



*We are  
the Games*



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*"We are  
the Games,"*

VOLUNTEERS  
Team 26  
PROGRAMME

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Dear Friends,

I am proud to be part of Team26 because playing on this team will be a once-in-a-lifetime experience that will bring us emotions, new friendships and unexpected encounters, but above all, it will allow us to be part of an extraordinary project: the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026.

Since I was a child, sport has always been a fundamental part of my life. Winter sports, in particular, hold a special place in my heart: I learned to ski when I was just a child, and ever since, snow and ice, the adrenaline of the slopes, and the allure of the mountains have been with me through every winter.

Being part of an event like the Winter Games is not only a unique opportunity to experience

the thrill of sports competition up close but also an extraordinary chance to create something unforgettable together.

The role of the Volunteers is crucial to the success of this event: we will be the beating heart of the Games, the smile that welcomes the athletes, the spectators, and all who come to experience this adventure.

Our passion, commitment, and dedication will make Milano Cortina 2026 a memorable experience for everyone. We will have the opportunity to meet people from all over the world, learn about new cultures, and share our love for sport. Every gesture we make, every word we say, will be an invaluable contribution that will remain imprinted in the memories of those who participate in this event.

Being part of Team26 means deciding to step up and experience an inclusive adventure that I am sure will leave indelible memories for us all: we will all make up the colours of a stunning picture that will tell the story of Italy, its magnificent landscapes, and its incredible beauty to the whole world.

Together, we will tell the story of the new Italian Spirit, vibrant and dynamic. And we will do so with the unique energy of those who choose to be part of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Together, we will make Milano Cortina 2026 shine!

It will be a journey that will enrich us not only as volunteers but, above all, as people.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart for your enthusiasm and passion. I am honoured to share this journey with you and can't wait to meet you on the slopes and experience the Milano Cortina 2026 adventure together.

