

# The capital receives in September the sailboats of the first race Discoveries Race Los Alisios

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The first edition of the Discoveries Race Los Alisios will take place on August 27, 2017 from Lisbon / Cascais to Las Palmas de Gran Canaria where the arrival of the boats is expected in early September. It is a commemorative regatta in recognition of the first Spanish and Portuguese discovering sailors, which will have its colophon on September 3 with the awards ceremony in the capital of Gran Canaria.

The race, which was presented this morning organized by the European Sailing Association with the collaboration of the City Council of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, the Cabildo of Gran Canaria and the Royal Yacht Club of Gran Canaria, will have a 740 mile ORC and OPEN classes in monohulls and a 1,000-mile course for multihull, catamaran and trimaran classes.

The event was attended by the councilor of Ciudad de Mar City Council of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, José Eduardo Ramírez, president of the Royal Yacht Club of Gran Canaria, Fernando del Castillo; The Minister of the Presidency and Treasury of the Cabildo of Gran Canaria, Pedro Justo Brito; And the delegate in the Canary Islands of the European Brotherhood of the Sailing, Enrique Boissier. Also present were the honorary consul of Portugal, Joaquín Juliá Quevedo; The lieutenant of Naval, Javier Adán of the Field, the lieutenant colonel of Intendance of the Spanish Navy, Francisco Caamaño Aramburu: the commodore of the RCN of Gran Canaria, Manuel less.

The registration period for this new high-altitude race will end on 20 August. As of today, six boats have confirmed their participation. The members are the Spanish Kunga (CN Punta Lagoa-Vigo), Nautilus (Spanish Armada Esengra School of Ferrol) and Protein 65 (CN Sada in A Coruña), and the Portuguese Sao Gabriel, NRP Zarco and NRP Polar, the latter two of The Portuguese Navy. The organization has confirmed that there are pending the participation of several boats, with many chances of being at the starting line. They are two English ships, a Galician ship and a Portuguese boat.

José Eduardo Ramírez, highlighted the condition of the capital as an Atlantic scale especially in 2017, a year in which Las Palmas de Gran Canaria will receive a total of four Atlantic races: the last Rendez-Vous Tall Ships; The Regatta of the Alisios-Discoveries Race, in early September; The Minitransat in October and the ARC in November.

The departure of the Discoveries Race-Regatta de los Alisios will be on August 27 at 12 noon in front of the Monument to the Discoveries in Lisbon. For ORC and OPEN monohull boats the time limit for the voyage will be 168 hours and for the 144 multihulls. There will be a classification for each class in time compensated and another classification in real time.

The idea of this voyage was born at the tables held on the occasion of the investiture of new confraternities in the city of Oporto in September 2016. The brother and veteran Gran Canaria regimentalist Enrique Boissier presented the idea of reviving the old Brest-Las Palmas regatta, which led to a group of co-brotherhood members to begin to mature the issue, initially focusing on creating a regatta in honor of the two great discovering countries in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.

Discoveries Race 2017 aims not only to promote sport, cultural and economic exchange, but to discover to develop and promote the understanding of friendship and equality between friends of different nationalities united by a common passion; the sea.

The Discoveries Race-Regatta de los Alisios is organized by the European Sailing Federation, sponsored by Isla Canela Marina, Golf & Beach Resorts and with the collaboration of the Cabildo of Gran Canaria, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria City Council, RCN Gran Canaria, Cascais Marina, CN Cascais, AN Lisboa, Marinha, Spanish Armada, Port Authority of Las Palmas, Murimar Seguros, El Corte Inglés and WOR-60 Sportwear.