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### **Gold for Norway, Italy second after a challenge to the last pedal stroke**

Gold in the Relay Under 17 Team of the European Youth Mountainbike Championships in Pila (Vd'A) goes to Norway, after a challenge to the last pedal stroke with Italy, which wins the second silver of the first day of competitions, with bronze medal around the neck of the Swiss trio.

Norway immediately dictating the pace, with Sivert Ekroll closing the first fraction in 12'07 "and ahead of the Slovenian Zan Pahor and the Italian Elian Paccagnella by 16 seconds.

Second lap still dominated by the Norwegians, who not only consolidate their lead but with Nichlas Overlaasen they are able to lead Italy by 25 seconds, with a Davide Donati - glued from the start of the fraction to the Slovenian Balz Kavcic - who wins second place.

Situation reversed to a third of the last fraction, with the Italian Valentina Corvi first reducing the gap on the Norwegian Kristine Lisa Jorde and then starting to dictate the pace of the race. A battle that saw the two athletes the lonely one and the conquest of Switzerland Anina Hutter

Tomorrow, the individual Eliminator Xce begins: at 11 am the Under 15 will try to win the European jersey, while the Under 17 challenge is scheduled at 13.30. On the track the best 32 women and the best 64 men, starting grids dictated by the times obtained in the Time trial played on the first day of competitions of the European Championships in Pila.

