



ORLEN Nations Grand Prix is preparing to welcome young champions from all over the world

Five stages from May 24th to 28th to determine a winner who will stand out in the group.

The fifth edition of the ORLEN Nations Grand Prix, first round of the UCI U23 Nations Cup, is fast approaching and the competition is proving to be more demanding than ever with five stages that will test the young athletes who aspire to find important places in the World Tour scene.

Between Hungary, Slovakia and Poland, the 2023 edition consists of a varied and highly technical course. After the first stage, dedicated to sprinters and punchers, the course becomes considerably more demanding, including ups and downs and particularly tough climbs with some daily positive elevation up to 2,300 meters.

Five days that will make the riders fall in love with this young and already internationally appreciated race, as Morten Nørtoft, winner of the 2022 edition and now enrolled on the Jumbo-Visma Development Team, confirmed: *"This is a really fantastic race. The organization is great, the race is super well designed. During the race you feel really safe on the road, the finishes are well planned, there are protections everywhere and everything you need for any kind of finish. I have to say that the 2022 edition was really good, even though the weather was not the best and we raced in the rain. Maybe that made it even more fun."*

"It is important for us at Lang Team not only to organize major events like the Tour de Pologne – UCI World Tour but also to invest permanently in the development of cycling in Poland and abroad in the youth categories" declared Czesław Lang, Race Director. *"We are proud to give to Under 23 riders coming from around the world the opportunity to compete at the high level in great conditions and make the next step in their career. We have decided therefore to expand the ORLEN Nations Grand Prix – UCI U23 Nations Cup not only in the number of racing days – going from 2 to 5 stages – but also on the road with the integration of 2 new countries on our parcours with a start and 2 stages in Hungary and a beautiful mountain stage in Slovakia. Having 22 of the best National Teams – plus 3 Polish clubs – at the start in Hungary on May 24th proves that this race really has secured its place on the international calendar as one of the three UCI U23 Nations Cups."*

An unmissable event for the U23 category which, thanks to the new courses, will once again be the perfect scenario where the champions of the future will be able to test their aptitude, showing how strong will and stubbornness are key to success.