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### **FIS MEDIA INFO**

Main decisions from FIS Council Meeting in Munich (GER) 21st-22nd May

During the weekend 21-22 May, the FIS Council assembled in Munich (GER) under the leadership of FIS president Gian-Franco Kasper for its annual spring meeting. These represent the main decisions from the two-day session.

#### **Events:**

### Candidates for the 2011 FIS World Championships

The following candidatures have been accepted:

### 2011 Alpine World Ski Championships

Schladming (AUT)
Garmisch-Partenkirchen (GER)

### 2011 Nordic World Ski Championships

Val di Fiemme (ITA) Oslo (NOR) Zakopane (POL)

The final decision will be taken by the FIS Council at the FIS Congress in Vilamoura/Algarve (POR) between 21<sup>st</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> May 2006.

## Appointment of Organisers of future FIS Junior World Championships

The Council appointed the following organisers for future Championships:

- Gangwon (KOR) for the 2006 FIS Snowboard Junior World
- Championships
- Tarvisio (ITA) for the 2007 FIS Nordic Junior World Ski
- Championships
- Khanty-Mansiysk (RUS) for the 2008 FIS Snowboard Junior World
- Championships

### FIS World Cup Calendar 2005/2006

In addition all FIS World Cup calendars for Alpine skiing, Nordic combined, Cross Country skiing, Ski Jumping, Snowboard and Free-style skiing were approved by the FIS Council following amendments proposed by the respective Technical Committees.

### **Cross Country**:

### **Sprint Start**

Use of a mechanical start help to minimise false starts in the Sprint competitions.

### **International Competition Rules**

For FIS Junior World Championship competitions the formats, distances and techniques of the relay will be: 4x3.3 km C/F for women and 4x5 km C/F for men

A second false start for the same competitor in the same heat means that the competitor has to stop the competition. The competitor will be ranked at the last of these finals, semi-finals or quarterfinals (rank 4, 8 or 16). The Council acknowledged that due to the change in the calculation factor for FIS points in June 2004, the value of 100 FIS FIS points which is the qualification level for the Olympic Winter Games, now equates to 120 FIS points.

### Ski Jumping:

#### Starting quota in the official training

The National Ski Association of the organizing country has the right to enter an additional National Group (group I) of the same number as the nations quota but at least six for the official training and the qualification round

### **Introduction of a FIS-Cup**

General Conditions:

- Each NSA is allowed to apply for a FIS-Cup event;
- Each NSA which is nominated as Ski-Jumping World Cup
- organizer is obliged to carry out at least one FIS-Cup per season;
- Several FIS-Cup events can be carried out on the same date in different places;

### Alpine:

#### Starting Order World Cup Downhill

The Council confirmed the validity of the current rule: If more than one training run is held, the thirty (30) fastest competitors will start in the reversed order of their times achieved in the last training (30<sup>th</sup> place starts 1<sup>st</sup>, the 29<sup>th</sup> starts 2<sup>nd</sup>..., the 1<sup>st</sup> starts 30<sup>th</sup>)

#### **Nations Team Event**

The FIS Council approves on having a Nations Team Event in the World Cup Calendar during the next season.

### **World Cup Combined Title**

A World Cup title will be introduced for the Combined (incl. Combined and Super Combined) as from the season 2006/07. A minimum number of three events must be scheduled in order to award a World Cup Title.

# **Qualification Race for the FIS Alpine World Ski Championships**

At the deadline for the team registrations for the FIS Alpine World Ski Championships 2007 in Åre and depending on the number of nations' entries, the Alpine Committee will decide if a qualification race for Slalom and Giant Slalom will take place. The best 50 competitors present will qualify directly to the finals and all others will compete in a qualification race for the remaining 25 places.

### Freestyle:

The Council approved to adopt the recommendations of the FIS Medical Committee concerning head injuries/concussions

The Council decided that the organization of Ski Cross such as the compilation of rules, etc.. should be under the responsibility of the Alpine Committee since it is an event with alpine characteristics. The event itself will continue to be organized as a part of the FIS Freestyle calendar, including the Freestyle World Ski Championships.

### **Snowboard:**

The Council approved to require the use of helmets for alpine disciplines on recommendation of the FIS Medical Committee.

The Council decided to include the Masters Competitions for Snowboarding and adopt the appropriate FIS rules.

The Council approved a collaboration between the International Ski Federation and Right to Play. Right To Play is committed to improving the lives of these children and to strengthening their communities by translating the best values of sport into opportunities to promote development, health and peace.

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