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Francesca Vitali is currently Assistant Professor (Senior Researcher, RTD-B) at the University of Verona, Italy. She is the Supervisor of the PhD student Alessia Pecchini. She is the Scientific Director of the Academic Coach project, a peer-tutorship project offered at the students-athletes to support their dual careers at the University of Verona. She is currently the Editor for the *Psicologia dello Sport e dell'Esercizio* (En. tr. Sport and Exercise Psychology), the new official journal of the *Associazione Italiana Psicologia dello Sport e dell'esercizio* (AIPS, Italian Association of Sport and Exercise Psychology). From 2014 to 2016 she has been the National President of the AIPS. From 2024, she is the Vice-president of the AIPS. As Sport Psychologist she has been working with youth top-level athletes of different sports (i.e., Shooting Italian Olympic Youth National Team; Trentino' Junior Cross Country Skiing Team; Track and Field Youth Italian National Team; Italian Women's Rugby National Team). She collaborates as Expert with the School of Sport of Sport e Salute, funded by Ministry of Sport and Youth Politics. Since 2019 she has a “Consultancy with training assignment” collaboration with the Italian Rugby Federation. Since 2017 she is the scientific responsible of the Center of studies of the *Assist - the Italian Association of Female Athletes*.