

Press Release  
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## RUNCZECH STARTS 2023 RACES FAST AND FURIOUS

**After two years of cancellations and delays at running events all around the world, RunCzech announces that its 2023 season is back to pre-pandemic normal. Same great races. Same schedule. Same high standard of excellence. A standard that is quite possibly the highest in the world, judging from the number of World Athletics labels awarded to RunCzech for its upcoming season.**

WA awarded RunCzech 8 labels—more than any other running organization in the world, and one label for every single event that qualifies for one. Including its fabled Prague runs, its regional runs, and Napoli half marathon which RunCzech also organizes.

WA awards medals for operational integrity, the quality of a race's elite participants, adherence to a comprehensive anti-doping program, prize money offered to participants, accuracy of its time-keepers, the quality of its course, and assorted other criteria. "It's a great honor for us," says Carlo Capalbo, president of the RunCzech organizing committee. "Runners are being much more selective about the races they choose to run. And the labels provide them with a guarantee that their chosen events will be flawlessly administered. Yes, they want to run in a great city and on a beautiful course, which Prague delivers, 100%. But race details matter to them. They want everything perfect. And so do we."

RunCzech kicks off its new season with its traditional half marathon in Napoli on February 26, followed by the Prague Half Marathon on April 1, 2023, and races in other beautiful cities all around the Czech Republic.

Link for registrations:

<https://www.runczech.com/en/events>



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## Note for editors

- All five events hold World Athletics Elite Road Race Labels.
- Each of the five races are certified by AIMS, have been awarded a 5 Star Road Race standard by European Athletics or have hosted the IAAF (World Athletics) Half Marathon Championships.
- SuperHalves races have played host to World Record performances (2 in Lisbon, 2 in Prague, 1 in Copenhagen and 3 in Valencia).
- 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 SuperHalves 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: [Notes for editors](#)



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