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IFSC WORLD CUP MEIRINGEN 2016

WELCOME BACK TO THE BOULDERING WORLD CUP - APRIL 15TH-16TH, 2016

As wildflowers bud in the Swiss Alps, so too does the spirit of international climbing competition awaken among athletes and fans worldwide. A historical 2016 season - which may see the selection of Sport Climbing into the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games - debuts in Meiringen, Switzerland with the first stop of the Bouldering World Cup tour. While the mountains beckon the elite, may the next chapter in climbing history begin!

Setting the Stage

Top Bouldering athletes from around the world will open their chalk buckets and slip-on rubber shoes on Friday, April 15th. The competition in Meiringen, Switzerland is the first in a series of seven 2016 Bouldering World Cup events.

Petra Klingler fell just shy of the podium last season, but the Switzerland native will have the spotlight in Meiringen as she contests with seasoned competitor Shauna Coxsey and the young Megan Mascarenas. For the men, first-time champion Jongwon Chon will defend his title against runner-up Jan Hojer. Other strong boulderers to keep an eye on this year include reigning champion Akiyo Noguchi and teammate Miho Nonaka for the women, as well as the strong Nathaniel Coleman for the men.

Before their feet leave the mat, be sure to review the current World Bouldering Rankings below and visit the [dedicated Meiringen event page](#) for a teaser video, start lists and event information.

Continuing A Legacy

This year, Meiringen expands its longstanding climbing tradition by becoming one of six cities to host an IFSC World Cup for the first time. The heavily anticipated competition will be held indoors on the east end of the village, close to the Meiringen climbing and bouldering gym. Located in the very centre of the Alps, Meiringen will be the perfect place to start the 2016 Sport Climbing season.

The prospective decision by the International Olympic Committee in August adds to the pressure on each host to perform this year, but the IFSC World Cup Meiringen 2016 is set to not disappoint. In addition to the IFSC World Cup, the unique venue will feature, among others, several other sport climbing shows, music performances and the "Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour."

Stay Tuned

Like last season, all dates, rankings and further information regarding the IFSC Climbing World Cup can be found on the IFSC website:

www.ifsc-climbing.org

Tune in to www.ifsc-climbing.org for live streaming of the events if you cannot attend, and send live tweets with the hashtag #IFSCwc!

To access the complete 2016 IFSC Calendar, click [here](#).

Media Relations

As before, a news edit and dope sheet will be available for TVs to download after each event via the IFSC Ftp. For more information, don't hesitate to contact us.

Journalists, photographers, TV crews and additional representatives of the media can register for all IFSC events via the online registration platform for media accreditation found [here](#).

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IFSC WORLD CUP (B) MEIRINGEN (SUI)

Provisional Programme (GMT+2)

Friday, April 15

10:00-14:30 Qualification Men - Boulder Arena, Haslital Climbing Gym

16:30-20:30 Qualification Women - Boulder Arena, Haslital Climbing Gym

Saturday, April 16

11:00-14:00 Semi-Finals Men and Women - (LIVE)

18:30-20:30 Finals Men and Women - (LIVE)

20:30 Awards Ceremony - (LIVE)

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CURRENT WORLD BOULDERING RANKINGS

As of IFSC Climbing World Cup (B) - Munich (GER) 2015 (14.08.2015)

WOMEN BOULDERING

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	NOGUCHI	Akiyo	JPN	259.00
2	COXSEY	Shauna	GBR	217.57
3	NONAKA	Miho	JPN	177.27
4	KLINGLER	Petra	SUI	142.14
5	MASCARENAS	Megan	USA	125.20
6	STÖHR	Anna	AUT	122.31
7	GIBERT	Fanny	FRA	111.91
8	SAURWEIN	Katharina	AUT	106.56
9	KRUDER	Julija	SLO	101.04
10	SA	Sol	KOR	96.09

MEN BOULDERING

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	CHON	Jongwon	KOR	226.98
2	HOJER	Jan	GER	213.13
3	ONDRA	Adam	CZE	198.20
4	COLEMAN	Nathaniel	USA	179.33
5	LEVIER	Alban	FRA	143.83
6	GELMANOV	Rustam	RUS	143.71
7	MCCOLL	Sean	CAN	132.83
8	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN	129.14
9	SUGIMOTO	Rei	JPN	120.58
10	SHARAFUTDINOV	Dmitrii	RUS	117.39

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