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A trophy symbolizing team unity, 120 glass medals and 12 smaller trophies made to measure at the LASVIT Ajeto Glassworks for The Battle of the Teams

The LASVIT Ajeto Glassworks, which is part of the group of the Czech glass and design company LASVIT, designed and produced a unique trophy symbolizing the unity of the team. It was tailor-made for the Prague race The Battle of the Teams. It will be taken home by only one winning team. In addition, the glassmakers in Ajeto also produced one hundred and twenty glass medals and twelve smaller trophies for the individual fastest runners.

The unity of the team was the main inspiration for the production of the trophy for the Prague running race The Battle of the Teams, organized by RunCzech. *"Running races are mostly individual, but in Battle of the Teams everyone fights for the team. The competitors want to achieve the best possible result that will help their team. Teamwork, which by the way is one of the values of LASVIT, drives us all to achieve success together. Unity, strength and robustness are the common denominators of the team and of our trophy. Each article - each individual - is very important and if one falls out, the fragile skeleton of the team is disrupted. And it is same with the glass too. The glass trophy for this race is massive, but at the same time very fragile,"* says Marek Efmert, a global glass icon and trophy designer who is currently working at the Ajeto Glassworks in Lindava.

"It is a great honour for us that such an important company as LASVIT has decided to support our race The Battle of The Teams. This event is special also for the trophy ceremony will not only represent the individual spirit, but also the team spirit, as the winning team will receive one beautiful trophy together. It will remain a memory not only of the race itself, but also of the atmosphere that all participants experienced during the preparations and the race itself," adds Tomáš Coufal from the organizing committee of RunCzech.

The Battle of the Teams trophy weighs around ten kilograms and is approximately 35 cm tall. The glassmakers have also prepared one hundred and twenty original glass medals and twelve smaller trophies for the race, which will be awarded to the first three Czech runners (men and women) and the first three overall (women and men).

The Novoborská glass and design company LASVIT has been supporting sport for a long time. *"The Ajeto Glassworks is producing RunCzech trophies for the several times in a row this year. In addition to running races, our glassworks has also created trophies for world tennis tournaments in the past, not only at home but also abroad. We also produce trophies for the world's toughest cycling race, the Tour de France, in our Ajeto Glassworks, we support the Czech Olympic Committee and for example, last month we supplied trophies for the international horse race in Velká Chuchle,"* says Leon Jakimič, owner and president of LASVIT.

The world-famous LASVIT Ajeto Glassworks in Lindava is located in a place considered one of the most important glass production centres in the world. The glassworks is also open to the public, and on weekdays visitors can watch the glassmakers in action and take a tour of the production facilities. In the adjacent Glass Tavern, which will reopen on 1 June, visitors can not only refresh themselves, but even try to do a little bit of manufacturing. Of course under local masters.