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## **A novelty in the running calendar will run up Stromovka Park. The Prague Relay will welcome four thousand people**

*This absolutely new race will be held in one of the popular running parks in the capital city of the Czech Republic. The Prague Relay 4x5 organized by RunCzech will take place on Tuesday, March 19 in the afternoon. Total of four thousand runners will sweep the five kilometer circuits at the Stromovka. Four member teams can consist of colleagues, family or friends. No matter on how the teams are set, a pleasant afternoon full of sport, fun and gatherings is guaranteed for everyone.*

The Prague Relay 4x5 is a new race in the RunCzech calendar and the first one intended to teams only. Four member relays were previously a part of the Sportisimo Prague Half Marathon; now both events are two separate races. „The moving of the relays out from the half marathon and putting them to a separate race will help us to satisfy more runners. It will be more comfortable for participants of both runs, and more individual runners will the half marathon this year“, says Carlo Capalbo, the President of the Organizing Committee.

The coorganizer of the Prague Relay is the company JOHNNY SERVIS. „A common organization of the Prague Relay 4x5 is another step in our long-term partnership with the the RunCzech series. We always have an ambition to increase the level of each event. For instance this year in the frame of the Prague Relay 4x5 we are preparing Team Boxes for particular relays. We believe that a high level of the event organization will contribute to its great success“, says Jiří Jeništa, the commercial manager of the company JOHNNY SERVIS.

An inspiration to create a new race in the Czech Republic came from similar races held in other European cities. For instance, in Berlin there are thousands of runners gathering for such events during three days. And Prague doesn't intend to stay behind. “We want to fill the whole week with the Prague Relay, so that it will be a week of health, movement and fun in a beautiful park in the very heart of Prague“, presents his vision Capalbo. In 2020 the Prague Relay 4x5 will welcome 20 000 runners during five days!

In the middle of April yet there will be 1/5 of this number, but anyway it will be the biggest relay race in the Czech Republic. One of thousands of runners, who wil come to the start line, is Dalibor Gondík. Czech anchor and actor has litteraly fall in love with running: he has run several



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half marathons and tried his strenght at the relay during the Volkswagen Prague Marathon last year. And his result wasn't bad at all. „In fact I have two main memories. The first one is a terrible depression and a feeling of not belonging to the level of Michal Šlesinger, Ondřej Synek and Vendula Frintová. Approximately 250 gold medals versus a bad actor and even worse runner. And the second one? It is that they were kind with me and we ran the 10 km all together for plus minus 40 minutes”, remembers Gondík whose team took 3 place out of 580 relays.

Success always encourages, and Dalibor Gondík is looking forward to the new relay. „I think it is a great idea and I'm looking forward to it. Four times five kilometers is a perfect track, it is really possible to prepare for it, and I already have a complete team”, smiles Gondík. If you are curious who will come with him to the start line of the Prague Relay 4x5, come and see it at the Stromovka!

The Prague Relay 4x5 starts on Tuesday, April 19 at 5 p.m. at Výstaviště, where there's also the end of the circuit and handover. Every relay team will get a picnic basket with food; the teams can also rent Team Boxes in order to have a comfortable place during the whole race. Besides excited spectators and fans, the perfect atmosphere will be ensured by musicians alongside the race course and at the finish. “The Prague Relay 4x5 is organized in order to allow people to enjoy a beautiful race and spend a pleasant evening with friends, colleagues or business partners and of course with families”, adds Capalbo.

A part of the Prague Relay 4x5 is an eventfull accompayning program. For the smallest participants, kids at the age of 2 – 8 years, there will be held Bambini Run. ČSOB Medical run is dedicated for doctors, medics and nurses, and TOTAL Chambers Cup is intended for employees and members of Chambers of commerce. There's also a chance for employees Minister of foreign affairs of the Czech Republic and staff of all embassies in the Czech Republic to try themselves during the Diplomatic Cup.

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