his project on the Polish roads"

A wild card therefore, promises innovation and talent on the Polish roads with an interesting mix of riders that will surely enliven a historic edition.