We are the Games,

**Jannik**



# Olympic Winter Games

6–22 February 2026

Motorway

Railway

Cluster

State border

National road

High-speed railway

Olympic city

Mountain road

City

Official port of entry airport

Mountain pass

Other airport

Tunnel

IBC | MPC

OLYMPIC FAMILY HOTEL

OLYMPIC VILLAGE

CEREMONIES

ALPINE SKIING

BIATHLON

BOBSLEIGH

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

CURLING

FIGURE SKATING

FREESTYLE SKIING

ICE HOCKEY

LUGE

NORDIC COMBINED

SKELETON

SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING

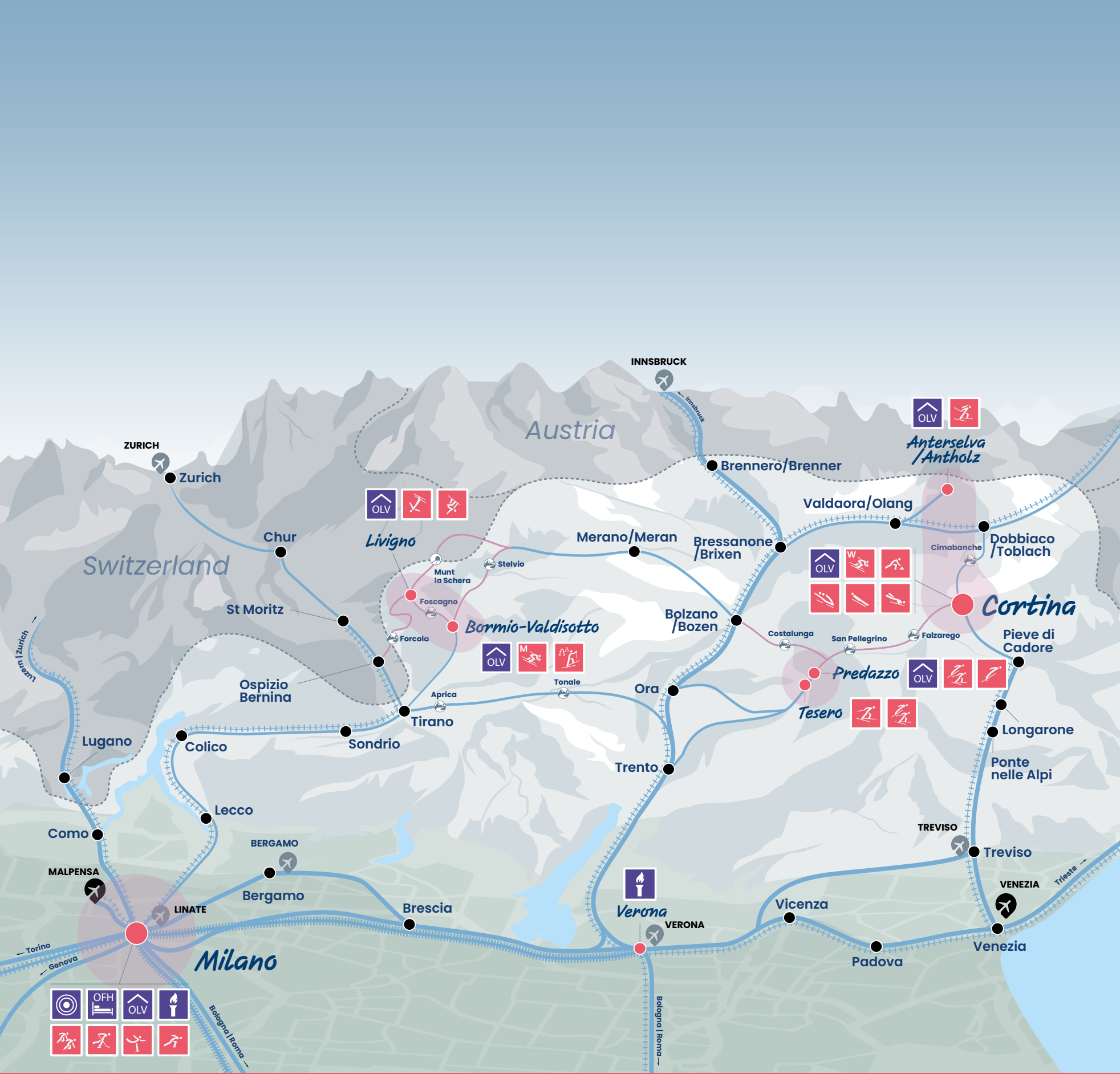
SKI JUMPING

SKI MOUNTAINEERING

SNOWBOARD

SPEED SKATING

\*IBC: International Broadcast Center  
\*MPC: Main Press Center



# Paralympic Winter Games

6–15 March 2026

- Motorway

Railway

Cluster
- National road

High-speed railway

Paralympic city
- Mountain road

City

State border

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- IBC

PARALYMPIC FAMILY HOTEL

PARALYMPIC VILLAGE

CEREMONIES
- PARA ALPINE SKIING

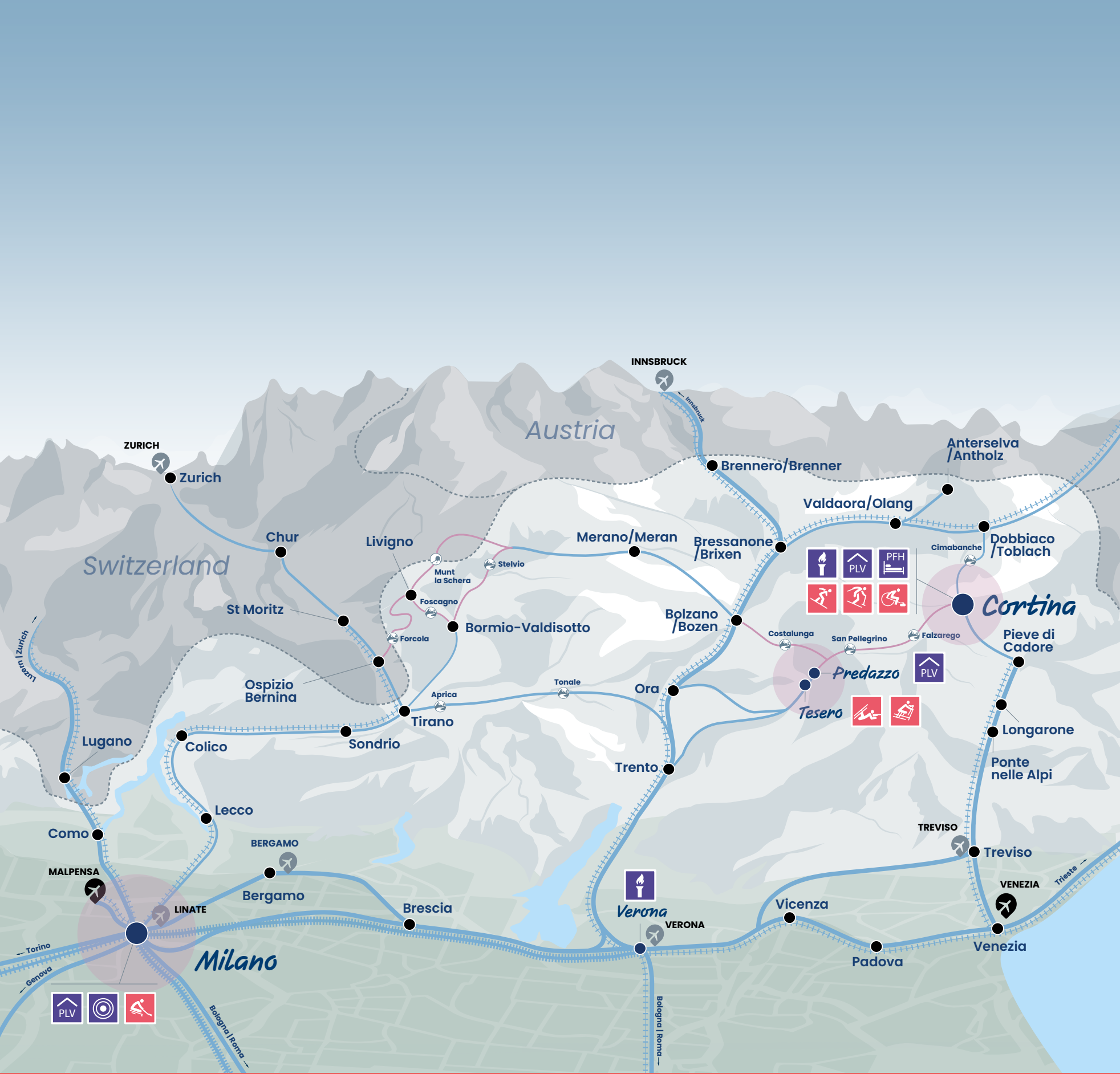
PARA BIATHLON

PARA CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

PARA ICE HOCKEY
- PARA SNOWBOARD

WHEELCHAIR CURLING

\*IBC: International Broadcast Center







*Experience the  
Unexpected*



# Team26

Come play with us! Team26 is the family that welcomes everyone who wants to be a part of the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026.

Are you ready to come together and be a part of an unforgettable experience?

Here are the requirements to join the team:

Be at least  
**18 YEARS OLD**  
by 1 November  
2025

Speak basic  
**ITALIAN**  
and/or  
**ENGLISH**

Attend  
**SELECTION  
AND TRAINING**  
events

Be available  
for a minimum  
period of  
