## IFSC EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS IN MOSCOW RESCHEDULED FROM OCTOBER 1 TO 8

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The 2020 IFSC European Championships in Moscow (RUS) have been officially rescheduled in October.

The championships, which were initially supposed to take place from March 20 to 27, had been previously moved to the month of June, but due to the growing complications caused by the pandemic of COVID-19, the event was forcedly postponed a second time.

However, IFSC Europe, alongside the IFSC Sport Department and the Climbing Federation of Russia, kept working tirelessly throughout these very hard times, in order to find the best and safest solution for athletes, team officials, organisers, volunteers and fans, and finally set the appointment from October 1 to 8.

The competition will award two quota places for Tokyo 2020 – one per gender, and the selection of the athletes that will battle for the Olympic slot in the Combined Qualifier will be based on their results within the three disciplines.

The IFSC European Championships in Moscow will be the second continental championships organised in 2020, after the Pan American one was held in Los Angeles (USA) from February 24 to March 1, qualifying Canada's Alannah Yip and United States' Colin Duffy for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

IFSC President Marco Scolaris said:

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"I'm sure the IOC won't mind if I borrow their motto for a moment: hope lights our way! Despite the fact that we live on a day-by-day basis, it is important to keep working for the future, in order to be ready when better days will come. The new dates of the European Championships are definitely a sign of hope and no surrender."

CFR President Dmitry Bychkov said:

"We are all hoping for the best, and we are ready - with a successful combination of circumstances - to produce every effort and deliver the competition at the best possible level. All of us, organisers and fans, are willing to be finally able to see the best European athletes compete in Moscow."

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