



## IFSC WORLD CUP KRANJ 2016

# KRANJ CLOSES 2016 WITH APPLAUSE!

In a year which welcomed the inclusion of Sport Climbing in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, the final IFSC event of 2016 concluded in a apropos fashion: with applause for the athletes of our sport!

### Lead: Slovenians Season Champions

It was standing room only for the seventh and final IFSC Lead World Cup, and the Men were first to leave the ground. Mean slopers halfway up the route kept many competitors at bay, but Sebastian Halenke powered through the lower crux and marched into the upper section. His 37<sup>+</sup> was unmatched by seven finalists and ended the German's season on the right note, with his first IFSC Climbing World Cup victory. Runner-up Domen Skofic was the only other athlete to solve the challenging sequence, and he received much support from his home crowd while doing so. By finishing better than seventh, he sealed the victory in the season Lead rankings and received a warm round of applause on the final podium. Although four Men were tied at 20 in Finals, only Austrian Jakob Schubert and Xiamen winner Stefano Ghisolfi Topped in both Semi-Finals and Qualifications. Tied in the countback, Schubert claimed Bronze with a quicker time in Finals. With Bronze, Schubert defended second place on the season over Romain Desgranges, finishing third.

The powerful and sustained Women's route also saw no Tops. Bouldering star Akiyo Noguchi of Japan continued to prove her Lead prowess on Sunday, following up a fourth-place finish in Xiamen with Silver. Climbing seven holds higher was Anak Verhoeven of Belgium. Already second in the season Lead rankings, she fought the pump long enough to win her second IFSC Climbing World Cup. Janja Gambret was the final climber to step onto the stage, and when she did the crowd erupted. Although she did not match Verhoeven's mark, the Slovenian won Bronze and was still crowned season champion after her victory in Xiamen. Jain Kim of Korea placed sixth to round out the season podium.

With a strong performance in the final IFSC Lead World Cup, Slovenia overtook France in the National Team Ranking for Lead. France still climbed well on the ropes this year, finishing second above Austria.

### Combined: Gambret and McColl 2016 Winners

Canadian Sean McColl climbed strong at Kranj and missed the Finals cut by just one move, but the veteran athlete still finished first in the IFSC Climbing World Cup Combined rankings. Kokoro Fujii of Japan was the only athlete who could catch him, and Fujii did not compete at Kranj. Trading places with him in the Combined ranking was Schubert. Since only the top five results in each discipline count towards an athlete's Combined score, Schubert needed to finish fifth or better to pass the Japanese Bouldering star. His quick performance in Finals earned him second place on the podium.

For the Women, Gambret's historic season was made complete at the award ceremony in Kranj. A crowded auditorium cheered for their local hero, officially world youth champion, world champion, and 2016 Combined and Lead champion. The decorated seventeen-year-old secured first place in the IFSC Climbing World Cup Combined rankings before Kranj after winning medals in both Bouldering and Lead this season. Noguchi clinched second place in the Combined with her performance at Xiamen. Jessica Pilz of Austria needed to finish thirteenth or better to unseat Speed world champion Anna Tsyganova of Russia, and she did exactly that in Kranj for Bronze.





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## Thank You, Fans of Sport Climbing!

Thank you for joining us for the 2016 season, one of the most exciting years for Sport Climbing! Please

stay tuned for regular updates, and you can find the provisional Calendar for 2017 on the IFSC website:

<http://www.ifsc-climbing.org>

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## RESULTS OF IFSC WORLD CUP KRANJ 2016

2016  
SUNDAY  
27<sup>th</sup>  
NOVEMBER

### Men Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	HALENKE	Sebastian	GER	37
2	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO	23•
3	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	20
4	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	20
5	FAKIRYANOV	Dmitrii	RUS	20
6	PRIMOZIC	Urban	SLO	20
7	DESGRANGES	Romain	FRA	19•
8	HADA	Yuki	JPN	15•

### Women Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	48•
2	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	41
3	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	40•
4	MARKOVIC	Mina	SLO	40•
5	SCHUBERT	Hannah	AUT	31•
6	KIM	Jain	KOR	31•
7	KOBAYASHI	Yuka	JPN	25•
8	BECERRA	Mathilde	FRA	21•

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## 2016 CLIMBING WORLD CUP RANKINGS (LEAD + COMBINED)

### Men Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	SKOFIC	Domen	SLO	472
2	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	402
3	DESRANGRES	Romain	FRA	380
4	GHISOLFI	Stefano	ITA	356
5	SUPPER	Gautier	FRA	281
6	MCCOLL	Sean	CAN	279
7	HALENKE	Sebastian	GER	255
8	JOANNES	Thomas	FRA	232
9	HIGUCHI	Masahiro	JPN	213
10	PRIMOZIC	Urban	SLO	199

### Women Lead

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	530
2	VERHOEVEN	Anak	BEL	495
3	KIM	Jain	KOR	395
4	RÖCK	Magdalena	AUT	345
5	MARKOVIC	Mina	SLO	306
6	KOBAYASHI	Yuka	JPN	239
7	BECERRA	Mathilde	FRA	236
8	CHANOURDIE	Julia	FRA	230
9	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	223
10	JANICOT	Hélène	FRA	197

### Men Combined

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	MCCOLL	Sean	CAN	538
2	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	439
3	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN	423
4	GELMANOV	Rustam	RUS	280
5	HIGUCHI	Masahiro	JPN	192
6	KIM	Hanwool	KOR	169
7	SHIMATANI	Naoki	JPN	135
8	CORNU	Manuel	FRA	118
9	FIRNENBURG	David	GER	72
10	NARASAKI	Meichi	JPN	44

### Women Combined

#	NAME		NAT.	SCORE
1	GARNBRET	Janja	SLO	596
2	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	447
3	PILZ	Jessica	AUT	286
4	TSYGANOVA	Anna	RUS	284
5	KOBAYASHI	Yuka	JPN	234
6	BECERRA	Mathilde	FRA	211
7	POSCH	Katharina	AUT	167
8	KOTAKE	Mei	JPN	133
9	ONOE	Aya	JPN	107
10	DURIF	Charlotte	FRA	104