

A professional cyclist, Rui Costa, is shown in a dynamic, aerodynamic riding posture on a Colnago time trial bicycle. He is wearing a red helmet with 'MET' branding, a blue and white jersey with 'RIDE WITH PASSION' on the back, and black shorts with 'UAE Fly Emirates' and 'COLNAGO' branding. The background is a blurred green landscape, suggesting a race in progress.

## Rui Costa got the final 5th in GC at the Tour de Suisse

The Portuguese Rui Costa got 17th time in the last stage, and individual time trial from Schaffhausen to Schaffhausen on 28.6 km, confirming the 5th final position in the Overall Ranking. The Time trial was won by the Australian Rhoan Dennis (BMC) in 36'30" overtaking his team-mates Stefan Kung and Damiano Caruso. Simon Spilak (Katusha) won the general classification, second place for Damiano Caruso and third place for Steven Kruijswijk (LottoNL). The best UAE Team Emirates rider in the last stage was Valerio Conti, with a time of 37'46" ranked in 14th position. Conti also got a good 12th position in final GC.

Rui Costa: "My goal was the top 5 in this Tour de Suisse and at the end I got it. But I can't hide it was difficult because, even if I started well this week, I was tired in the final stages. I rode the Giro d'Italia where I spent a lot of energy, so I think was normal don't be fresh in this Tour de Suisse. Anyway I'm happy because as I said the minimum objective was the top 5 and I got it. Now my plan is a period of rest and after that to prepare the Tour of Poland and the Vuelta a Espana".

Simone Pedrazzini, sport director: "As Rui said our goal was a GC top 5 and thanks to all the team and Rui Costa we got it. Maybe we miss a victory, even if we were really close to get it two times with Rui and Modolo yesterday. Now we'll look ahead to new ambitious goals".

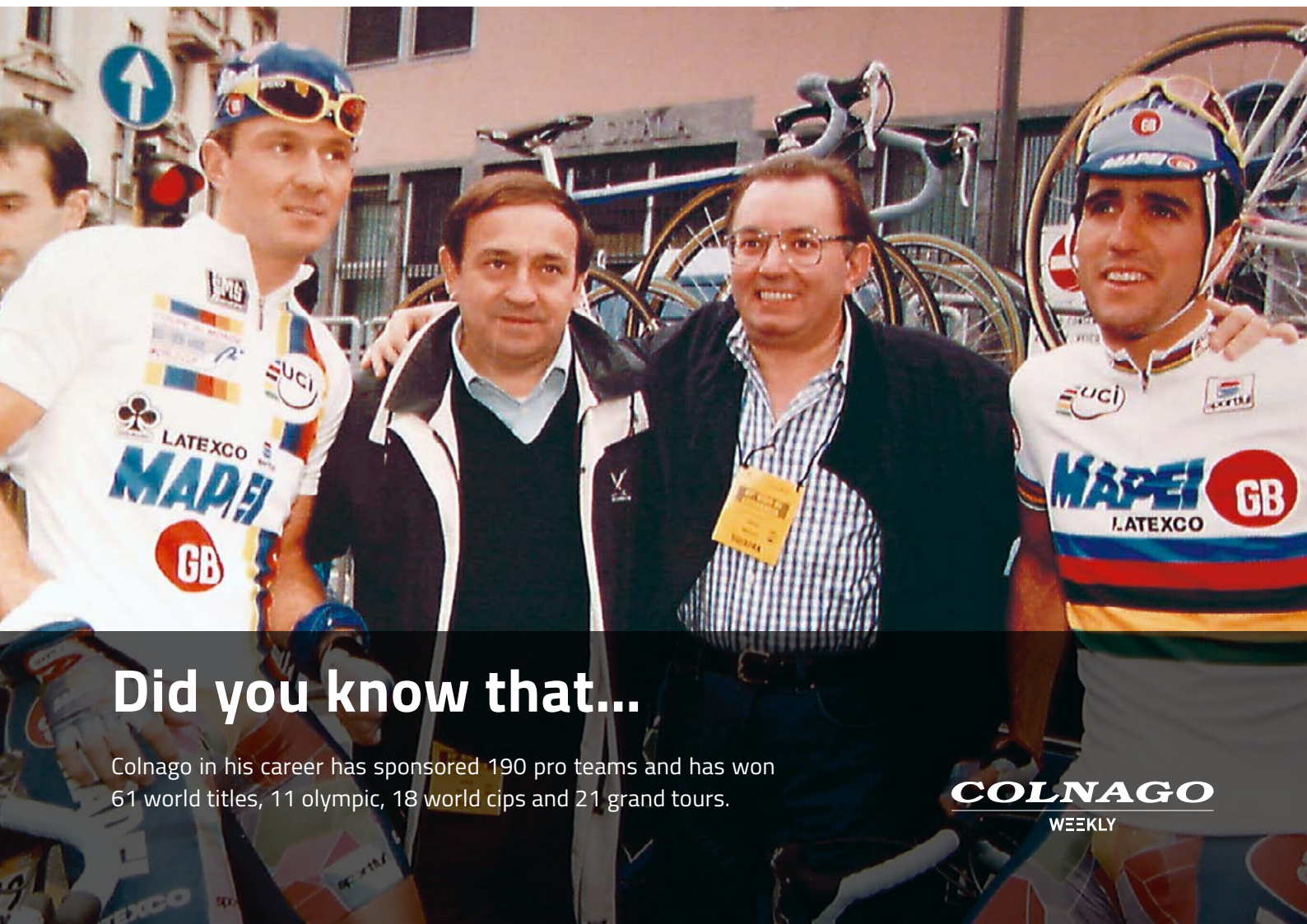


**Ferrari takes the 5th in the last stage at the Tour of Slovenia. Neo pro Ravasi got the 10th in the GC.**

Every time Ferrari has the role of captain of the team, he never fails to give his best and to obtain a good result. It happened also in the stage 4, 160 km from Rogaska Slatina to Novo Mesto, which ended the Tour de Slovenia: the Italian rider (photo Bettini) was 5th in the massive sprint which was won by Bennet on Cavendish, Colbrelli and Mareczko.

This is the third top 5 for Ferrari on three sprints in Slovenia: he has been 4th in the opening stage in Kocevje and he had been 2nd in Ljubljana (stage 2). No surprises in the general classification, which was won by Majka. One UAE Team Emirates' rider in the top 10: Edward Ravasi is 10th, +1'31". Polanc is 14th.

"In the Tour of Slovenia, we obtained a series of good results and we always achieved a place in the top 10 of each stage – sports director Maini explained – Ferrari demonstrated once again that it's a very reliable rider and he would have deserved one stage victory; Ravasi was strong in the queen stage and the final 10th place in the GC is important for giving him morale for the next appointments in the season. Polanc would have liked to obtain more in his more race, however it was very difficult for him, because he had spent many energies in the Giro d'Italia: the 14th place in the general classification it's the best he could achieve".



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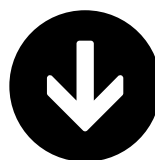
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