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# **FIS MEDIA INFO**

## Decisions of the FIS Council at its Online Autumn Meeting 2021

The FIS Council held its Fall meeting online on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November and dealt with a full agenda, including items such as reports from Organising Committees of the FIS World Championships and Olympic Winter Games, the appointment of technical officials and proposals from the FIS Technical Committees.

The main decisions of the online Council meeting are as follows:

## FIS World Championships – Future Hosts

At its previous full meeting, the Council extend the deadline for applying to host the 2027 FIS Freestyle Ski, Snowboard and Freeski World Championships until 1<sup>st</sup> October. FIS received one application from Montafon (AUT) to host the Championship, which was formally approved and added to the four Alpine applicants and one Nordic candidate for 2027.

The Council will vote for the 2027 FIS World Ski Championship hosts at the next Congress this Spring in Vilamoura (POR).

## FIS Junior World Ski Championships - Future Hosts

The following venues were approved as hosts of FIS Junior World Championships:

- Lygna (NOR) Cross-Country events of the FIS Junior World Championships 2022 from 26<sup>th</sup> February to 6<sup>th</sup> March 2022.
- France will host the FIS Alpine Junior Ski Championships 2024. The exact site will be proposed the latest to the Council in Vilamoura (POR), May 2022.



# **Future Olympic Winter Games and World Championships**

Reports were received from the upcoming 2022 and 2026 Olympic Winter Games in Beijing and Cortina-Milano.

Reports were also received from the hosts of the future FIS World Championships who have been elected through 2025. Additionally, reports were given about the preparations for all assigned FIS Junior World Championships.

#### **Technical Committees**

All updates to the International Competition Rules (ICR) proposed by the FIS Technical Committees were approved. A more detailed summary of the proposals from the committees was published following the Autumn meetings on the FIS website under each discipline: Cross Country, Ski Jumping, Nordic Combined, Alpine, Freestyle Ski & Snowboard.

# **Honorary Committee Members**

Two individuals were granted given Honorary Committee Membership status: Anton Wicker, Medical Committee; Werner Margreiter, Sub-Committee for University Racers.

# **FIS Congress**

The 53<sup>rd</sup> International Ski Congress in Vilamoura (POR) is scheduled from Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> to Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022. As per the Statutes, the 54<sup>th</sup> Congress will take place online.

### **FIS National Associations**

The following applications were approved for FIS membership by the Council and will be forwarded onto the Congress for a final decision next Spring:

- Slovakia (Full Member) currently operating under the National Olympic Committee
- Saudi Arabia (Associate Member)
- Thailand (from Associate Member to Full Member)
- Uruguay (Associate Member)

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#### **About FIS**

FIS is the governing body for international skiing and snowboarding, founded in 1924 during the first Olympic Games in Chamonix, France. Recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), FIS manages the Olympic disciplines of Alpine Skiing, Cross-Country Skiing, Ski Jumping, Nordic Combined, Freestyle Skiing and Snowboarding, including setting the international competition rules. Through its 135 member nations, more than 7'000 FIS ski and snowboard competitions are staged annually. Specific initiatives are undertaken by FIS to promote snow activities as a healthy leisure recreation, notably for the young. For more information, please visit www.fis-ski.com