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The Rally d'Italia Sardegna opens the entries. Competitors will have time to enter until the 25th of May. The Italian challenge between tradition and renewal.

The Rally d'Italia Sardegna 2010, organised by the Automobile Club Italia, opens the entries to the event that will be held from June 4th to June 6th.

The new challenge takes place in the name of tradition, but also of a profound renewal. Tradition because it is an event connected to Sardinia, its territory and its people, Innovation for the fact that this year's edition will not only dwell in the north of the region but its path will involve most of the island.

The 2010 Rally is valid as the fifth round of the Intercontinental Rally Challenge 2010 and will come out for the first time of its natural cradle, Gallura and Acuto mountain, to head south. The opening ceremony will take place in Cagliari, next the rally will make its way up to west coast of Sardinia, involving Oristano and its surroundings, and definitely will head up to Olbia and the East coast of the Island.

Cagliari, on Friday 4th June, will host the opening ceremony. The special stage foreseen in the harbor area, as stated in the first edition of the event program, has been canceled due to technical reasons. The rally will restart in Cagliari the following morning. The competitors will progress towards the Oristano area to tackle the four timed sections (Monte Grighine and Gonnosnò repeated twice) with the service park situated in Simaxis (Oristano area).

Then still on Saturday, June 5th, the drivers will aim to Olbia facing two more timed special stages in the arduous and challenging Mount Lerno. The total of timed kilometers for the first leg of the rally will be about 110km.

Sunday June 6th to conclude, the last day of competition will consist of 106 timed kilometers with in program six special legs (Coiluna, Sa Conchedda, Terranova, repeated twice). The arrival will be in the enchanting setting of Porto Cervo.

The Rally d'Italia Sardegna 2010 is also valid as coefficient 2 for the "Trofeo Rally Terra", a prestigious national championship for specialists of gravel.

The Rally Headquarters it will be located at the museum archaeological of Olbia, and the Service park it will be set up at the Molo Brin of Olbia, next to the Rally HQ.

At the end, the Rally del Corallo, competition of historical's cars that counts for the European and the Italian Championship of the speciality, will race together the Rally d'Italia Sardegna.

Shortly Program:

- June 1st: Opening Rally Office
- June 1st and 2nd: Administrative scrutineering
- June 2nd and 3rd: Reconnaissance
- June 3rd: Opening Accreditation Centre and Press Room
- June 3rd: Scrutineering
- June 4th: Shakedown from 8.00am to 12.00am
- June 4th: Transfer from Olbia to Cagliari
- June 4th: from 8.00pm ceremonial start in Cagliari
- June 5th: first leg (Cagliari – Olbia)
- June 6th: second leg (Olbia – Olbia)

Any informations please consult www.rallyitaliasardegna.com