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Italy's Tuscany region to stage ride for the first time

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Pisa, Italy: The first in a new endurance series, the His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Endurance Cup Festival, is to highlight the opening round of the Toscana Endurance Lifestyle competition held in Italy's Tuscany region on Sunday.

Toscana Endurance Lifestyle is now in its second year and in addition to Round 1, the series also features Round 2 on July 30, Round 3 on August 27-28 and Round 4 on September 10-11.

Each round of the series will consist of a number of FEI-approved rides as well as the Italian Open Championship, a Ladies Cup and the Italian Championship for Riders under 14 Years.

On competition day riders will take part in rides including the Italian Championship Open, the CEI 3* 160km, the CEI 2* 120km, the CEI J 2* 120km and the CEI 1* 92km.

Held in the scenic San Rossore Regional Park, the event is set to attract some of the world's best endurance riders.

Mohammad Eisa Al Adhab, General Manager, Dubai Equestrian Club, said: "As an endurance event Toscana Endurance Lifestyle provides a picturesque stage upon which some of the best horse-and-rider partnerships can compete.

"As the former Endurance World Champion, His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, is a great admirer of endurance riding and through his vision and guidance the His Highness Shaikh Mohammad Bin Rashid Al Maktoum Endurance Cup Festival will be staged for the first time as part of Toscana Endurance Lifestyle 2016 and this event further underpins Meydan's commitment to the growth and development of endurance riding, not just within Dubai and the UAE but around the world."

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