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## America's Cup World Series in Naples, 11 - 15 April 2012

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Eleven catamarans will compete in races with a combination of official match race between two boats and challenges fleet racing. The wind conditions are good. The teams participating are: Artemis Racing (Sweden) (challenger of record) of the Royal Swedish Yacht Club, Bar (United Kingdom) (challenger) at the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club, China Team (China) (challenger), Emirates Team New Zealand (New Zealand) (challenger), Energy Team (France) (challenger), the Yacht Club de France, Racing Green Comm (Spain) (challenger) of the Real Club Nautico de Valencia, Luna Rossa Challenge 2013 (Italy) (challenger) of the Sailing Club Sicily, Oracle Racing (USA) (defender of the title) and Team Korea (Corea del Sud) (sfidante) del Sail Korea Yacht Club.

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To make this challenge even more exciting is the presence of Luna Rossa here in Naples, and made his debut back in this edition of the race known and most important of the world. The AC World Series touches so in this period, the beautiful city of Naples and will be an opportunity for visitors and tourists in this period are present in the Neapolitan capital to admire and appreciate the promenade, the sea and beaches as well as the beautiful historic -cultural city. This major sailing event sport has taken off since April 7 with the opening of the race village and with many events and activities side-event.

The opening ceremony was held Sunday, April 8 in the great Piazza Plebiscito with the presentation of the teams, with great music and lots of special moments of entertainment and light shows.

The competitive sailing apply to the AC World Series will be held in Naples and will begin officially April

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11 but the training of teams have started as early as April 3. The race course is represented by the area of sea that lies just off the waterfront of the city and then by the promontories of the city, and Posillipo hills you can admire the AC45 that challenge between the buoys with a breathtaking view across the bay.

Since April 7, you can watch and follow the training sessions of the various teams involved, thanks to an official service of boats dedicated solely to accommodate viewers who will have the opportunity to admire the boats from the sea, the ships officers-stage have a capacity of 300 seats and give the possibility to follow the official races from 11 to 15 April, from an exclusive point of view and in close contact with vessels engaged in races. These boats will set sail from the pier for the public Lauro and Via Caracciolo placing near the perimeter of the race will give the chance to see a closer evolution of boats during the race.

Reservations, information and details can be found by visiting the website or even [www.acnapoli.org](http://www.acnapoli.org) to this address. In Italy the races will be broadcast on Mediaset, the YouTube channel of the America's Cup news and discussions on Facebook at [www.facebook.com / americascup](http://www.facebook.com/americascup) while for updates on weather, the sailors on the comments, updates on regattas and other information, is available with daily updates, the site [www.americascup.com](http://www.americascup.com)

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The city of Naples, also with its beautiful attractions and its history of traditions relating to the sea, provides a perfect setting for this international event with a suitable location and identification with the spirit of the America's Cup. This is the thought expressed by Ian Murray, director of the America's Cup racer who did not spare praise the organization in Naples.

The American's Cup in Naples is an opportunity to revive not only the city but throughout the country and belongs to a project with the Forum of Cultures raises major centers of cultural and historical attractions such as Pompei as well as giving the city a worthy image as representative of the wonders of Italy.

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In total eleven will present the nine catamarans and crews from 11 to 15 April will compete in races with a combination of official match race between two boats and challenges fleet racing. The wind conditions are good and this can ensure announce the show, and cats can be very fast.

The Public Event Village Villa Comunale in Naples, the heart of the event, has an area of 14,000 square

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meters, 4,000 of which were devoted to the exhibition of products and excellent bells.

The World Series of America's Cup after Naples, here in Italy, will be in Venice 15 to 20 May 2012 but the Race Village opens as early as May 12th, then back to the U.S. to Newport from June 26 to July 1 and will continue with two stages in August and October in San Francisco to complete the appointments of 2012 and then opened in April 2013 returning here always again to Italy in Venice.

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