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- Sub-Committee for Cross
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**FIS Snowboard Freestyle Freeski Committee Meeting
Hotel Croatia, Cavtat-Dubrovnik (CRO) 28.05.2019 and 31.05.2019**

Dear Friends,

Please find enclosed the “**Provisional Minutes**” for the meeting of the Committee for Snowboard Freestyle Freeski Cavtat-Dubrovnik (CRO).

We would also like to take the opportunity of informing you that the meeting documents are available on the FIS Cloud:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/A39mTGUGHMvOtMW>

With kind regards,

INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION



Dean Gosper
Chairman

INTERNATIONAL SKI FEDERATION
Committee for Snowboard Freestyle Freeski
Agenda – for the meetings of the FIS Snowboard Freestyle Freeski Committee

Tuesday, 28.05.2019, 14:00 – 18:00 Room Libertas
AGENDA

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks
7. Presentations
 - 7.2 World Championships
 - 7.2.1 Junior World Championships 2019
 - 7.2.2 Park City 2019, USA
 - 7.2.3 Junior World Championships 2020
 - 7.2.4 Zhangjiakou 2021, CHN
 - 7.2.5 Bakuriani 2023, GEO
 - 7.2.6 Bids and Application Process 2025
 - 7.3 Olympic Winter Games
 - 7.3.1 Beijing 2022, CHN
 - 7.3.2 Interests and Process 2026
 - 7.4 Youth Olympic Games
 - 7.4.1 YOG 2020 Lausanne, SUI
 - 7.4.2 Events on the YOG Programme
 - 7.5 Other Presentations
 - 7.5.1 Presentation FIS Points adaptation & WC Points (Guido van Meel)

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Friday, 31.05.2019, 10:30 – 18.00 hrs, Room Bobara (Committee Meeting)
AGENDA

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks - **Tuesday**
 - 1.1 Identification of Voting Delegates
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 - 1.2 Review of Minutes from last meeting
 - 1.3. Approval of Agenda
 - 1.4 Report on the Proposals to the FIS Council (November 2018)
 - 1.5 Items from FIS Council regarding Freestyle Skiing and Snowboarding
 - 1.6 Items to other Committees
 - 1.6.1 Equipment Committee
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 - 4.1. Snowboard Freestyle Freeski Chairman's Report
 - 4.2 Sub-Committee Park and Pipe Report
 - 4.3 Sub-Committee Cross
 - 4.4 Sub-Committee Moguls and Aerials
 - 4.5 Sub-Committee Snowboard Alpine
 - 4.6 Rules Advisory Group Report

- 4.7 Technical Delegate Advisory Group Report
- 4.8 Moguls/Aerials Judges Advisory Group Report
- 4.9 Park and Pipe Judges Advisory Group Report
- 4.10 Course Builder Clinics
- 4.11 Sub-Committee for SB FS FK Youth & Children's Questions Report
- 4.12 FIS Information and Staff Reports (written)
- 4.13 Marketing Report
- 4.14 Communications Report

- 5. Athlete Representatives Report
 - 5.1 Athletes Report

- 6. Strategic Direction and Action Discussion
 - 6.1 Goals
 - 6.2 Other

- 7. Presentations
 - 7.1 World Cup Calendars
 - 7.1.1 Process
 - 7.1.2 Season 2019/2020
 - 7.1.3 Drafts Season 2020/2021
 - 7.1.4 Long-term Calendar Planning

- 8. Other Business

- 9. Next Meetings
 - Zurich (SUI) 01.-05.10.2019
 - FIS Congress in Royal Cliff (THA) 17.-23.05.2020

ITEM 1

Welcome and Opening Remarks

Dear Colleagues

I welcome you all to our meetings during the 2019 FIS Calendar Conference, Cavtat-Dubrovnik (CRO).

Our Provisional Agenda was sent out on 23 March. Comments were received and then sent out on 21 May.

Preparations for the May meetings are always difficult in view of the proximity of the just-completed Norther season. However, experience suggests much will get done and further responsibilities will be allocated in the time between now and the Fall meetings.

