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## Evi Rauter, solved the "cold case" of the South Tyrolean who disappeared in 1990

A woman recognized the girl thanks to an Austrian broadcast that brought to light the still unresolved story of a young woman found hanged in Spain in the 1990s. For the police it was not a suicide: the case could be reopened in Italy



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The "cold case" of **Evi Rauter**, the South Tyrolean girl who disappeared on September 3, 1990 from her sister's student residence in Florence, has been solved after 32 years.

The day after she lost her track, a girl was found hanged in a pine forest on the border with France in Spain, but no one hypothesized a connection with the Rauter case and the body remained nameless. Now, thanks to an Austrian broadcast on unsolved cases, a fellow citizen, who at the time was living in Austria, recognized the photo of the young woman found lifeless in Spain.

### **Family members identified the clothes**

- In recent days, the parents and the sister identified the clothes, shoes and watch that the young woman found dead in Spain was wearing. At the time, however, the body's DNA was not taken.

### **For the investigators it wasn't suicide**

- The police and the pathologist, however, are not convinced that it was actually suicide. The dead young woman was in fact turned with her face towards the tree at 40 centimeters from the ground. In addition, the knot was "professional". On his bare feet, during the autopsy, no traces of earth were found from the area under the tree. However, the case will remain unsolved because in Spain the murder is barred after 30 years. According to the *Dolomiten* newspaper , it is not excluded that the case will be reopened in Italy.