Three years after upgrading to the category 2.1 of the Union Cycliste International calendar, the Tour du Rwanda continues to rise.

Following the award of 2025 World Championships to Rwanda, the first time in Africa, is another sign of trust and confidence on the part of the UCI and the world of sport.

Despite the difficult conditions due to the coronavirus pandemic, the 14th edition of the Rwanda race is scheduled to take place as planned on the dates announced: February 20 to 27, 2022.

Cristian Rodriguez, who rides for Total Direct Energie, became the first Spanish and European rider to win the Tour du Rwanda. He won the final stage eight after clocking 2 hours, 5 minutes and 6 seconds in the 75km distance race.

Israel Startup Nation rider Piccoli James came in second place while Alex Hoehn finished third.For the third consecutive edition of the annual UCI Africa Tour race, Rwandan riders failed to win a single stage.

19 teams have been selected from the major cycling nations of the African continent but also from worldwide experienced teams competing in major cycling events on the international calendar like the prestigious Tour de France, the Giro d'Italia and the Vuelta a Espana: among them the UCI World Tour Israel Start-Up Nations, Total-Direct Energie and B&B Hotels of France, Drone Hopper-Androni Giocatolli of Italy and Burgos-BH of Spain

Rwanda will be represented by its National Team and its UCI Continental Benediction Cycling team.

Once again the route promises to be spectacular with stiff climbs on almost all stages. The famous Wall of Kigali and the Mount Kigali will be part of this exceptional program to make the Tour du Rwanda the most difficult race of the beginning of the 2022 season.

19 Selected Team; World Tour : Israel Start-Up Nation (Israel),Continental Pro UCI: Total-Direct Energie (France), B&B Hotels (France),Team Novo Nordisk (USA), Androni-Giocatolli (Italy), Burgos-BH (Spain)

Continental UCI : Benediction Cycling Team (Rwanda), Pro Touch Team (South Africa), Bike Aid (Germany),TSG Terengganu (Malaysia), Team Coop (Norway),

Wildlife Generation Pro (USA), Team SKS Sauerland NRW (Germany), Tarteletto-Isorex (Belgium)

National Team : Rwanda, Algeria, Eritrea, Morocco, Great Britain

Routs:

Stage 1 : Kigali Arena-Kigali Arena (4 km ITT)

Stage 2 : Kigali-Rwamagana (148,3 km)

Stage 3 : Kigali-Rubavu (152 km)

Stage 4 : Kigali-Gicumbi (124,3 km)

Stage 5 : Muhanga-Musanze (124,7 km)

Stage 6 : Musanze-Kigali Convention Center (152 km)

Stage 7 : Kigali-Mont Kigali (152,6 km)

Stage 8 : Kigali Canal Olympia-Kigali Canal Olympia (75,3 km)