

Rally d'Italia Sardegna

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“Rally d'Italia Sardegna: Institutions and Private Citizens like “sentinels” of the territory

Gallura's territory together with Rally d'Italia Sardegna: The Italian race of the Rally World Championship must stay in Sardinia. These are the contents of the agreement that took place this morning in the Meeting Room of the Province Olbia-Tempio, leading protagonists: Angelo Sticchi Damiani, Chairman of the Organizing Committee, Province Chairwoman of Olbia-Tempio Mrs. Pietrina Murrighile, Mayor of Olbia Settimo Nizzi, Mayor of Tempio Antonio Pintus, Mayor of Arzachena Pasquale Ragnedda, Mayor of Budduso' Antonio Satta, Mayor of Luras Maria Giuseppina Careddu, Mayor of Onani' Fausto Goddi, Mayor of Sant'Antonio di Gallura Benito Scanu, and Provincial Councillor of Alà dei Sardi Gilberto Bo.

Introducing the topics, the Province Chairwoman of Olbia-Tempio Mrs Pietrina Murrighile invited everyone “to be sentinel in defending the territory from the threat of losing an event that is so important, considering the economical impact and the media interest in it”.

“The rally belongs to us and we will fight for it” this is the strong position of the Mayor of Olbia Settimo Nizzi, giving voice to a common thought: we have to make a pledge in order to keep the Rally Race in Sardinia.

“The article n° 2 of our Statute declares that Automobile Club Italia must support motor sports in Italy” - ACI Chairman Angelo Sticchi Damiani started his speech - “and the choice of Sardinia, as the event location, is not by chance: the 2006 edition of the Rally d'Italia Sardegna has been considered by the FIA as one of the best of the whole Championship. ACI believes in Sardinia and its territory and considers essential the role of the Local Institutions in finding suitable solutions. All the Mayors have acknowledge of the benefits that Rally means: to enlarge the tourist flow, to give new value to unknown zones, usually ignored by tourists but extremely rich in traditions and natural treasures, to bring the name and the image of the Island all over the world. In this context everyone has offered the Chairman Sticchi Damiani their support, and their resources.

Also Private Local Entrepreneurs support without any doubts the event's organization. Thanks to the cooperation with companies like **Gruppo Colony**, the starting and finishing ceremony will take place in Porto Cervo, the 17th and the 20th May. Podium and Parc Fermè will be set up in the glamorous location of Marina Vecchia. The Gala Dinner will be served at the famous Cala di Volpe Hotel.

An agreement has been also signed with **Meridiana** and its Tour Operator **Wokita**, in order to be able to offer suitable tourist packages, and with companies like **Cantina del Vermentino**, expression of world wide famous Gallura's territory realities.

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