Season

The World Championships in Park City (USA) was the pinnacle of a season that delivered on the quality of sport and an abundance of snow. Together with the balance of the World Cup and Regional events, which Joe tells me totaled over 1,350, the World Champs demonstrated again the unique and valuable qualities of Snowboard, Freestyle and Freeski. Their youth appeal and global footprint ensured broad-based National success and audience connection, especially via new media.

I thank all Organising Committees for their valuable contributions during the season and pledge that we will continue to work with you to ensure the best outcomes for all involved.

This momentum can continue for our Disciplines, especially given the quality of the future and prospective hosts at OWG and WSC level.

Snowboarding

Since our last meeting, you have become aware that global unification of Snowboarding has been agreed through collaboration between WSF and FIS. This week will see continued technical and operational work to deliver the vision of this collaboration. This work includes, first, the drafting of a Service Agreement to cover the pathway responsibilities of the two organisations and, secondly, the establishment of the Terms of Reference for a Classifications Advisory Group, within Park and Pipe, to oversee the technical aspects of the World Snowboard Points List. Work is also underway to establish a comparable List for Freeski.

Week Ahead

Our week of meetings:

- begins today with an event-presentation session of the “Super Committee”; and
- continues on Friday with technical reports of the various Sub-Committees and a strategy session.

Strategy will focus on the *Goals of our Disciplines*, but you are welcome to introduce additional topics.

It is my intention to review briefly the high-level work toward a strategic plan and then invite:

- Comments on the impact of our new event-committee structure on our various stakeholders; and, then
- Suggestions for Goals for our Disciplines.
 - o Performance not Outcomes
 - o Specific (Be precise)
 - o Measurable
 - o Attainable (Realistic & under our control)
 - o Relevant (Linked to our strategy)
 - o Trackable

I encourage all to make some preparations for this session.

New ICR Project

An activity leading up to and during this week of meetings is the finalization and adoption of our New ICR Project. In summary, the Project involves:

- consolidating the Rules common to all the Sub-Committees into a 2000 and 3000 series; and
- isolating the Rules that are exclusive to each Sub-Committee.

In this way, each Sub-Committee will have its own Rule Book combining the two elements above.

It is no secret that the ICR Project has involved an enormous amount of work for many but especially our “Rules Ruler”, Stefano Arnold. It is also be appropriate to mention the support of Chris Robinson, Iain Mackay and Guido van Meel.

Gender Equity

Before concluding, I would like to emphasize the importance Council is placing on establishing a better balance of women within the FIS Family. Although women are well represented on our field of play, there is clearly under-representation throughout our Committees. While a series of quotas are now being phased in, responsibility and action lies in the hands of our NSA members.

It is appropriate that the SB FS FK Community, given its Global reach and connection with youth, again be a leader in this overdue transformation.

During the week and beyond, I encourage all to continue to work toward a shared vision of unity and remain respectful of the diversity of culture and communities.

I wish respect, patience and wisdom during our deliberations.

Kindest regards,



Dean Gosper
FIS Council Member
Chairman Snowboard Freestyle & Freeski Committee

1.1 Identification of Voting Delegates

Ordinary Members		28.05.2019	31.05.2019
Chairman Dean Gosper	AUS	Present	Present
Vice-Chairman Jeremy Forster	USA	Present	Present
Vice-Chairman Rémi Sella	FRA	Present	Present
Vice-Chairman Yang Li	CHN	Present	Present
Members: Christian Galler	AUT	Present	Excused
Tommy Eliasson	SWE	Present	Present
Sacha Giger	SUI	Present	Present
Heli Herdt	GER	Present	Present
Michael Kennedy	AUS	Present	Present
Levan Metreveli	GEO	Present	Present
Denis Tikhomirov	RUS	Absent	Present
Cesare Pisoni	ITA	Present	Present
Dustin Heise	CAN	Present	Present
Krsitin Saeteroey	NOR	Present	Present
Xavier Ubeira	ESP	Present	Present
Experts:			
Stefano Arnhold	BRA	Present	Present
Calum Clark	USA	Eric Webster	Eric Webster
Peter Krogoll	GER	Present	Present
Chris Robinson	CAN	Excused	Excused
Anna Banach	(Infront)	Present	Present
Conference:			
John O'Grady	GBR	Iain Mackay	Lesley McKenna
Marko Mustonen	FIN	Jyrki Säämänen	Jyrki Säämänen
Christoph Perreten	SUI	Present	Present
Anze Polanec	SLO	Absent	Absent
Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN	Present	Present
Martin Toomey	NZL	Tom Willmott	Tom Willmott
Yuliya Fominykh	ARM	Absent	Absent
Aleksandr Grebner	BLR	Present	Present
Marek Hlinican	SVK	Absent	Absent
Abderrahim Kassami	MAR	Absent	Absent
Stanislav Kravchuk	UKR	Present	Present
Alexey Kurashov	RUS	Absent	Present
Tomas Murgac	SVK	Absent	Present
Naim Onur Ozkul	TUR	Absent	Memet Güney
Bahram Savehshemshaki	IRI	Absent	Absent
Piotr Skowronski	POL	Absent	Absent
Matevz Stanovnik	SLO	Absent	Present
Ioannis Theodorou	GRE	Absent	Absent

