



Steve Simon
Chairman / CEO

Dear Tennis Fans,

On behalf of the WTA, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the Veneto Open Internazionali Confindustria Venezia e Rovigo, a WTA 125 tournament held in the magnificent surroundings of Gaiba, Italy.

This year the WTA will mark its 50th anniversary as the Tour celebrates its history of pioneers, spectacular athletes, rivalries, historical sporting endeavors, along with the founding principle and strive for equality. We have many exciting celebrations planned across 2023 as we honor the past, enjoy the present, and look to the future.

The Veneto Open Internazionali Confindustria Venezia e Rovigo plays an important role as part of the WTA 125 series of tournaments which provide a platform offering established WTA players and the new stars of the sport the ability to compete and continue their progression in reaching the highest levels of the WTA Tour.

The WTA boasts an incredibly diverse array of players and personalities, many of which you will see here at the Veneto Open Internazionali Confindustria Venezia e Rovigo, from established superstars to emerging new talent eager to make their mark on the sport.

The Veneto Open Internazionali Confindustria Venezia e Rovigo would not be possible without the hard work and support of their dedicated tournament team - from sponsors, local suppliers, staff and volunteers – and I would like to thank them all for their collaboration and continued commitment to women's tennis.

Finally, I would like to thank you, our loyal fans, for all you do in making the WTA the leading global sports organization for women. Whether you've followed and supported women's tennis for the last 50 years, or are joining us for the first time this season, welcome to the Hologic WTA Tour. We're just getting started.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Steve Simon', is positioned below the text.