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JAPAN, ITALY AND UKRAINE TOP THE 2018 ASWS SEASON



After a ten-meet circuit which stopped in Paris-Montreuil (FRA), Beijing (CHN), Tokyo (JPN), Samorin (SVK), Budapest (HUN), Madrid (ESP), Surrey BC (CAN), Los Angeles (USA), Syros Island (GRE) and Tashkent (UZB), swimmers from Japan, Ukraine and Italy have shown steady consistency in their routines.

As the 2018 edition of the [FINA Artistic Swimming World Series](#) has now come to end on Sunday July 1 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan, swimmers from Italy, Japan and Ukraine stand out by reaching the top position in the ranking.

Rio 2016 silver medallist Yukiko Inui of Japan, who just missed the podium in both the Technical and Free routines in Budapest World Championships 2017, and Yelyzaveta Yakhno of Ukraine have collected excellent results throughout the competition and therefore easily lead the Solo standing with 330 points each. Italy (Linda Cerruti) is third with 250 points.

The same stars, together with their partners, top the Duet standing with 320 points each for Japan and Ukraine, while Italy earned 295 points.

The Ukrainian girls were the best in the Team events this season and collected 760 points. Slovakia is second with 474 points, and France secure the third spot with 420 points.

In the Mixed event, Italy clinches the top position with 308 pints and Spain follows with 310.

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The 2018 circuit is now completed and you can see all the results [here](#). The competition will resume next year in March 2019.

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MONTENEGRO STUNS HOSTS IN BUDAPEST



Montenegro claimed the victory tonight (Saturday June 23) in Budapest (HUN), where the FINA Men's Water Polo World League Super Final 2018 was taking place since Monday June 18.

The Balkan team stunned the hosts 13-11 after a penalty shootout in a thrilling final at the brand new state-of-the-art Duna Arena, a venue that was built for the 17th FINA World Championships last summer in the Magyar capital.

The score at the end of the game was 9-9 (HUN vs MNE: 2-2, 4-2, 2-3, 1-2) but Montenegro outscored the Hungarians 4-2 during the penalty shootout to claim the Super Final crown.

In the bronze medal match, Spain crushed Japan 12-7, with a dominant last quarter (4-2, 3-3, 1-2, 4-0).

World champions Croatia ended up winning 10-8 the 5th medal game against Australia (3-2, 2-2, 4-3, 1-1).

The United States of America beat Kazakhstan 9-3 with a leading start (4-0, 01, 3-1, 2-1).

Final ranking 2018

1. Montenegro, 2. Hungary, 3. Spain, 4. Japan, 5. Croatia, 6. Australia, 7. USA, 8. Kazakhstan

Individual awards

Top scorers: Aleksandar Iovic (MNE), Mladen Janovic (MNE), Inada Yosuke (JPN) with 14-14 goals

Most Valuable Player: Marton Vamos (HUN)

Best goalkeeper: Viktor Nagy (HUN)

Best Young Player: Inada Yosuke (JPN)

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MYRTHA POOLS VISITS MALLEY COMPLEX IN LAUSANNE (SUI)

One year after opening an office in Switzerland, FINA Official Partner Myrtha Pools organised today a visit to the future Malley Aquatic Complex in Lausanne (SUI). The Italian company will provide the pools of the facility - one 50m and one 25m pool, one diving pool, and one leisure pool -, which is scheduled to open in October 2020. It will be a much-needed venue in the Olympic capital, where the FINA Headquarters are also based.

In the visit to the Malley site, Myrtha Pools representatives were accompanied by guests coming from FINA, city of Lausanne, Swiss Swimming Federation, Swiss Timing, local swimming clubs, and naturally the responsible for the construction of the complex.

"We are very happy to be associated with this important project. Thanks to the international exposure of our high-standard products, used in Olympic Games and FINA World Championships, the city of Lausanne honoured us with the provision of the swimming pools here in Malley", considered Marcus Roettger, International Business Development director at Myrtha Pools. *"We are much more than a*

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company doing pools for elite competitions - in fact, it's only about 10% of our business -, but this component is a very strong marketing argument for Myrtha Pools", he added.

Patrick Wohlhauser, responsible for Myrtha Pools' office in Givisiez (SUI) was also a happy man: "We have opened our office in Switzerland in July 2017, and we are working very fruitfully with some swimming clubs and leisure facilities. We are not in a huge market, but in a rather demanding one, so we thought it would be better to offer our services closer to our potential customers", he said.

Myrtha Pools is a FINA Official Partner since 2009, providing swimming pools for the FINA World Championships and FINA World Swimming Championships (25m). In the upcoming edition of the 25m showcase, to take place from December 11-16, 2018 in Hangzhou (CHN), Myrtha Pools will install a temporary pool in an existing tennis complex.

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