Athletes Committee:

Hanna Kearny	USA (Freestyle Skiing women)	Present
Alex Fiva	SUI (Freestyle Skiing men)	Present
Liu Jiayu	CHN (Snowboard women)	Absent
Alexander Payer	AUT (Snowboard men)	Present

Denis Giger	SUI (Chairman Sub-Committee Y&C)	Present
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FIS Staff:

Joseph Fitzgerald	FIS	Present
Uwe Beier	FIS	Present
Roby Moresi	FIS	Present
Ritchie Date	FIS	Present
Jean-Pierre Baralo	FIS	Present
Christian Crétier	FIS	Present

1.2 Review of Minutes from last Meeting

The Chairman asks for a review and approval of the Minutes from the last Committee Meeting.

The Minutes are approved as sent out on 24th October, 2018.

1.3 Approval of Agenda

Draft No. 1 of the agenda was distributed 22nd March 2019.

Draft No 2 are these "Comments on the Agenda" forward on 20th May, 2019.

1.4 Report on the Proposals to the FIS Council (November 2018)

All of the proposals presented were approved.

The Chairman indicated that there was some discussion concerning the size of the world championships, numbers of competitors, numbers of competitions and its general complexity.

There were a number of events that were cancelled at the World Championships with the some major implications for competitors and stakeholders including sponsors and TV rights holders. The Committee is asked to review the procedures for event cancellation at World Championships.

1.5 Items from FIS Council regarding Freestyle Skiing and Snowboarding

Proposals regarding Gender Equity are noted and welcomed by the Disciplines.

1.6 Items to other Committees

There are no items to other Committees.

1.6.1 Equipment Committee

The meeting for the Equipment Committee was held on 31st May, 2019 at 18:30 in the Meeting Room Libertas.

There were no proposals concerning Freestyle Ski/Freeski/Snowboard.

1.6.2 Medical Committee

IOC FIS Injury Prevention Study - Update

Matthias Gilgien from the Oslo Sports School has secured significant funding from FIS to develop a study on the cross competitions. He worked also on some other projects in the past years and there are some future projects under consideration.

There is also been match funding for some of these projects from the International Olympic Committee.

Here is a short overview:

Big Air/Slopestyle

- All data collections are conducted
- Analysis of competition and experimental data are ongoing
- First final results will be presented in autumn 2019

Cross

- The first data was collected at the World Cup finals in Veysonnaz, March 2019
- Analysis of the first competition is ongoing
- Planning of data collections winter 2019/20 in summer 2019 with FIS

Aerial Artificial Intelligence project

- Feasibility study is conducted at the Norwegian School of Sport Sciences
- Collaboration with the Chinese Wintersport Administration and Microsoft as about to be established

FIS ISS is asked to be becoming more active by interacting with the various areas and Race Directors and collecting more information around the various areas.

ITEM 2

Previous and Tabled Business and Postponed Items

There were no postponed items

ITEM 3

Proposals

See item 4.6.

Stefano Arnold (BRA) spoke about the development of the New ICR project and all of the extensive work that is occurred in the past 12 months.

