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ACEA GREEN CUP 2021, TODAY IN ROME THE FIRST EDITION OF THE REGATTA THAT COMBINES SPORT AND SUSTAINABILITY

The regatta inspired by the sustainable development goals in the 2030 Agenda took place in the port of Ostia

The event was the occasion to present the company's best environmental protection and local development projects

Rome, 26 September 2021 – The first edition of the **ACEA GREEN CUP "sustainable"** regatta took place today in the port of Ostia. The event was organized by the Acea Group in collaboration with Marevivo and 100Vele, with **the support of the Ministry of Ecological Transition**. An initiative that contributes to raise awareness and promote **topics linked to sustainability and the environment**.

The event was attended by the Mayor of Rome, **Virginia Raggi**, the Councilor for Sport, Tourism, Youth Policies, and Large City Events for the City of Rome, **Veronica Tasciotti** and, for the Acea Group, President **Michaela Castelli**, CEO **Giuseppe Gola**, and Operations Director **Giovanni Papaleo**.

A total of 14 crews from 21 companies part of the Group took part in this first edition of the regatta, competing on a 4.5 mile course. Albeit not part of the competition, **Eco40, the zero emissions and completely sustainable** sailing boat on which owner Matteo Miceli singlehandedly sailed around the world in 2014, was also present at the event. The regatta was won by the boat of **Acea Energia**.

Acea Green Cup was not just a regatta and a day dedicated to sport, it was also the occasion to highlight the environmental protection and local development **projects of the companies within the Group**. The projects that best achieved the sustainability objectives were selected through an internal contest.

Among them, the **"Digital Help Desk"** project for the new contact channel created by Acea Ato 2 which contributed to ensuring contacts with customers and service continuity even during lockdown. The **"Circular Economy Protocol"**, by the Tuscan company Acquedotto del Fiora, which was commended for the management model that involves reinvesting part of the funds obtained from tariffs in useful projects for the local communities. **"Energy for Sarno"**, by the Campania-based company Gori, an important environmental project dedicated to the river ecosystem and the Gulf of Naples. In the reusable resources sector, **"iWAYS"**, by Simam, is a project dedicated to the recovery and valorization of the energy potential and the resources contained in exhaust fumes.



Last but not least, “**ACEA Vaccine Hub**”, based in the former car park at the Company’s premises in Rome, which to date has provided over **70,000 vaccine doses**, contributing significantly to the Covid-19 vaccination campaign.

“**ACEA Green Cup** – said President **Michaela Castelli** – is not simply a sporting event, it was also our **first opportunity to create a safe space where our people could meet in person** and enhance the Group’s commitment to the growth of the company. Among all the excellent projects, I want to say a few words of appreciation especially for the vaccine hub, which provided further evidence of Acea’s commitment to the community in which we operate.

“Today’s sailing event is a new venture for the ACEA Group – said CEO **Giuseppe Gola**. We wanted to promote it because sailing is so strongly linked to the sea and the environment that it becomes a symbol of sustainability. Our group has always elected development strategies that bring together industrial growth and environmental protection. In the next few years, we will increase our commitment to integrating sustainability targets in our business choices, so that we can support the country's ecological transition in an increasingly practical way.

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