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# ISSF Press Release N. 41/2017 Resca wins men's Trap world title in Moscow

Moscow (RUS), 03 September 2017 - The Italian flag was risen once again atop of the podium of the 2017 ISSF Shotgun World Championship in Moscow, today, as Daniele Resca won the men's Trap final with 43 hits out of 50 targets.

Yesterday, his teammate Jessica Rossi claimed the women's event with the same score.

31-year old Resca had never won an ISSF gold medal before. Ranked 18th in the world, he beat Rio 2016 bronze medalist Edward Ling of Great Britain, leaving him in second place with 40 hits.

The Italian shooter led for most of the match, putting his victory at risk at the end of final, as he missed three out his last six targets. But Ling did not take advantage of his opponent's mistakes, missing two targets out his last three.

Jiri Liptak of Czech Republic took the bronze with 33 hits. The 2010 world champion Alberto Fernandez of Spain finished in fourth place with 25 hits. USA's Derek Haldeman and India's Kynan Chenai followed them in fifth and sixth place, with 21 and 17 hits, respectively.

### Resca said:

"This is my first world championship. I arrived here in Moscow coming from a bad performance at this year's European Championship in Baku, where I wasted all my chances at the last series. I really wanted to do well here, to show what I can do."

"It has been a great final. The new format with 50 targets is perfect and really fair. I have been preparing for it, and I was ready. I missed some clays at the end of the match just because I was a bit tired."

"I have been training at the new shooting range opened by Jessica Rossi (the 2012 Olympic champion who won the world title in the women's trap event yesterday, ed.). I live near by, and it's a great place to train."

"Finally I have a gold medal around my neck. This title pays off all the sacrifices and hard work. I have been shooting for 16 years now, and I would like to dedicate this victory to my family. They always supported me, through huge sacrifices."

Team Italy (Resca, Giovanni Pellielo, Valerio Grazini) also won the teams' gold with a tally of 362 hits. Czech Republic (Jiri Liptak, David Kostelecky, Vladimir Stepan) took silver with 359 hits, leaving bronze to Spain (Alberto Fernandez, Antonio Bailon, Jose Luis Rodriguez Uris) with 357 targets.

Earlier today, 17-year old Clement Francis Andre Bourgue of France took the men's junior Trap Gold with 43 hits, beating Italy's Matteo Marongiu (17) second with a score of 42. Australia's 20-year-old Jack Wallace taking Bronze medal with 31 hits.

The 2017 ISSF Shotgun World Championship in Moscow Region, Russia, sees 640 athletes form 76 countries competing in 22 official medal events, including team, separate junior events, and the new Mixed Team finals.

The competition will continue tomorrow, with the Trap Mixed Team event. Medal matches are scheduled at 16.30 (UTC+3), and will be streamed live on the <u>ISSF website</u>, on the Federation's <u>Livestream channel</u> and on its official <u>Facebook page</u>, as well as on the <u>Olympic Channel</u>. The finals will also be televised through the Eurovision network. Live results of the competitions, news and updates will be available on <u>www.issf-sports.org</u> and on all ISSF social media platforms: <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, <u>Weibo</u> and <u>Youku</u>.

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### **Notes for the editors:**

The International Shooting Sport Federation is the governing body of the Olympic Shooting events, and it has over 160 affiliated National Federations worldwide. Shooting is an Olympic sport since the very first edition of the modern Olympic Games, Athens 1896. Find out more about the International Shooting Sport Federation at <a href="https://www.issf-sports.org">www.issf-sports.org</a>.

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