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IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP MOSCOW 2018 THE HOME OF SPEED CLIMBING

After celebrating 70 years of Sport Climbing events last year, Moscow welcomes the best Bouldering and Speed athletes next weekend to Russia, where the earliest Speed climbing competitions were organised.

The first climbing competitions were organised in the former USSR in the late 1940s. These events focused on Speed climbing and were mostly dedicated to Soviet climbers until the 1980s. The first Climbing World Cup in Moscow took place in 1994, with the most recent edition occurring in 2010. Russian athletes have continued to excel on the world stage, in Bouldering and especially Speed. Since the inception of the IFSC in 2007, Russia has topped the national team ranking every year. Iuliia Kaplina currently holds the women's world record (7.32 seconds), and Vladislav Deulin secured the season title in the final races last year. Anna Tsyganova is the reigning world champion and the women's Combined winner of the 70th Anniversary event, and Speed legends Stanislav Kokorin and Mariia Krasavina have both won multiple season titles.

Star Speed athletes from around the world will challenge the Russian team in Moscow on Sunday. Reza Alipourshenazandifar (IRI) set the men's world record last season (5.48 seconds), and Anouck Jaubert (FRA) returns after winning the season title last year. Also keep an eye on Indonesia's Aspar Jaelolo and Aries Susanti Rahayu, who climbed fast at the final IFSC Speed World Cups of 2017 in Wujiang and Xiamen.

Bouldering Rematch

Moscow also hosts the second stage of the Bouldering season on Saturday and Sunday. The Japanese team, first in the national team Bouldering ranking last year, continued to perform well in Meiringen. Miho Nonaka won gold in the 2018 debut, and her teammates Tomoa Narasaki and Akiyo Noguchi joined her on the podium.

Slovenia also excelled in the Bouldering opener, with Jernej Kruder winning his first IFSC World Cup and Combined season champion Janja Garnbret beginning the season with a silver medal. In the spotlight in Moscow will be Aleksei Rubtsov. The men's Combined winner of the 70th Anniversary event finished 3rd in the Bouldering season the past two years and already won a bronze medal in Meiringen. For the full list of starting athletes and photos of the 70th Anniversary event last year, visit the official [event page](#) on the IFSC website.

YOG Watch:

12 qualified athletes for the Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 will compete at IFSC World Cup Moscow, including youth Speed world champion (Youth A) Aleksandra Kalucka (POL) and youth Bouldering world champion (Youth A) Filip Schenk (ITA). Three athletes from China will join them, Asian youth Combined champion YuFei Pan among them. From Russia, Luiza Emeleva and Elena Krasovskaia will climb in both disciplines in front of their home crowd. Also keep an eye on Mao Nakamura (JPN), who climbed in Meiringen semi-finals last weekend. Sandra Lettner (AUT), 4th in Meiringen, is not on the start list.

Live Streaming

Tune-in to the IFSC homepage on April 22nd to watch the live streaming of the semi-final and final rounds:

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You can join the chat on Twitter during the live show at [#IFSCwc](#).

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IFSC WORLD CUP (B,S) MOSCOW (RUS)

Provisional Programme (GMT+3)

Saturday, April 21

09:30-13:30 Bouldering Qualification - Men

15:00-18:00 Bouldering Qualification - Women

Sunday, April 22

09:30-11:40 Bouldering Semi-Finals (LIVE)

13:00-14:00 Speed Qualifications

14:30-15:30 Speed Finals (LIVE)

17:45-21:00 Bouldering Finals (LIVE)

after Award Ceremony

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CURRENT WORLD SPEED RANKINGS

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MEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	DUELIN	Vladislav	RUS	355.40
2	ALIPOURSHENA.	Reza	IRI	243.18
3	SHIKOV	Aleksandr	RUS	240.17
4	FOSSALI	Ludovico	ITA	235.27
5	KOKORIN	Stanislav	RUS	223.91
6	GONTERO	Leonardo	ITA	202.81
7	ZHONG	QiXin	CHN	142.48
8	BOLDYREV	Danyil	UKR	119.49
9	JAELOLO	Aspar	INA	118.40
10	MORO	Guillaume	FRA	116.54

WOMEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	JAUBERT	Anouck	FRA	405.57
2	KAPLINA	Iuliia	RUS	344.38
3	KRASAVINA	Mariia	RUS	273.50
4	TSYGANOVA	Anna	RUS	224.95
5	SARISSON	Aurelia	FRA	200.49
6	BROZEK	Anna	POL	198.79
7	MARENYCH	Alla	UKR	198.47
8	ROPEK	Edyta	POL	145.43
9	BUCZEK	Klaudia	POL	125.72
10	ANDRIER	Victoire	FRA	124.56

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CURRENT BOULDERING SEASON RANKINGS

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MEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	KRUDER	Jernej	SLO	100
2	NARASAKI	Tomoa	JPN	80
3	RUBTSOV	Aleksei	RUS	65
4	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	55
5	TAKATA	Tomoaki	JPN	51
6	CHON	Jongwon	KOR	47
7	CORNU	Manuel	FRA	43
8	SUGIMOTO	Rei	JPN	40
9	FUJIWAKI	Yuji	JPN	37
10	OGATA	Yoshiyuki	JPN	34

WOMEN

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	NONAKA	Miho	JPN	100
2	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	80
3	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	65
4	LETTNER	Sandra	AUT	55
5	GIBERT	Fanny	FRA	51
6	COXSEY	Shauna	GBR	47
7	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	43
8	KADIC	Katja	SLO	40
9	CRANE	Leah	GBR	37
10	CAULIER	Chloe	BEL	34

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