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## At the Sportisimo 1/2 Marathon Prague this year will run for peace, the organizers plan

Starting numbers for runners were released for the otherwise sold-out race

The popular Sportisimo 1/2 Marathon Prague, which will start from the Rudolfinum on Saturday, April 2, will run with a strong message of peace. "We are organizing a big event in the middle of a difficult situation and we cannot ignore it. We are broadcasting footage from the Prague Half Marathon to hundreds of countries, and we want to tell the world that those who run do not fight," says Carlo Capalbo, President of RunCzech. The organizers will give runners, for example, symbolic bracelets in Ukrainian colors before the start. Dozens of starting places have become available for the current Prague Half Marathon, which are available at <a href="https://www.runczech.cz/registrace">www.runczech.cz/registrace</a>.

Once again, after a two-year covid restrictions, runners will stand at the start of the start line of Sportisimo Prague Half Marathon. There are expected about 11,000 participants, led by elite Czech and world athletes. As in other sports events, there will be a lack of professional competitors from Russia and Belarus. The charities with which RunCzech has been cooperating for a long time also plan to show solidarity with those who need it most. "We invite not only lovers of long runs, but also spectators to the center of Prague on Saturday, April 2, to create a real cheering backdrop around the track in the center of Prague," adds Carlo Capalbo.

The otherwise hopelessly sold-out Sportisimo 1/2 Marathon Prague offers several spare registrations due to the difficult postcovid period. The price starts at 1,500 Czech crowns. "Those interested in the April race must be really fast, there are several dozen starting numbers on the registration website - we checked the actual number of runners from last year's registrations, which were transferred to this year due to the lockdown," explains Carlo Capalbo, adding that participants can also look forward to the surprise in the form of the adidas branded t-shirt from the limited edition All Runners Are Beautiful as a thank you for two years of waiting for the races.







## **Notes for editors**

- adidas brand is the world leader in the sports goods sector. Company with the headquarters in Herzogenarurach, Germany, employs more than 62 000 people worldwide and the revenue reached 19,8 bln EUR in 2020.
- RunCzech organizes running events in cities across the Czech Republic and in Italy, with Napoli Running, and in Japan and China supported by local entities.
- Prague International Marathon spol. s.r.o. ("PIM")/RunCzech was established in 1995 by Carlo Capalbo, President of the Organizing Committee, with the aim of staging a world-class international marathon in Prague.
- Nearly 1.2 million runners have participated in RunCzech events since its inception. In 2019, we welcomed over 120 000 finishers from 101 different countries.
- ALL RUNNERS ARE BEAUTIFUL is our way of welcoming everyone to the world of running.
- Initiatives like RunCzech Running League and SuperHalfs were created to motivate casual runners.

  To support elite European athletes, we created the EuroHeroes Challenge.
- RunCzech Racing is dedicated to the development of young athletes, community ties, and sporting excellence. Eight World records so far and over 150 podium finishes for our team!
- In 2021, RunCzech introduced the unique running invention called The Battle of the Teams. "Professional marathoners competing in teams, strategically drafted based on their collective personal bests, giving each team a serious chance to win gold".
- We host other events such as our Bambini Runs, Family Runs and Junior Marathon Championship to encourage youth participation.
- Our FreeRun courses form a network of running trails across the Czech Republic.
- Our Running Mall serves as the epicenter of the running world in Prague.
- All accompanying information regarding RunCzech can be found at this link: https://bit.ly/2X83DLD

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