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IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP IMST 2015: MINA MARKOVIC & ROMAIN DESGRANGES ON TOP OF THE PODIUM IN IMST (AUT)

The IFSC Lead World Cup Series 2015 stopped in Imst, Austria on July 31 - August 1. Once again, the spectacular sheltered outdoor climbing structure saw some amazing action, and the competition was crowned by the victories of Mina Markovic (SLO) and Romain Desgranges (FRA).

It was the 12th time that an IFSC Climbing World Cup took place in Imst, and the venue lived up to its promise of long and tricky routes that pushed the athletes to their limits.

No tops on tough final routes

The route setters gave our athletes a true challenge this Saturday: long, difficult routes with little rest and many awkward passages. None of the competitors were able to top the tough final routes, making the competition all the more suspenseful!

The women's final was crowned by another long and impressive run from Slovenian legend Mina Markovic. Even if Mina ran out of time, she managed to climb higher than all the other athletes. From Slovenia too, 16-year-old Janja Garnbret took silver for her second participation ever in an adult IFSC World Cup. Supported by her home crowd, Jessica Pilz (AUT) took bronze for her third podium spot in as many IFSC World Cups this season.

On the men's side, the final route was very difficult as well, but Romain Desgranges (FRA) found the way and the strength to win his first gold medal in an IFSC World Cup with a strong score of 57+. Very close to him, local favourite Jakob Schubert (AUT) took silver with 57, and Domen Skofic of Slovenia claimed bronze with 51+.

New 2015 Provisional Rankings

This new podium slightly changed the men's 2015 Provisional Ranking. After 3 over 7 IFSC Lead World Cups this season, Gautier Supper (FRA) keeps the lead and Romain Desgranges jumps to 2nd place, ahead of Jakob Schubert and Adam Ondra (CZE).

In the women's 2015 Provisional Ranking, Mina Markovic comforted her 1st place and Jessica Pilz her 2nd place in Imst. Even if Jain Kim (KOR) missed out on the final, she is still in 3rd place, ahead of Anak Verhoeven (BEL).

Next stop: Munich (GER)

Nearly two months after the last IFSC Bouldering World Cup in Haiyang (CHN), the IFSC Bouldering World Cup Series 2015 will wrap up in Munich (GER) on August 14-15. The venue is well known for its phenomenal atmosphere, and the Bouldering season's grand finale is shaping up to be both festive and full of fearsome competition!

For more information on the event and access to the live streaming of the semi-finals and finals, join us:

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WOMEN LEAD:

RANK	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	MARKOVIC	Mina	SLO	55
2	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	54+
3	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	52+
4	JANICOT	Hélène	FRA	51+
5	KOBAYASHI	Yuka	JPN	38
6	KALAN	Tjasa	SLO	35
7	SCHRANZ	Christine	AUT	16+
8	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	15

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MEN LEAD:

RANK	NAME	NATION	POINTS
1	DESGRANGES Romain	FRA	57+
2	SCHUBERT Jakob	AUT	57
3	SKOFIC Domen	SLO	51+
4	ONDRA Adam	CZE	48.5+
5	SUPPER Gautier	FRA	48+
6	HALENKE Sebastian	GER	48+
7	PRIMOZIC Urban	SLO	45+
8	JOANNES Thomas	FRA	34.5+

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A news edit and a dope sheet will be available for TVs shortly after the end of the Finals. You will be able to download them here: [ftp://ftp.ifsc-climbing.org/](http://ftp.ifsc-climbing.org/) - login: media - password: media15

Lead Finals: <https://youtu.be/uMBA5JE6v0o>

A selection of photos from Imst can be found Monday morning on our Flickr page here: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/123572206@N08/sets/with/72157644623968172>



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WHAT'S NEXT?

IFSC Climbing World Cup (B) - Munich (GER), 14-15 August 2015

Provisional program (GMT+2)

Friday, August 14th

10:00 - 14:30 Male Qualification

16:30 - 19:00 Female Qualification

Saturday, August 15th

11:30 - 14:00 Male & Female Semi-Finals (live broadcasting)

18:30 - 21:30 Male & Female Finals (live broadcasting)

21:30 Award Ceremony (live broadcasting)



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