

Polizia di Stato

Vincenzo Picardi [en]

Place of birth: Casoria (Naples) **Date of birth:** 20 October 1983 **Height:** 164 cm **Weight:** 51 kg
Sport: Boxing **Weight class:** Flyweight (51 kg) **Occupation:** Police Officer (rank: Assistente)
Original club: S.S.Nino Ferrara **Present club:** Fiamme Oro

Vincenzo Picardi was born on October 20, 1983, in Casoria, near Naples. He began to learn the secrets of boxing from his idol, his father Antonio, who was an Italian pro champion in the Eighties, and from his first coach at the "Nino Ferrara" gym in Casoria. Vincenzo joined the police sports group Fiamme Oro in 2005, under the technical tutelage of Giulio Coletta and Michele Caldarella.

Vincenzo is a flyweight with a big heart who has inherited his father's taste for fighting at close range and his crucial blow. He earned a ticket to Beijing 2008 by winning a bronze medal at the 2007 Chicago World Championships and conquered an Olympic bronze medal. He has two special supporters, his wife Maria and his daughter Martina, and he loves spending all his free time with them after his training sessions.

His career highlights include the bronze medal won at the Olympics, the World Championships, the World Cup, and the European Championships.

He has defended the colours of Italy also at the London 2012 Olympic, losing by one point the match to advance to the quarter-finals.

Results

Olympic Games 2008 - Beijing (China) - Bronze

World Championships 2007 - Chicago (USA) - Bronze

European Championships 2011 - Ankara (Turkey) - Bronze 2010 - Moscow (Russia) - Bronze

World Cup 2010 - Baku (Azerbaijan) - Bronze

Italian Championships 2007 - Gold 2006 - Gold 2005 - Bronze 2004 - Gold 2003 - Gold 2000 - Junior - Gold

European Union Championships 2008 - Cetniewo (Poland) - Bronze 2007 - Dublin (Ireland) - Bronze

International Tournaments 2007 - Zagreb (Croatia) - Gold 2007 - Helsinki (Finland) - Gold 2007 - Pola (Croatia) 2007 - Bronze 2007 - Guyang (China) - Bronze 2006 - Lanzarote (Spain) - Silver 2006 - Porto Torres (Italy) - Gold

Honours 2008 - Knight (*Cavaliere*) of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic

