

#### **IFSC Preview Press Release**

IFSC Lead World Cup 2012: All eyes on Kranj - November 17-18

It's gonna be a hot weekend for climbing fans all around the world from Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>! In Kranj, climbing capitol of Slovenia, the world's best Lead climbers are fighting for final points crucial to the Lead Overall World Cup 2012. And tension is guaranteed:

Both in the women's and men's calculation (lead & overall) it's all up in the air ahead of the last competition of the season.

As the year goes by there's only one more decision left in the IFSC Climbing World Cup 2012

– and it turns out to be one of the most thrilling decisions this season! In the men's Lead calculation it's first and foremost Ramón Julian Puigblanque from Spain (525 pts.) and Japan's Sachi Amma (520 pts.) fighting for first place.

After quite some changes at the head Spain's world champion from 2011 reconquered his leading position and is now leading the field only five points in front of Sachi Amma. Sean McColl, winner of the WC in Xining, comes third with 447 points followed by reigning world champion Jakob Schubert (AUT) with 438 points. Concerning the overall title (boulder, lead, speed), only Sean McColl (681 Points) and Jakob Schubert (691 Points) have still the chance to win the overall world cup 2012. Because they are only separated by 11 Points, Kranj will be a thrilling decision.





In the women's competition Kranj will witness a Slovenian-Korean duel: Local heroine Mina Markovic, winner of the IFSC Lead World Cup 2011, and Jain Kim, winner of 2010, will settle the title of the world's best female Lead climber 2012 between themselves. Current places three and four oft he Lead World Cup 2012 calculation go to season winner Johanna Ernst (AUT) and Hélène Janicot (FRA).

### Kranj live and on the internet

The venue of this season's final World Cup competition is well known in the climbing world:

This year the World Cup competition in Kranj is taking place for the sixteenth time in a row.

No other city has as many competitions as Kranj. The kick-off for the Slovenian finals is taking place on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. local time. All climbing fans that can't be on site will be able to watch the competition live on <a href="https://www.ifsc.tv">www.ifsc.tv</a>. So don't miss!

#### **Intermediate Ranking Worldcup Lead 2012 Overall**

(after 8 out of 9 World Cups)

#### Men - Top 10:

| Rank | Last Name             | First<br>Name | NAT     | Points |
|------|-----------------------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 1.   | JULIAN<br>PUIGBLANQUE | Ramón         | ESP     | 539.00 |
| 2.   | AMMA                  | Sachi         | JPN     | 520.00 |
| 3.   | MCCOLL                | Sean          | CA<br>N | 447.00 |
| 4.   | SCHUBERT              | Jakob         | AUT     | 438.00 |
| 5.   | DESGRANGES            | Romain        | FRA     | 389.00 |
| 6.   | MIN                   | Hyunbin       | KO<br>R | 345.00 |
| 7.   | VERHOEVEN             | Jorg          | NE<br>D | 335.00 |





| ľ | 8.  | MIDTBOE   | Magnus  | NO  | 324.00 |
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|   |     |           |         | R   |        |
|   | 9.  | LECHNER   | Mario   | AUT | 273.00 |
|   | 10. | CHERNIKOV | Mikhail | RU  | 262.00 |
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http://www.ifsc-climbing.org/index.php?page name=ranglist&cat=ICC M&cup=12 WC

# Women - Top 10:

| Ran<br>k | Last Name     | First<br>Name | NAT | Points |
|----------|---------------|---------------|-----|--------|
| 1.       | MARKOVIC      | Mina          | SLO | 630.00 |
| 2.       | KIM           | Jain          | KOR | 597.00 |
| 3.       | ERNST         | Johanna       | AUT | 510.00 |
| 4.       | JANICOT       | Hélène        | FRA | 422.00 |
| 5.       | ODA           | Momoka        | JPN | 350.00 |
| 6.       | DURIF         | Charlotte     | FRA | 331.00 |
| 7.       | RÖCK          | Magdale<br>na | AUT | 323.00 |
| 8.       | MALAMID       | Evgenia       | RUS | 301.00 |
| 9.       | FAKHRITDINOVA | Dinara        | RUS | 287.00 |
| 10.      | POSCH         | Katharina     | AUT | 285.00 |

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