

Only one medal goes outside Europe

U23/Junior World Championships

Two individual gold medals for Czech Martina Satkova and a golden double for Italy's Cecilia Panato were the highlights on the penultimate day of competition at the junior and U23 wild water world championships in Banja Luka.

Satkova added the women's U23 kayak and canoe classic race gold medals to her sprint gold medals from Friday in another dominant display of wild water paddling. Panato brought her individual gold medal tally to three with the junior kayak and canoe classic races.

Saturday also saw a rare gold medal for Belgium with Kilian Meersmans' winning the men's junior kayak classic race. There was also gold for France, courtesy of Theo Veins in the men's U23 canoe classic.

Nico Paufler won the men's U23 kayak classic for Germany and there was also double gold for the Germans in the C2 events. Schwarz and Sulzer won the men's U23 classic and Barth and Feine took the honours in the women's U23 classic.

Matous Beier added to the Czech gold medal rush with a win in the men's junior canoe classic while the country also picked up a gold in the men's junior C2 classic race through Salaj and Smakal.

France picked up three gold medals and Italy and the Czech Republic two each on the final day in Bosnia & Herzegovina.

There was also a second gold medal from the championships for Belgium, who triumphed in the men's U23 kayak classic teams race to put a temporary halt to the gold rush for their three European rivals but the final day belonged to France, who found their way to the top of the podium in three of the team event finals that were contested.



They tasted glory in the men's junior canoe classic, the men's U23 canoe classic and the final event of the championships, the men's U23 C2 classic.

Italy won the opening event of the day, the



women's junior kayak classic, and followed up with a victory in the women's U23 kayak classic team race.

The final two gold medals for the Czech Republic for the week came in the men's junior kayak classic team and the women's U23 canoe classic team.

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Sp: K1WJ: 1 T Kneblova, Ceska, 59.72. 2 C Panato, Italia, 60.12. 3 C Husson, France, 60.68.

K1WU23: 1 M Satkova, Ceska, 58.78. 2 G Formenton, Italia, 59.27. 3 M Rosa, Italia, 59.67. 14 L Milne, GB, 63.94.

K1M: 1 V Ostrbenk, Slovenija, 53.92. 2 E Blais, France, 55.57. 3 M Hradec, Ceska, 55.90.

K1MU23: 1 A Urnkar, Slovenija, 53.30. 2 M Hugues, France, 54.09.

3 T Novak, Slovenija, 55.16.

C2WU23: 1 Panato/Razzauti, Italia, 65.70. 2 Durand/Gaubert, France, 65.71.

3 Andrees/Waitz, Deutschland, 66.32.

C2MU23: 1 Sauter/Ydoux, France, 58.55. 2 Obadic/Tolic, Hrvatska, 58.69.

3 Quintarelli/Bianchetti, Italia, 58.70.

K1WJT: 1 Deutschland, 64.86. 2 Ceska, 65.59. 3 Slovenija, 66.24. 5 GB, 87.69.

K1WU23T: 1 Deutschland, 62.47. 2 Ceska, 64.64. 3 Australia, 69.07.

K1MJT: 1 Italia, 58.91. 2 Schweiz, 60.21. 3 Slovenija, 60.58. 11 GB, 68.33.

K1MU23T: 1 Slovenija, 57.72. 2 Ceska, 59.06. 3 Deutschland, 59.68.

Cl: K1WJ: 1 C Panato, Italia, 18:30.16. 2 M Benedetti, Italia, 19:06.45.

3 T Kneblova, Ceska, 19:13.03.

K1WU23: 1 M Satkova, Ceska, 18:20.06. 2 M Rosa, Italia, 18:40.72. 3 B Bayerova, Ceska,

18:47.32. 18 L Milne, GB, 20:09.15. 19 J Ball, GB, 20:24.08. 20 E Durrant, GB, 20:59.03.

K1M: 1 K Meersmans, Belgie, 17:29.88. 2 V Matejcek, Ceska, 17:45.11.

3 C Monjanel, France, 17:49.16.

K1MU23: 1 N Paufler, Deutschland, 17:06.63. 2 L Montulet, Belgie, 17:12.35.

3 T Kroener, Deutschland, 17:15.75. 15 F Huntingford, GB, 18:11.92.

C2WU23: 1 Barth/Feine, Deutschland, 20:24.57. 2 Panato/Rosa, Italia, 20:33.90.

3 Durand/Gaubert, France, 20:47.72.

C2MU23: 1 Schwarz/Sulzer, Deutschland, 18:47.96. 2 Jelinek/Kristek, Ceska, 18:51.70.

3 Klatt/Viens, France, 19:01.98. 10 Perchard/Kirk, GB, 21:46.66.

K1WJT: 1 Italia, 19:31.81. 2 France, 19:51.12. 3 Deutschland, 19:57.00. 6 GB, 21:45.28.

K1WU23T: 1 Italia, 19:11.34. 2 Ceska, 19:15.51. 3 Belgie, 20:14.25. 4 GB, 20:47.48.

K1MJT: 1 Ceska, 18:14.49. 2 France, 18:23.11. 3 Deutschland, 18:52.04. 11 GB, 20:38.17.

K1MU23T: 1 Belgie, 17:38.44. 2 Deutschland, 17:41.38. 3 Italia, 18:00.44. 5 GB, 18:47.35.

