

MARIA TORRIJO (ESP)



Maria began sailing in dinghies and competed in the Optimist, Europe, 420 and 470 classes. She currently sails a Flying Dutchman and a variety of keel boats.

Maria graduated university in Chemistry but now travels the world as an ISAF Race Official. She became an International Umpire in 2005 and is also an International Judge (2004) and International Race Officer (2006).

Maria has umpired at numerous match racing events throughout Europe and around the world. Recent Grade 1 events include the Open de España and the Women's Match Race Criterium in Spain and the Busan Cup in Korea. She also umpired at the 2007 ISAF Team Racing World Championships in Spain and has been appointed for the next event to be held in Perth in 2009 immediately following the Warren Jones Youth Championships. During the 32nd America's Cup, she was the deputy Rules Advisor for Desafío Español 2007 that qualified through to the semi-finals of the Louis Vuitton Cup.

In her role as an International Race Officer, she was the Principal Race Officer for the 2008 TP52 class MedCup Circuit. She has also officiated in the 2008 Olympics in Qingdao, China for the Finn, Yngling and Tornado classes and for the 2008 Volvo Ocean Race In-Port, Pro-Am and Race Start in Alicante, Spain.