INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF **SPORT CLIMBING**

www.ifsc-climbing.org

ICIAL PRESS RELEASI

2016

SATURDAY 20th

AUGUST

IFSC WORLD CUP IMST 2016

SKOFIC REPEATS, ROCK WINS AGAIN IN IMST

Domen Skofic continued the Gold rush for Slovenia and Magdalena Röck, after winning at Imst in 2014, was again the last Athlete in the leader's chair at the fourth IFSC Lead World Cup of 2016.

Imst, Austria, hosted its eighth IFSC Lead World Cup last weekend, and once again the venue did not disappoint. Conditions were pleasant, the commentary was colourful, and our Athletes put on another show of inspiring climbing.

Competition Highlights

Slovenia has won at least one Gold at every IFSC Lead World Cup this year, and Imst was no different. The seasoned Jakob Schubert energized the crowd in Imst with a whopping 53+, but Skofic tied the Austrian athlete and claimed his third Gold of the season with a countback to Semi-Finals. Gautier Supper of France rounded out the podium.

For the Women, seventeen-year-old Janja Garnbret ended her winning streak at three and missed out on the first IFSC Lead World Cup podium of her young career. She finished in fifth place. Nearly a quarter of the Women in Semi-Finals were French, but in the end veterans Mina Markovic of Slovenia and Jain Kim of Korea joined Röck on the podium for second and third-place, respectively.

Finals Recap

Time proved to be a factor on the roughly 22-meter wall in Imst. Fourth-place finisher Anak Verhoeven has yet to bring home Gold to Belgium, and she came tantalizingly close Saturday night. The Women's Finals route was progressively overhanging, with a complex roof just before the top panel. Kim was the first to reach the sequence, but neither she nor Markovic conserved enough energy to complete the puzzle. Röck tried a more creative solution, dangling almost upside down and leading with her feet, which earned her positive movement beyond their high point. In the end, her inspiring effort was enough for Gold when Verhoeven timed-out just as she approached the same spot.

Like the Women's Finals route, the physical Men's Finals route kept every athlete from clipping the chains. Blue torpedos littered the burly lower crux section which tired many athletes, as well as the upper panel. Supper conserved enough energy to fight the pump longer than most of the field, but the Frenchman seemed to miss a foothold at the upper crux. Schubert found a much needed heel hook to push through the top section in front of his home crowd, but he still fell well shy of the chains. Skofic copied the stunt later on for his second Gold in a row.

Next Up: Speed and Lead in Italy

On August 26th-27th, the fastest Speed athletes in the world join our Lead athletes for the fifth IFSC Speed and Lead World Cups of 2016. Don't miss the LIVE Streaming next weekend on the IFSC website:

http://www.ifsc-climbing.org

Further event information can be found on the dedicated Arco event page.

As always, please reach out on Twitter during the competition with the hashtag #IFSCwc.

IFSC Partners:











INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORT CLIMBING www.ifsc-climbing.org

FFICIAL PRESS RELEASE

RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP IMST 2016

Women Lead

Men Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	RÖCK	Magdalena	AUT	56+
2	MARKOVIC	Mina	SLO	56
3	KIM	Jain	KOR	56
4	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	54
5	GARNBRET	Janja	SL0	50+
6	CHANOURDIE	Julia	FRA	45+
7	KALAN	Tjasa	SLO	45+
8	KOLLER	Anne-Sophie	SUI	39

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO	53÷
2	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	53÷
3	SUPPER	Gautier	FRA	50
4	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA	49+
5	HALENKE	Sebastian	GER	49+
6	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	45+
7	JULIAN Puigblanq.	Ram ó n	ESP	43÷
8	KIM	Hanwool	KOR	33

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Pierre-Emmanuel DANGER, Press Officer, systemd Mobile: +33 672230735 | Email: press@ifsc-climbing.org

Anne FUYNEL, Director of Marketing & Communications, IFSC Mobile: +33 640469961 | Email: anne.fuynel@ifsc-climbing.org

www.twitter.com/IFSClimbing www.flickr.com/photos/IFSClimbing www.facebook.com/sportclimbing www.youtube.com/sportclimbing

2016 SATURDAY 20th AUGUST

IFSC Partners:







