

The 11th Engadin La Diagonela will be complemented by skating races, known as "La Sfida," on Sunday, January 21, 2024.

Zuoz, October 10, 2023 – Engadin La Diagonela has established itself as Switzerland's largest cross-country skiing race in the classic technique. In addition to the existing races in the classic technique, including La Diagonela (56km), La Pachifica (25km), and La Cuorta (6km), "La Sfida" will complement the Engadin La Diagonela race weekend with a 30km skating technique race on Sunday, January 21, 2024.

La Sfida, the stage race that was previously held over three days, is being reinvented and integrated into Engadin La Diagonela after five years. With "La Sfida" now taking place on the La Diagonela weekend, a 30-kilometer skating race is added to the existing races, including La Diagonela (56km), La Pachifica (25km), and La Cuorta (6km) on Saturday, January 20, 2024. La Sfida will start on Sunday, January 21, 2024, at 10 a.m. at the Center Sur En in Zuoz, with the finish line in Silvaplana. La Sfida is considered an ideal preparatory race for the Engadin Skimarathon.

The organizing committee of Engadin La Diagonela is collaborating with the OC of La Sfida for this event. Christoph Mosimann, a founding member of La Sfida, expressed great satisfaction with the integration of La Sfida into Engadin La Diagonela: "Due to changes in the OC's environment, La Sfida could not be held in its previous form. We are convinced that we have found the right partners in the OC of La Diagonela, who, like us, pour a lot of passion into organizing their own races. Furthermore, we are happy to be able to continue offering a race with the DNA of La Sfida through this collaboration within the cross-country skiing community."

Ramun Ratti, OC President of La Diagonela, is also delighted with the new race under the umbrella of Engadin La Diagonela: "We wanted to extend the La Diagonela weekend, and we have found the perfect partner in La Sfida for this purpose. We look forward to jointly expanding the La Diagonela experience over several days and offering cross-country skiers an even more diverse range of options."

On Saturday, January 20, 2024, there will be a combined Skiathlon event featuring La Pachifica (25km/classic), and on Sunday, January 21, 2024, La Sfida (30km/skating) as part of the Engadin La Diagonela weekend.

Race Overview Engadin La Diagonela 2024:

Saturday, January 20, 2024:

- La Diagonela, 56km, classic technique (Pontresina – St. Moritz – Zuoz, village square)
- La Pachifica, 25km, classic technique (Pontresina – Zuoz, Dorfplatz)
- La Cuorta, 6km, classic technique (Zuoz, Center Sur En – Zuoz, village square)

Sunday, January 21, 2024:

- La Sfida, 30km, free style (Zuoz, Center Sur En – Silvaplana)

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