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IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUP PUURS 2015: DOMEN SKOFIC & JAIN KIM ON TOP OF THE PODIUM IN PUURS (BEL)

One month after the last IFSC Lead World Cup in Norway, the IFSC Lead World Cup Series stopped in Puurs, Belgium this September 26-27, 2015. Climbing queen Jain Kim (KOR) and rising star Domen Skofic (SLO) took gold in a truly electric atmosphere!

The weather in Puurs was gorgeous this weekend for the 5th IFSC Lead World Cup of the season, and the cold air made for an excellent friction on the wall. A classic of the Lead World Cup Series, the spectacular venue lived up to its promise of long and very overhanging routes, and the athletes put on a great show in front of large crowd!

First gold for Domen Skofic

Domen Skofic (SLO) climbed exceptionally well this weekend and he managed to top all the routes that were proposed to him, securing gold for the first time in his career. The 20-year-old rising star is one of the most promising young talents of the Slovenian team, and his performance on the final route was a great display of technique and climbing efficiency!

In a more powerful style, Jakob Schubert (AUT) made quick work of the final route's dynamic moves, and he fell off the very last hold after a tough battle. His performance makes him jump to 2nd place in the Lead overall ranking, behind Gautier Supper (FRA) and in front of Romain Desgranges (FRA). Ramon Julian Puigblanque (ESP) completes the podium with a solid score of 48+. The Spanish powerhouse certainly impressed the crowd with a very dynamic style of climbing and an incredible display of power and endurance throughout the route!

Jain Kim back on top of the podium

After a rocky last few weeks at the Lead World Cups in Imst and Stavanger, in which she finished 12th and 4th respectively, Jain Kim showed us this weekend what makes her the reigning Lead World Champion. The Korean prodigy was the only woman to top all the routes, and it was her 5th consecutive victory in Puurs.

Right behind her, Mina Markovic (SLO) also topped the final route, and the two were separated using their semi-final results. Buoyed by the intense cheers of her home crowd, Anak Verhoeven (BEL) managed to grab a podium spot with a score of 48+. Jessica Pilz (AUT) posted exactly the same score, and the two were also separated using their semi-final results. Quite remarkably, it is the first time this season that Jessica Pilz is not on the podium,

Tonight's results have not modified the women's Lead overall ranking, and Mina keeps her steady lead in front of Jessica and Kim, who are 2nd and 3rd respectively.

Next stop: Wujiang (AUT)

The IFSC Lead World Cup Series 2015 continue in Wujiang, China, on October 17-18. For more information on the event and access to the live streaming of the semi-finals and finals, join us: <http://www.ifsc-climbing.org>



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RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP PUURS 2015 - LEAD

WOMEN LEAD:

RANK	NAME	NATION	POINTS
1	Kim Jain	KOR	TOP
2	Markovic Mina	SLO	TOP
3	Verhoeven Anak	BEL	48+
4	Pilz Jessica	AUT	48+
5	Chanourdie Julia	FRA	44+
6	Romain Salomé	FRA	36+
7	Janicot Hélène	FRA	36+
8	Kobayashi Yuka	JPN	35+

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MEN LEAD:

RANK	NAME	NATION	POINTS
1	Skofic Domen	SLO	TOP
2	Schubert Jakob	AUT	50+
3	J.Puigblanque Ramon	ESP	49+
4	Supper Gautier	FRA	48+
5	Ghisolfi Stefano	ITA	42
6	Desgranges Romain	FRA	41
7	Higuchi Masahiro	JPN	37+
8	Rudigier Max	AUT	29+

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A news edit and a dope sheet will be available for TVs shortly after the end of each Final. You will be able to download them here: <ftp://ftp.ifsc-climbing.org/> - login: media - password: media15

REPLAYS

Lead Semi-finals: https://youtu.be/Otp9NcF_FLE

Lead Finals: <https://youtu.be/AnfD7BgFG7c>

PHOTOS

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

WHAT'S NEXT?

IFSC Climbing World Cup (L,S) - WUJIANG (CHN), 17-18 October 2015

Provisional program (GMT+8)

Saturday, October 17th

09:00 - 09:30 Opening Ceremony

09:40 - 17:00 Male & Female Lead Qualification

18:30 - 20:00 Male & Female Speed Qualification

20:30 - 21:30 Male & Female Speed Final (live broadcasting)

Sunday, October 18th

10:00 - 12:30 Male & Female Lead Semi-Finals (live broadcasting)

15:30 - 15:45 Athletes Presentation and observation time (live broadcasting)

16:00 - 18:00 Male & Female Lead Finals (live broadcasting)

18:30 - 19:00 Award Ceremony (live broadcasting)



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