

PRESS RELEASE

## **Roma 2024 Half Marathon course unveiled**

### **Athletes will run through magic and history of the Eternal City**

*The road race scheduled on 9 June will finish inside the Olympic Stadium  
Crippa: “Competing there will be a dream”. Yaremchuk: “Amazing race”*

Roma, 29 march, 2024 – An exciting and iconic road race to be run through a course immersed in the history and magic of Rome. With 70 days to go until the start of the **Roma 2024 European Athletics Championships**, scheduled from 7 to 12 June, the **Half Marathon** course has been unveiled.

The best European athletes will be competing on the morning of Sunday 9 June over a distance of **21.097km**. For the first time since **2006** the finish line of a road race of the European Athletics Championships will be inside the stadium, as was the case for the Marathon at the **Goteborg 2006 European Athletics Championships**, won by Italian star **Stefano Baldini** 18 years ago.

The **Roma 2024 Half Marathon** will start from **Fori Imperiali** at **9 a.m.** for men, while the women's race will get underway at **9.30 a.m.**. The course will touch some of the capital's most iconic sites and monuments, running alongside the “**Altare della Patria**” in Piazza Venezia, then crossing the main road Corso Vittorio Emanuele II and **Piazza Navona**, heading for “**Castel Sant'Angelo**” and **St. Peter's Square**, before moving towards Piazza Mazzini and reaching Lungotevere Guglielmo Oberdan (the main road of the city along the **Tevere** river). After running for about 6 km, the athletes will enter a circuit 4.1km long, to be repeated three times, passing the “**Ponte della Musica**” bridge and crossing the river on “**Ponte Duca D'Aosta**” bridge.

The final part of the half marathon will be run inside the **Foro Italico Park**, with the finish line inside the **Olympic Stadium** in front of the fans. An exciting revival of what happened in the Marathons held at the **Roma 1974 European Athletics Championships** and at the **Roma 1987 World Athletics Championships**, both concluded inside the stadium.

The Roma 2024 Half Marathon will also award team medals, which will be added to the total of **141 medals** that will be assigned during the Championships, including all individual competitions and relays.

Among the most awaited Italian athletes at the start of the Half Marathon will be **Yeman Crippa** and **Sofia Yaremchuk**, Italian national record holders in both the Marathon and Half Marathon distances.

“It will be exciting to run in Rome, at home, surrounded by culture and architectural beauties. There is a lot of expectation for Sunday 9 June, and I hope to see a lot of spectators supporting the Italian athletes and champions coming in the city from all over Europe.” comments **Yeman Crippa**, European 10,000m champion.

"I am looking forward to this day of celebration. It will be like running through the history: the course is beautiful, kilometres of emotions will push us from the start in the Fori Imperiali, with the magical **Colosseum** behind us, to the Foro Italico Park, to finish inside the Olympic Stadium. It will be a fantastic half marathon for Rome that will become the capital of European athletics.” added **Sofia Yaremchuk**.

The morning session of Roma 2024 on 9 June will continue with the other competitions scheduled, including the men's **High Jump** qualification, with the Italian star **Gianmarco Tamberi** ready to make his debut ahead of the final scheduled on **11 June**.

Tickets to follow the morning sessions of the Roma 2024 European Athletics Championships are on sale at [roma2024.vivaticket.it](https://roma2024.vivaticket.it) with prices starting from 5 euros plus presale and service fees.