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## **Sarah Sjöström, Queen of sprint events**

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*She is leading the world ranking in 4 events, the Olympic champion of Rio in 100 m butterfly started to work on her freestyle technique this year and apparently it has impacted her results in a positive way. At the end of April, she visited Hungary at the invitation of one of the partners of FINA (International Swimming Federation) and looked around in the Danube Arena where, according to her hopes, she will extend her gold medal collection.*

On 7<sup>th</sup> August 2016 in Rio an Olympic gold medal was won by a Swedish female swimmer for the very first time. Madame Swedish Swimmer, multiple world and European champion Therese Alshammar could reach only silver during her illustrious career. Then last year a young lady appeared, certainly not from nowhere, since she had claimed World and European Championships titles, and 10 days before her 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday could step onto the top of the podium by beating the world record in 100 m butterfly.

However, Alshammar, who participated at her sixth Olympics in Rio and was flag bearer for Sweden at the opening ceremony, has always played an important role in Sjöström's career.

Sjöström's preparation has been going well, she swam such excellent times in the Swedish Open in Stockholm that there is a good chance of new world records to be achieved in Budapest. Certainly, she won all of her four events (50 and 100 butterfly, 50 and 100 freestyle) and in 50 m freestyle she achieved the second best ever time. Currently she holds the world records of the two butterfly events, but she plans to collect the records of the two freestyle events as well. It is not surprising that she was glad to look around and discover the Danube Arena, the venue where the swimming competition of the World Championships will take place.

Are you interested in watching Sarah Sjöström and her potential world records? Visit the Danube Arena on 24<sup>th</sup> (100 m butterfly), 28<sup>th</sup> (100 m freestyle), 29 (50 m butterfly) and 30<sup>th</sup> July (50 m freestyle).