**9**  
non-consecutive  
**DAYS DURING  
THE GAMES**

Get ready to Be  
Part of Something  
*Great*



Applications are  
officially open

*Scan the  
QR code*





# An Unmissable Opportunity

Team26 is much more than a volunteers programme: it's an exciting adventure. Let's write history together.

2024

**19 SEPTEMBER**  
**Hurry! Registration is open**

**WINTER**  
**The recruitment phase will begin**

**SPRING**  
**Your application will be accepted**

**SUMMER**  
**You will start your training journey**

**WINTER**  
**You will receive uniform and accreditation**

2026

**6-22 February 2026 – Winter Olympics**  
**6-15 March 2026 – Winter Paralympics**



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*It's a very big event, it never happened before in Latin America, and given my age, the probability is I won't see another Olympics in my country. I want a story to tell my grandchildren.*

ROSEMARY, RIO 2016\*

\*Source:  
International Olympic  
Committee



# Experience the Incredible Emotions of Sport

Becoming a member of Team26 means joining an incredible community: volunteers will be able to meet people from different cultures and backgrounds, acquire new skills, and simultaneously, enjoy all of the emotions that one of the most important sporting events in the world offers.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to create a special and memorable experience for the best athletes in winter sports, and also represent typical Italian hospitality: they will be the heart and smile of Milano Cortina 2026. And to make the experience even more magical, they will receive the official uniform of the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026, a true symbol of our Games, along with a welcome kit.

