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STORY HEADLINE: EUROPE WIN MIXED CONTINENTAL TEAM GOLD TO BRING FENCING PROGRAMME AT BUENOS AIRES TO A CLOSE

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The fencing programme at Buenos Aires 2018 came to a close on Wednesday with Europe winning Mixed Continental Team Gold.

For the final event, Fencers represented their continent rather than their National Olympic Committees.


Armand Spichiger of France won 15-9 in the men’s Foil, Italy’s Martina Favaretto in the women’s Foil won 20-17.

In the men’s Epee, Davide di Veroli enjoyed a 20-17 victory. Kateryna Chorniy finished off proceedings with a 28-25 win in the Women’s event.

Buenos Aires 2018 is the third edition of the Summer Youth Olympic Games (YOG) to be held, bringing together the world’s best young athletes between the ages of 15 and 18. For the first time in Olympic history the Games will have gender equality, with equal numbers of males and females competing in the 32-sport programme.

Almost 4,000 athletes from 206 National Olympic Committees will be competing for 1,250 medals. The Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 feature new sports and many new disciplines and events, reflecting the passions of the ‘Game Changers’, a new generation of athletes and fans.

The event offers a glimpse into the future of the Games as the new programme will introduce several innovations that will be replicated at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.
The first Summer Youth Olympic Games took place in Singapore in 2010. The second edition was held in the Chinese city of Nanjing in 2014.

SHOTLIST:
00:11 Various shots of Hungarian Fencer, Krisztian Rabb during the Fencing Team event.
00:12 Various shots of Hungarian Fencer, Lisa Pusztai.
00:19 Action of the French Fencer, Armand Spichiger.
00:28 Action of the Italian Fencer, Martina Faveretto.
00:31 Action of the Ukrainian Fencer, Kateryna Chorniy.
00:36 Close up of the European Fencing Team.
00:39 Action of the end of the Final.
00:46 The European Fencing Team steps up onto the podium to receive their Mixed Team Fencing Gold.
00:53 The European Fencing Team receive their Gold Medal.

01:49 SOUNDBITE: Kateryna Chorniy, Mixed Continental Team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion. (Ukrainian Language)
“Насправді це щось неймовірне, тому що я тримаю свою медаль і.. ви просто ви, в мене...я в захваті від того, що це друга золота медаль і я її тримаю.”
Actually it's something incredible, as I am holding my medal and.. wow just wow..me…
I am thrilled with the second gold medal and that I am holding it.

02:02 The European Fencing Team receive the Buenos Aires Youth Olympic Games Mascot.

02:10 SOUNDBITE: Ukrainian Fencer, Kateryna Chorniy, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion. (English Language)
“I am very happy, I was very nervous, now I think one thing: dreams come true.”

02:22 Close up of the gold medal winners in the Mixed Continental Fencing Team hearing the Olympic anthem.

02:27 Shot of the Olympic Flag.

02:33 SOUNDBITE: Ukrainian Fencer, Kateryna Chorniy, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion. (English Language)
“I hope the next adults Olympic Games, maybe Tokyo, maybe Paris, that is my dream. I am trained and I try to do my best.”

02:47 The six gold medal winners hearing the Olympic anthem.

02:59 SOUNDBITE: Martina Faveretto, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion. (Italian Language)
“Eeh innanzi tutto sono molto molto contenta e beh è stata una grande emozione gareggiare a squadre e soprattutto vincere la medaglia d’oro che eeh tanto sognata diciamo.”
First of all I'm really really happy. It's been a great emotion to compete with my team. We won the gold medal I dreamed of so much.

03:12 The six Fencers with their Gold medal.

03:16 SOUNDbite: Martina Faveretto, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion. (Italian Language)

"il mio obiettivo era vincere una medaglia, anzitutto una medaglia e possibilmente d'oro, l'individuale è mancata quella, la medaglia d'oro e sono riuscita, però sono contenta perché sono riuscita a prenderla ora."

My goal was to win a medal. First of all a medal, possibly the gold medal. I did it, and I'm happy.

03:30 All competitors on the podium hearing the Olympic anthem.

03:34 SOUNDbite: Martina Faveretto, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion. (Italian Language).

"allora diciamo l'obiettivo più importante sono gli europei e i mondiali che saranno verso fine fine stagione; e poi cerco, cercare di fare bene un po' tutti gli appuntamenti di questa stagione, di coppa del mondo sia giovani che assoluti."

The most important goals now are the European and the World Championships that will be toward the end of the season. Of course, I will try to do my best in every season meetings.

03:50 The gold medal winners jump while they are on the podium.

03:54 SOUNDbite: Krisztian Rabb, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion (Hungarian Language)

"Nagyon jó érzések vannak bennem. Nagyon örülök ennek az aránynak is és egy nagyon jó csapattal tudtam versenyezni. És gratulálok a többieknek."

I have some very good feelings. I am very happy about this gold medal too and I had the chance to compete with a very good team. And also congratulations to the others.

04:04 Hungarian Fencers show their gold medal.

04:08 SOUNDbite: Lisa Pusztai, Mixed Continental team Fencing Youth Olympic Champion (English Language).

"I am very happy again, because it is also an Olympic Medal, my second one so I am very happy."

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