

What's WMRA Youth Challenge?

It is the only international mountain running event for young people. The event was created in 2004, organised first at Pian del Fraiss and then, from 2005 to 2008, on the hills of Susa, by the local team of Atletica Susa.

Created in memory of Marco Germanetto, several times winner of the Italian youth championships, who died in 1999, the Challenge has grown over the years, becoming one of five WMRA Major Events.

In 2009 it took place in Osteim sur Rhone, in the German Black Forest, with the participation of 12 Nations, one more than the 2008 edition in Susa.

As Atletica Susa was the first inventor and organiser of the event, every two years WMRA must give them priority to organise the Marco Germanetto Memorial. That will take place in 2010.

The event will become important for the whole Susa Valley: this is the new project of Atletica Susa and the Association Amici di Marco for 2010.

In the last years some secondary events have taken place as a result of the event, especially the concert, which is an important part of "Marco Germanetto Memorial"

Why Sauze d'Oulx?

There was a very strong connection between Sauze d'Oulx and mountain running. From 2000 to 2005 the winter ski resort has been one of the most important places in the world for mountain runners during the summer.

World Mountain Running Trophy 2004 brought runners from more than 35 different Nations in the world. The event is remembered as one of the most important of all time. The WMRA Youth Challenge aims to re-establish this connection.

Program

Friday 25th June

National teams arrival

Saturday 26th June

Ore 10.00: technical meeting

Ore 14.30: start youth national race

Ore 16.30: WMRA Youth Challenge - women

Ore 17.00: WMRA Youth Challenge - men

Ore 18.00: prize giving ceremony

Ore 19.00: dinner and final party

Course:

Details of races will be communicated as soon as possible.