**To breathe and live the values of sport to the fullest,  
and to ignite what will become lasting change.**

**To welcome people from all over the world and tell the  
story of the new Italian Spirit, vibrant and dynamic.**

**To transform your passion into concrete action.**



# What is Team26 About?

Joining Team26 is a choice! It is the perfect mix of passion for sport and joy of being together. An opportunity to share unforgettable moments and the desire to make a difference.

Volunteers are united by the joy and smiles that light up the Games. They are those who decide to donate their time, playing a fundamental role at all the competition venues and official sites of the Games.

There are many tasks: from those relating to the assistance of athletes and delegations, to welcoming the public, the media and all members of the Olympic and Paralympic family.

*Volunteering in Pyeongchang made me feel like I was the most valuable and useful person in the world. The Games have made me dream bigger and I'm not afraid of any challenge. That's been the biggest change in my life.*

**CHULWON, PYEONGCHANG 2018\***

\*Source:  
International Olympic  
Committee



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## **You will be the beating heart of Milano Cortina 2026.**

To join Team26, there is no need to have specific skills, apart from basic knowledge of Italian or English. The majority of tasks are simple and suitable for people of all ages and abilities.

Some roles, however, may require particular skills or the knowledge of foreign languages.

On the application form, you can share your own preferences, experience, availability and the territory in which you would like to volunteer.





# A programme Made to Last



# *A Unique Programme!*

Milano Cortina 2026 celebrates the uniqueness of each individual through the Olympic and Paralympic values.

Team26 has embraced these qualities, with the goal of promoting all diversity: the programme is inclusive, it has no age, gender or culture. It's open to everyone, and it's for everyone.

We want you, with your life experiences, your passion and your vision of the world: it is precisely this variety that will bring added value to a programme that will enrich all those who take part.

Paralympic  
Values

*Determination,  
equality, inspiration  
and courage*

Olympic  
Values

*Excellence,  
friendship  
and respect*



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*26 is Team 26 is Team 26 is Team 26*  
ENERGETIC ENERGETIC ENERGETIC  
ENTHUSIASTIC ENTHUSIASTIC ENTHUSIASTIC  
DIVERSE DIVERSE DIVERSE DIVERSE  
OPEN OPEN OPEN OPEN  
PASSIONATE PASSIONATE PASSIONATE

# Pioneering Change

## o Look at the Future with a New Spirit

Thanks to Team26, Milano Cortina 2026 celebrates the uniqueness of each territory that will host the Winter Games, working in close contact with local communities, with the ambition and the desire to support the growth of the volunteer movement, one of the great traditions of our country.

A shared legacy that aims to promote positive change and leave a lasting mark over time and equip the volunteer movement with a set of skills that will be the bedrock on which to build the events of the future.

The Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games Milano Cortina 2026 have the goal of fostering a transformation – social and cultural – and laying the foundations of sustainable change, thanks also to the involvement of new generations, inspiring people through sport.

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## *A New Form of Volunteering*

**Sport speaks a universal language that is able to connect and inspire people.**

For this reason, great sporting events, like the Olympic and Paralympic Games, have the duty to stir consciences, bring people closer to the world of volunteering and inspire a new awareness of ourselves and the environment in which we live.

At the same time, it presents the opportunity to build a new movement that is open and inclusive, and which contributes to the conversation between generations and between different people.



# A Unique Path for You

From the application phase to the completion of this incredible adventure, you will follow a tailor-made path.

The selection team will take into consideration your aspirations, your availability and aptitudes, with the aim of finding the right balance with the organisational needs of Milano Cortina 2026.

We all want to win together, ensuring the success of the Winter Games and a fulfilling experience for you.

