



Press Release

World Champ Spielmann and Swiss Ryf dominated in Sardinia Race 1

As the season winds down, the fight for the World Cup title intensifies

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Olbia (Italy), Saturday 4 October 2025 - Under bright skies, the WES UCI E-MTB XC World Cup headed to the island of Sardinia, Italy, for the Olbia Round Race 1, presented by the Autonomous Region of Sardinia and the City of Olbia.

The Qualirace in **Monte Pino** determined the starting order for the following showdown, with **Kathrin Stirnemann** (Thömus) and **Mirko Tabacchi** (Thok Askoll) clocking the quickest time lap.

As the race got underway, the first turn awarded the afternoon's opening prize, with **Sofia Wiedenroth** (Specialized) and the **Italian Reigning Champ** jumping off the line with the sharpest reflexes to capture his first **Santero Holeshot**.

World Cup leaders hold their ground

Specialized German rider managed to stay at the front by the slimmest margin, but on lap two, **Reigning World Champion Anna Spielmann** (Haibike) surged past her rival, took control, and never looked back, crossing the line first after 12 demanding laps.

While Spielmann extended her lead, **Wiedenroth found herself locked in a duel with Stirnemann**, the two swapping places twice before the German Champion secured the second place, leaving **Swiss Stirnemann** to finish third.

Giulia Bertoni (Teewing Factory Team) claimed fourth, followed by **Sonia Rodríguez Morente** (Bafang Factory Artesana) in fifth.

In the men's race, **Tabacchi spent seven laps holding off Ryf**, who stayed glued to his wheel. However, the **Swiss champion** made his move, taking over the lead and sealing the victory on his birthday.

Tabacchi settled for second, while **Lukas Dennda** (Bergstrom Factory Racing) put in a resilient performance, shifting positions throughout before clinching third.







































Théo Charmes (Teewing Factory Team) crossed the line in fourth despite suffering some technical problems, and **Andrea Garibbo** (Haibike) rounded out the top five.

What's next?

Tomorrow, Olbia's Monte Pino area will host Race 2, again on a 2.2 km racecourse, opposite direction, ready to challenge riders' skills.

Entry Lists, Race Live Timing and Results <u>HERE</u>
WES Olbia Round 2 (Sunday) Event Schedule and Race Maps <u>HERE</u>
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