

## 2021 European Aquatics Championships, Budapest (HUN)

### Day 2

#### Artistic Swimming Solo technical

##### GOLD

###### Marta Fiedina (UKR) 91.8445

"I'm so happy with this gold medal, because this is my best result so far. I loved to perform here, but it was a little bit strange in the front of empty tribunes. I got more points in Gwangju, at the world champs, but now it was enough to win, and this is the most important!"

##### SILVER

###### Evangelia Platanoti (GRE) 89.2897

"I'm very happy, this medal was my dream since 2016, but never happened. Because in the last Europeans I didn't get it, so now it finally arrived and I'm really satisfied. Now, I feel more mature and ready for the future."

##### BRONZE

###### Vasilina Khandoshka BLR 87.7173

"I am really happy with the performance and the result. It is good to open a Championships in this way. It was my initiative to choose this music and the choreography is by Ilena Voronova. My next competition is solo free, duet free and duet tech. I never comment the score and prefer not to. It feels good to compete again. We had no quarantine and not much has changed for us – we train pretty much like we used to. My goal is to keep improving and getting better."

#### Diving

##### 10m mixed synchro

##### GOLD

###### Kseniia Bailo, Oleksii Sereda (UKR) 325.68

###### Kseniia Bailo:

"At this moment, after the competition, I feel a lot of sensations. But to sum up I am happy, this is my first senior European Championship and to start with the gold medal at the first competition is something great. I am really satisfied for the gold at the first attempt."

###### Oleksii Sereda:

"I am absolutely happy. We are a new pair, practiced together roughly a week only. The other boy got sick and we had to start training a week ago. We didn't expect the gold medal, we realised that we could get a medal, but not the gold one. So I'm so happy for that."

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## SILVER

**Noah Williams, Andrea Spendolini-Sirieix (GBR) 307.32**

**Noah Williams:**

“It is our first time to compete together. We only trained for one hour before the start. It was great to go in and shake of the nerves. It's my first competition since March last year so it was good to break the ice and get used to the pressure. I next compete on Thursday and it's my first Europeans competing individually. I don't have too many expectations, I just want to give my best.”

**Andrea Spendolini-Sirieix:**

“I am very excited. This is the first time ever for us as a team. It's a great start of the Championships and a chance to get used to the competition. This is my first European senior championships. I am grateful. It was amazing and it's been a lot of fun.”

## BRONZE

**Ekatarina Beliaeva, Viktor Minibaev (RUS) 302.58**

**Viktor Minibaev:**

“We are not happy. We had problems in the last two rounds and we made bad dives. It is my first competition after Covid19. Ekaterina competed in Tokyo. For me the 10m synchro is next.”

## Women's 1m springboard

## GOLD

**Elena Bertocchi (ITA) 259.90**

“To be honest, I am really satisfied with this medal, I didn't expect it at all. My last competition in Italy didn't go well so I came here a bit unconfident. Dive after dive I felt better and more confident and tried to bring back the feelings I had in Budapest 2017, where I won the bronze medal in the 1m at the Worlds. That turned out to be the path to victory.”

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## SILVER

**Michelle Heimberg (SUI) 255.55**

“This silver medal is amazing, after all this pandemic we couldn't train properly at home, so here I will try to show my best and have fun with the competition and with what I am doing. This is my first silver medal in the 1 metre and the second European medal for Switzerland ever, so I hope it helps to make diving more popular in my country.”

## BRONZE

**Chiara Pellacani (ITA) 254.15**

“I am really satisfied as this is my first individual medal. I felt good, had a lot of fun. I tried to give my maximum so I am really content. It is an award and

the result of the hard work I put in over the years. Tomorrow I compete in synchro mix with another partner. He is only 14 years old. I hope to have fun and give my best. “

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