



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORT CLIMBING

# JAPAN TO HOST IFSC BOULDER & LEAD WORLD CUP THIS FALL

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The International Sport Climbing Federation (IFSC) is pleased to announce that the IFSC Boulder World Cup originally scheduled in May 2022, has been rescheduled as the IFSC Boulder & Lead World Cup in Morioka-Iwate, Japan.

In what will be the first international Sport Climbing event held in Japan since the sport's successful Olympic debut at Tokyo 2020 last summer, the World Cup in Morioka-Iwate will take place this from 20 to 22 October.

The event will be organized by the IFSC in association with long-time partner agencies Synca Creations Inc. and Dentsu Inc.

The Morioka-Iwate competition will be the first IFSC World Cup held in Japan since the World Cup in Inzai in October 2019. It will also be loaded with Olympic flavours. Morioka-Iwate will be the first IFSC event to feature the Boulder & Lead discipline, which will be one of the two medal events at the Olympic Games Paris 2024, and it will also be the final event of the 2022 IFSC season, pointing enticingly to the 2023 season when the qualification path to Paris 2024 officially begins.

Commenting on new World Cup event, IFSC President Marco Scolaris said:

"First of all, I would like to express my gratitude to the local government of Morioka-Iwate for their desire to welcome this event and our athletes from around the world. It will be a pleasure for all of us to return to Japan after making history in Tokyo last summer. It will also be an opportunity to look with excitement toward the future with the new Boulder & Lead format, which will provide a great test for our athletes ahead of the start of our qualifying campaign for Paris 2024 the following season."

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