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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**FIS MEDIA INFO****FIS TOUR DE SKI 2006-2007 confirmed**

Oberhofen, 24th March, 2006/ -- Following a meeting by the FIS Finance Commission, the FIS TOUR DE SKI 2006-2007 has now been confirmed to take place as part of the Viessmann FIS World Cup Cross-Country from 29th December, 2006, to 7th January, 2007, two months before the FIS Nordic World Ski Championships in Sapporo, Japan.

Set to become an annual highlight within the Viessmann FIS World Cup Cross-Country, the FIS TOUR DE SKI will include eight international top sport events in ten days and be the first-ever FIS Cross-Country event that takes place at five venues in three countries.

The Tour will begin with two Stages in Nove Mesto (CZE), move to Munich (GER) for a city sprint on New Year's Eve before stopping in Oberstdorf (GER) for another two Stages. The last three Stages of the first FIS Tour de Ski will take place in Italy. First a sprint in Asiago followed by a mass start race in Val di Fiemme and as a culmination, a four-kilometer long Final Climb on the Alpe Cermis on top of which the Tour winners will be crowned on January 7th, 2007.

Please see [here](#) for key details of the event.

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About FIS

Founded in 1924 during the first Olympic Games in Chamonix, France, the International Ski Federation (FIS) aims to promote the sport of skiing and snowboarding and directs the development of all ski and snowboarding activities world-wide. FIS administers the Olympic disciplines of Alpine Skiing, Cross-Country Skiing, Ski Jumping, Nordic Combined, Freestyle Skiing and Snowboarding, including setting the international competition rules. With the help of its 112 member nations (one currently suspended), it stages more than 6'000 ski and snowboard competitions annually. FIS also makes recommendations for recreational skiing and snowboarding in the interest of all and promotes play in the snow as a healthy leisure activity for children and the youth. For more information, please visit www.fis-ski.com.