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Jolyn Beer and Alessia Iezzi bring Germany and Italy atop
the World Cup Final podium in New Delhi

New Delhi (IND), 28 October 2017 - The second-to-last competition day at the ISSF World Cup Final in New Delhi (IND) saw Germany and Italy claim the two seasonal titles up for grabs: German 23-year-old Rifle shooter Jolyn Beer and Italian 21-year-old Shotgun shooter Alessia Iezzi respectively ruled the women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions and the women's Trap final, both pocketing their first ever ISSF crystal globe.

50m Rifle 3 Positions Women

An exciting and tight duel between non-other than four shooters ended with Germany's Jolyn Beer winning the women's 50m Rifle 3 Positions trophy in New Delhi.

To claim her first career ISSF crystal globe, Beer prevailed over multi-decorated shooter Snjezana Pejčic (35) of Croatia, who were on top of the table at the end of both the kneeling and the prone position.

A perfect 10.9 on shot 43 turned out to be crucial for Beer, who grabbed the lead and found herself sitting on a 0.9-point advantage on Pejčic with just one shot left to fire. There, the German 23-year-old nailed an almost perfect 10.8, finishing with 459.9 points and claiming the brightest medal.

Hitting a bad 9.3 on her final shot, Pejčic concluded with 457.5 points, taking 2nd place and preceding People's Republic of China Zhang Yiwen, whom she had just beaten in a shoot-off for the Bronze medal position. The Chinese 21-year-old then finished with 448.2 points.

After momentarily taking the lead with a remarkable 10.5 on her 41st shot, 19-year-old Shi Mengyao, also of the People's Republic of China, nailed a disappointing 9.0-9.6 combination, sliding down and finishing in 4th place with 436.9 points.

Shi was followed the third Chinese final participant, 28-year-old Zhang Binbin, who took 5th place with 425.3 points, and by 26-year-old Denmark's shooter Stine Nielsen, 6th with 414.3.

A second German finalist was eliminated after the 40th shot: 23-year-old Selina Gschwandtner, in fact, failed to find the right pace and took 8th place with 398.0 points, while Singapore's Jasmine Ser Xiang Wei (27) concluded in 7th position with 402.5 points.

Trap Women

The Trap Women event, then, saw young, talented and reckless Alessia Iezzi of Italy face and beat a panel of shooters that included former ISSF World Champion Fatima Galvez (30) of Spain, Rio 2016 Gold medalist Catherine Skinner (27) of Australia and two-time Olympic medalist Zuzana Rehak Stefecekova (33) of Slovakia.

After entering the final with the second highest qualification score, Iezzi warmed up quickly, missing four total clays in her first three series and closing the first half of the match with 10 straight hits.

As her rivals started missing more, 21-year-old Iezzi kept shooting consistently, climbing up the table and entering the 10 final targets with a 1-hit advantage on Spanish shooter Fatima Galvez (30). There, with a decisive point in her hands, she missed the very last clay of the match, tying the score at 41 and thus extending the final.

In the following shoot-off, however, it was Galvez who surrendered first, missing her second additional target and letting Alessia Iezzi burst in joy and tears, as she had to deal for the whole match with a painful index-finger injury she suffered during the qualification round.

For Galvez it's the second World Cup Final medal after the Bronze won in Nicosia (CYP) in 2015.

Despite crushing 24 of her first 25 targets, Lebanon's 29-year-old Ray Bassil finished in 3rd place, missing seven of the following 15 and concluding with 32 hits out of 40 targets.

The Gold medalist of this year's World Cup stage in New Delhi almost stepped on the podium of the Dr. Karni Singh Shooting Range for a second time: Australia's Penny Smith, indeed, placed in 4th position with 28 target hits out of 35, missing the podium by just 1 hit.

London 2012 Silver medalist Zuzana Rehak Stefecekova of Slovakia hit 24 out of 30 clays, missing her very last one and taking 5th place, while Rio 2016 Olympic Champion Catherine Skinner, also of Australia, left the match after 25 targets, finishing 6th with 18 hits.

The ISSF World Cup Final in New Delhi (IND) will conclude tomorrow with the three last finals: the 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men, scheduled at 11:15 am (UTC+5:30); the 50m Rifle 3 Positions Men, scheduled at 1:00 pm; and the Trap Men, scheduled at 4:30 pm.

All three finals will be streamed live on the [ISSF website](#), on the Federation's [Livestream channel](#), on its official [Facebook page](#) and on the [Olympic Channel](#).

Live results of the competitions, news and updates will be available on www.issf-sports.org and on all ISSF social media platforms: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), [Weibo](#) and [Youku](#).

For the 50m Rifle 3 Positions Women complete results [click here](#).

For the Trap Women complete results [click here](#).

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Notes for the editors:

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