

JUNIOR VAGLIANO TROPHY

GREAT BRITAIN & IRELAND VS THE CONTINENT OF EUROPE

GOLF CLUB BOGOGNO, ITALY 30 JUNE – 1 JULY 2017



ANE URCHEGUI GARCÍA
(Captain)



CATERINA DON



BLANCA FERNÁNDEZ GARCÍA-POGGIO



ISABELLA HOLPFER



AMANDA LINNER



ALESSIA NOBILIO



EMILIE ALBA PALTRINIERI

CONTINENT OF EUROPE TEAM

The fourth edition of the biennial Junior Vagliano Trophy will be played in conjunction with the Vagliano Trophy at Bogogno Golf Club near Milano, Italy, on 30 June and 1 July 2017.

The Continental Team, who won the first three matches at Royal Porthcawl Golf Club, Wales, Golf de Chantilly, France, and Malone Golf Club, Ireland, will send a very strong contingent of talented girls, firmly committed to retain the Trophy.

The team will be led by Captain Ane Urchegui (ESP) who, as a player, has won silver with the Spanish national team in the European Girls' Team Championship and bronze in the European Ladies' Team Championship in 2008, as well as gold in the 2012 and bronze in the 2013 European Ladies' Club Trophy with her home club, Basozabal.

The hosting nation and reigning European Girls' Team Champion, Italy, will be represented by three players: Alessia Nobilio, Emilie Alba Paltrinieri and Caterina Don.

Nobilio, finalist of the 2017 Spanish Ladies Amateur Championship, can look back on a successful 2016 season with wins at the French International Ladies Amateur Stroke Play and Belgian International Girls Championships, reaching the semi-final at the Girls' British Open and placing tied third at the Ladies' British Open Amateur Stroke Play Championship.

Paltrinieri won the Girls' British Open and the Stroke Play Qualification of the European Girls' Team Championship in 2016. Additionally, she won the Italian Ladies Match Play - Giuseppe Silva Trophy, made third place at the Belgian International Girls (U18) and fifth place at the European Young Masters, and was selected for the 2016 Junior Ryder Cup European Team.

The two girls from Milano will be joined by compatriot, Don, who finished tied 14th at the 2016 European Ladies' Amateur Championship, and was runner-up in both the Italian Ladies Stroke Play Championship - Isa Goldschmid Trophy, and the Italian International Amateur Championship last year.

The lowest WAGRanked European U16 player, apart from Julia Engstör, who has been selected for the Vagliano Trophy team, is Amanda Linner (SWE). She had an excellent start to 2017 by winning the French International U21 (Esmond Trophy), reaching the quarter-final in the Spanish International Ladies' Amateur Championship, finishing second in the ANNIKA Invitational and third in the Scottish Women's Open (Helen Holm).

Austria will be represented by Isabella Holpfer who already gained international match experience in the 2015 Junior Vagliano Trophy. Holpfer placed fourth in the 2016 Austrian Stroke Play Championship and recorded a top-10 finish in the Irish Women's Open Stroke Play Championship, which she had won in 2015 at the age of 14.

The team will be completed by Blanca Fernandez Garcia-Poggio, two-time Spanish U16-Champion, who recently finished runner-up in the Spanish International Stroke Play Championship after several top finishes in regional events in Spain during this and last year.

Natalia Asequinolaza Martin (ESP) will be first reserve.

The Captain Ane Urchegui expressed her excitement for the matches:

"I am so excited to be captain of the junior team. We will enjoy the experience with the girls and play the best golf trying to keep the Trophy on the Continent of Europe."

More information and live scoring will be available on the EGA website: <http://www.ega-golf.ch>

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