

## Esanatoglia set to host Internazionali d'Italia Series grand finale

On Saturday 5 July, the Marche circuit will award the most coveted jerseys in the Italian calendar.

Everything is ready in **Esanatoglia** (MC) for the final and decisive round of the 2025 **Internazionali d'Italia Series**. On Saturday 5th July, the renowned course in the Marche region will welcome the top national and international cross-country athletes for a day of thrilling action and final verdicts across all categories.

With Filippo Fontana out of action due to injury, the spotlight is now on **Daniele Braidot**. The CS Carabinieri Cicli Olympia rider is the favourite to win the stage, and a finish in the top two could also see him clinch the overall elite men's title. However, he will need to fend off strong competition, including his teammate **Emanuele Huez** and the ever-dangerous **Gioele Bertolini** (KTM – Protek – Elettrosystem). Not to be underestimated either is Chilean rider **Ignacio Gallo Florido** (DMT Racing Team), the national vice-champion, who has already demonstrated his ability on technical courses such as Esanatoglia.

The Under 23 category is set to be even more unpredictable: **Marco Betteo** (Team Sogno Veneto), **Tommaso Ferri** (BCL Team) and **Martino Zavan** (Team Sogno Veneto) are separated by just a few points and will compete fiercely for the final podium spot in a race that could be decided by mere seconds. **Giulio Peruzzo** (KTM-Protek-Elettrosystem) is tipped for stage victory, having already won in Alpago. **Coen Nicol** (Mondraker NZ) is another strong contender and an outsider with the potential to join the lead group.

In the junior category, the race remains wide open. **Elia Rial** (Scott Racing Team), **Pietro Cao** (Trinx Factory Team) and **Filippo Cavezzan** (Team Sogno Veneto) are locked in a tight battle for the leader's jersey. However, **Ettore Fabbro** and **Federico Rosario Brafa** (KTM – Protek – Elettrosystem), who are both in top form, could also join the fray in the final showdown.

In the elite women's category, Chilean champion **Catalina Vidaurre Kossmann** (Specialized Chile), who dominated in Alpago, is the favourite. However, the most hotly anticipated battle is between the current overall leader, **Lucia Bramati** (Trinx Factory Team), and **Nicole Pesse** (CS Carabinieri Cicli Olympia), who is still in with a chance of claiming the overall title. Bramati has a more comfortable lead in the Under 23 standings, with her main rival being **Marika Celestino** (Scott Racing Team). The season's leading names among the junior women will face off once more: **Giorgia Pellizotti** (Trinx Factory Team), **Nicole Azzetti** (Team Guerrini), **Sabrina Rizzi** (Team Sogno Veneto) and **Elisa Ferri** (also Team Guerrini). Although Pellizotti has a significant lead in the standings and can afford to manage her race, nothing can be taken for granted on Esanatoglia's course and every point counts.

The full programme for the final round of the Internazionali d'Italia Series is as follows:

## Saturday, July 5th:

- 10:00 Junior Men's Race
- 12:00 Women's Open + Junior Women's Race
- 14:30 Men's Open Race

## Sunday, July 6th:

- 10:00 Esordienti M Race
- 11:30 Youth Girls' Race
- 13:00 Allievi M Race
- 15:00 Giovanissimi Race