The ultimate goal is to give you the opportunity to undertake a learning journey that can bring value to your personal and professional life through training, experience in the field and new connections.

## Testing Yourself is the Greatest Challenge!

*As a long-serving volunteer myself  
I know that being a volunteer is  
a life-enriching and fulfilling experience,  
and a wonderful human adventure*

**JACQUES ROGGE, FORMER IOC PRESIDENT  
AND LONG-TIME VOLUNTEER\***

\*Source:  
International Olympic  
Committee







# *The Volunteer Journey*



# How to Apply

1

Scan the **QR CODE** and open the website!



**Fill out** the form and send your **application\***

2

*The charter defines the framework for the volunteers' involvement during Milano Cortina 2026. It also provides an overview of the volunteer journey, from completing the application to the arrival of the Games.*

3

**Read and sign** the **TEAM26 CHARTER**, which can be found on the website

*Filling in the form will take 20–30 minutes and requires applicants to answer questions about their identity, reasons for applying, areas of expertise, and preferred availability and locations for their role.*

4

Those who make it **beyond the first selection phase** will then be **contacted**.

\* <http://team26.milanocortina2026.org>





# Together Towards the 2026 Games

You can already join Team26 in 2025 and experience unforgettable emotions at the Test Events and other preparation activities for the Games.

2025

Test Event

Pre-Games

6-22 FEBRUARY  
Olympic Winter Games

2026

23 FEBRUARY-5 MARCH  
Transition Time

6-15 MARCH  
Paralympic Winter Games



# *Your Role is Key*

You will be the faces of the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games. Those who, with their smiles and their joy, will make the Milano Cortina 2026 experience unforgettable.

Tasks that volunteers will be assigned to will be greatly varied and thanks to the teamwork involved, we will make the difference together!

Hospitality, event organisation, sporting competitions and language support will be the areas that you will be most involved in.



## *Hospitality*

You will be the first people that the athletes, the media, the delegations and the fans will meet upon their arrival. Your warmth will embrace them as they open the doors to Milano Cortina 2026.





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## *Sport Competition Support*

You will have the opportunity to help athletes in the competition venues and in the training centres, so that they can compete in the best possible conditions.

## *Event Operations*

You will contribute to various organisational tasks, facilitate their processes and experience the excitement behind the scenes, the nerve centre of any major event.

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## *Languages*

Thanks to your language skills, you will be involved in supporting visitors and guests from all over the world.



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# A Medal-Worthy Training Journey

As every great athlete teaches, you need to prepare yourself to be in the best condition on the day of a competition. And the Milano Cortina 2026 volunteers will have to do the same.

For this reason, Team26 will provide the necessary tools to participate in the programme, even to those who have never had similar experiences before.



The training dedicated to Team26 covers three main areas:

1

**ORIENTATION**  
for the Olympic  
and Paralympic  
Winter Games

2

Specific training  
on the  
**TASKS**  
to be carried out

3

Specific training  
for the assigned  
**VENUE**

The course aims to, in addition, increase awareness of the importance of diversity and inclusion through dedicated training.

This important objective is also part of the general commitment of Milano Cortina 2026 to promote and implement sustainable and inclusive practices.



# Why you can't miss this opportunity!

Being part of Team26 means participating in the Games! An occasion that rarely comes round. A unique and exciting opportunity to become an integral part of an event that will leave an indelible mark on all of us.

To experience all of the emotions behind the scenes, to come into contact with people of every culture and nationality, in a vibrant and dynamic context.

Now, really, when will you get another chance? So, go on, join us and become a part of the Team26 programme!

**Your date with history is but a click away:  
we are the Games!**

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*You become a small part of this event,  
and that's hugely rewarding. The more  
you put into it, the more you get out of it!*

**PAUL, LONDON 2012\***

\*Source:  
Olympics.com





# Team26 supporting partners



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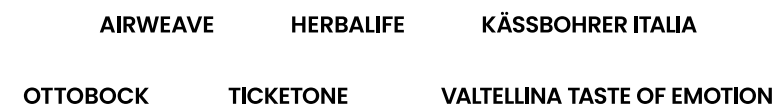
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