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FIS MEDIA INFO

First FIS Congress to take place in Cancun (MEX)

Approximately 900 delegates representing 82 Member National Ski Associations of the International Ski Federation (FIS) are scheduled to participate in the 50th International Ski Congress in Cancun (MEX) from 6th-10th June 2016.

As part of the Congress Week, the FIS Council as well as the FIS Technical Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups will meet from Monday 6th to Wednesday 8th June whilst the FIS Congress (General Assembly) itself takes place on Friday 10th June.

The Organisers of the FIS Ski Flying World Championships 2020 and the FIS Alpine, Nordic, Freestyle Ski and Snowboard World Championships 2021 will be elected by the FIS Council on Thursday 9th June. The Candidates (see p.2) will present their concepts to all Congress participants from display stands and will have a final opportunity to present to the Council on Tuesday 7th June. The announcement of the elected Organisers will take place at the Grand Fiesta Americana Hotel on 9th June at approximately 19:00 local time (01:00 CET). A live stream from the announcement will be available on the FIS website.

Representing the highest decision-making authority within FIS, the FIS Congress will take place on Friday, 10th June. It will review the business reports of the Council, the accounts and reports of the auditors, approve the budget, elect the 16 FIS Council Members for a two-year period as well as decide on the proposals submitted by the Member Associations and the Council. 18 candidates are running for election to the FIS Council (see p.2 for complete list). In addition the Council is proposing to the Congress that the position of the Athletes Commission representative who is elected by the athletes themselves, becomes an ordinary Council Member position, instead of an observer as is presently the case since 2014. For detailed Congress documentation, [click here](#).

The items on the agenda of the FIS Council in the days prior to the Congress include the final approval of the FIS World Cup calendars for the 2016/17 season as well as reviewing proposals submitted by the Technical Committees following their meetings. Additionally items that will be addressed by the Council include developments with technology and marketing activities, the WADA investigation in regard to the alleged breaches at the doping laboratory at Sochi 2014 and updating the FIS Rules on the Prevention of Manipulation of Competitions. A key focus of the Council will be on the Congress Agenda and reviewing its opinion on the various proposals to submit to the delegates.

The [49th International Ski Congress](#) took place in Barcelona (ESP). The 51st International Ski Congress will be held in Greece in May 2018.

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Candidates as Organisers of the 2020/2021 FIS World Championships

Candidate for the FIS Ski Flying World Ski Championships 2020
Planica (SLO)

Candidates for the FIS Alpine World Ski Championships 2021
Cortina d'Ampezzo (ITA)

Candidates for the FIS Nordic World Ski Championships 2021 (in alphabetical order)
Oberstdorf (GER)
Planica (SLO)
Trondheim (NOR)

Candidate for the FIS Freestyle Ski & Snowboard World Championships 2021
Zhangjiakou/Genting Resort (CHN)

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Candidates for the FIS Council

ÅRJES Mats, SWE	Swedish Ski Association	re-election
ARNHOLD Stefano, BRA	Brazilian Snow Sports Federation	new election
BOKAREV Andrey, RUS	Russian Ski Association	re-election
GOSPER Dean, AUS	Ski & Snowboard Australia	re-election
HOERMANN Alfons, GER	German Ski Association	re-election
KOCIJANCIC Janez, SLO	Ski Association of Slovenia	re-election
KUMPOST Roman, CZE	Czech Ski Association	re-election
MINEV Tzeko, BUL	Bulgarian Ski Federation	new election
MURASATO Aki, JPN	Ski Association of Japan	re-election
PAINE Dexter, USA	U.S. Ski & Snowboard Association	re-election
RODA Flavio, ITA	Italian Winter Sports Federation	re-election
ROLDAN Eduardo, SPA	Royal Spanish Winter Sports Fed.	re-election
SCHROECKSNADEL Peter, AUT	Austrian Ski Association	re-election
SEEBERG Sverre, NOR	Norwegian Ski Association	re-election
SHIN Dong-Bin, KOR	Korea Ski Association	new election
SMITH Patrick, CAN	Canadian Snowsports Association	re-election
UUSITALO Martti, FIN	Finnish Ski Association	re-election
VION Michel, FRA	French Ski Association	re-election

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About FIS

FIS is the governing body for international skiing and snowboarding, [founded in 1924](#) during the first Olympic Games in Chamonix, France. Recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), FIS manages the Olympic disciplines of [Alpine Skiing](#), [Cross-Country Skiing](#), [Ski Jumping](#), [Nordic Combined](#), [Freestyle Skiing](#) and [Snowboarding](#), including setting the international competition rules. Through its 126 member nations, more than '500 FIS ski and snowboard competitions are staged annually. Specific initiatives are undertaken by FIS to promote snow activities as a healthy leisure recreation, [notably for the young](#). For more information, please visit www.fis-ski.com.