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## RALLY ITALIA SARDEGNA 2016 19 SS FOR A 325 TIMED KMS LONG CHALLENGE

From the longest Monte Lerno to the shortest Ittiri, a novel itinerary will take the challenge all over the north of Sardinia, through the provinces of Sassari and Olbia-Tempio.

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Rally Italia Sardegna, the sixth round of the rally world championship, is going to change again its look for edition 2016 that is scheduled from 9 to 12 June. The race will be staged in the north of the island in the provinces of Sassari and Olbia-Tempio. The tricolored appointment of the world rally championship will be once again full of novelties. The draft itinerary of the race organized by AcI Sport in collaboration with Regione Sardegna is now available at the website [www.rallysardegna.com](http://www.rallysardegna.com) and features 19 stages for a total of 325 timed kilometers.

The thirteenth edition of the race confirmed the main venue of the event that will be again located in Alghero, for the third time in a row. The new 4.28km long shakedown in Olmedo-Monte Baranta and the new stages of Tula and Sassari-Argentiera are going to be the absolute novelties of this year, while the SS Castelsardo and Tergu-Osilo will be back part of the race. The opening super special stage of 2 km on Thursday evening will take place at the Ittiri Arena Show due to the success scored last year. As said, Alghero will house service park again, which will be set up in between the touristic harbour, the “ramblas” and Piazzale della Pace, while press office, race direction and the headquarters of the event will be located in the prestigious Lu Qualté.

**THE RACE.** After the super special stage of Ittiri on Thursday evening, the crews will continue with the first leg on Friday 10 June. Day one will schedule eight stages (four repeated twice) located in the zones of Logudoro and Anglona for a total of 102,76 timed kms. After the two stages of Ardara-Ozieri (km 7,50) and the new SS of Tula (km 15), drivers will have to go through the Castelsardo (km 14) and Tergu-Osilo (km 14,88) stages before heading back to Alghero for the mid day service park. They will repeat the same stages in the afternoon, ending day one in Alghero at 19hrs.

Day two will take place on Saturday 11 June. This is going to be the longest and toughest of the whole race. Six stages will cover a total of 177 timed kms located in the Monte Acuto region. The day will open with the Monti di Alà (km 21,20) stage that will be followed by Coiluna-Loelle (km 22,50) and by the classic Monte Lerno, that will be again the longest of the event with its 44 kms. After Alghero's service park, the crews will run a second loop of the same stages in the afternoon and the day will reach its conclusion in Alghero at 20.46hrs.

The final leg of the race will take place on Sunday 12 June. The four scheduled stages will span a total of 43,54 timed kms in two loops of the new Sassari-Argentiera (km 10) and of Cala Flumini stage (km 11,77), which will be the power stage again this year. The power stage will go live on TV at 9 and 12hrs all over the world. The grand finale with the prize ceremony in Alghero's harbour will take place at 13.45hrs.