SB-FS-FK RULES MEETINGS AND PROCESS FOR DUBROVNIK (CRO) 2019

As we are concentrating our efforts and time on the approval of the NEW SBFSFK ICR, please find below further Information and Instructions:

Provisional Minutes for the meeting of the FIS SB-FS-FK Committee Dubrovnik CRO

Main Goal:

Our main goal in Dubrovnik was to approve single rule books ('new' ICR's) to align with our event sub-committee structures. As well, we sought approval for a new harmonized 2000/3000 (general rules) section to be included in each of the four new ICR's: 1) P&P, 2) Cross, 3) SB Alpine, 4) MO/AE.

New Rule Change Proposals:

In order to achieve the above goal we sought new Rule Change Proposals to be kept to a minimum and only concentrate on those which are deemed urgent and/or imperative to be approved for the start of the 2019/20 Season.

Proposals were requested to be sent to the FIS office by 26th April 2019. The table below has been provided by the RAG and is updated as of 20th May, 2019.

#	NSA	GROUP	URGENT	Support	RULE	SUBJECT
1	USA	AE/MO	YES		FS ICR 3060.2.6.1/,2	Add Open MO format with best of two runs in Finals
2	USA	AE/MO	YES		missing	No Repeat Jumps in MO F1 and F2 rounds
3	USA	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	missing	Random F1 Run Order for MO
4	FRA	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS Judges Handbook 6304.4.3	Make correction on Time points in comparison DM
5	RAG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 3043.4.2	Fix a wording problem
6	RAG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 3059	Amend wording to correct gate passage MO/DM
7	RAG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 3041.2	Add a clause to rule on timing in DM
8	USA/CAN	AE/MO	YES		FS CoC NAC 5.1	Change wording to allow a full 100% of unused spots to be used instead of only 75%
9	FS JWG	AE/MO	YES		FS ICR 4306.3	Add Direct Comparison Scoring case for a jump repeat.
10	FS JWG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 4304.3.3	Add the word, 'Classic DM' and 'Direct' to clarify the rule.
11	FS JWG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 4303.1/2/3	Change the item number accordingly.
12	FS JWG	AE/MO	NO	not a rule change proposal	various	AE 6004.2.2.2.4, MO use video and live scoring for MO Jump ID and FS Licence Upgrade Procedure
13	CAN	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS WC 8.1.1	randomly assign bibs in MO/AE to reduce the potential of athlete recognition bias by judges.

14	MAG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 3046	For FIS and NC MO/DM competitions the age to be 13 years
15	MAG	AE/MO	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS ICR 3033.1	No appointment of Judges employed by a national Team like coach, medical staff,
16	FIS	AE/MO	YES		FS ICR 4700	Team Competition Rules
20(a)	RAG	Cross	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	SB WC 4.2	separate SBX from PGS/PSL Quota Rules - approved in Zurich 2018
20(b)	AUS	Cross	YES	supported by Cross	SB WC 4.2	ex 102 Proposal increase SBX Basic Quota min points from 50 to 125 and reduce from 30 to 25 Women Additional Quota
21	FIS	Cross	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	SB WC 4.4.1	Reduce to 16L & 32 M SBX WC Finals field size in case of multidisciplinary events
22	SX AG	Cross	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	FS ICR 4505.5 New Rule	New Rule for SX Team Event
23	SX AG	Cross	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	SX Course Testing Guidelines	Implement the Course Testing Guidelines for Ski Cross
24	SX AG	Cross	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	FS WC 4.1/4.4/7.8.1	Increase accommodation fees and amount of single rooms for SX only
25	SX AG	Cross	NO	postponed for ZRH	WC SBX/SX Rule Book	To create a common WC rule book for SX & SBX
26	SX AG	Cross	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS WC 4.2.3	Make it optional to have 1 or 2 training days for SX WC
40	FIS	P&P	YES	for 3rd call	SB WC 4.3	New SB WC Quotas
41	FIS	P&P	YES	for 3rd call	FS WC 13-14-15	New FS WC Quotas
42	CHN	P&P	YES		SB WC 4.2	Use FIS Points for SB HP Quotas
43	CHN	P&P	YES		SB WC 4.2	Increase SB HP Basic Quota Spots & Additional Spots
44	CAN/USA	P&P	NO	postponed	SB CoC	Increase SB SS & BA NAC

				for ZRH	NAC 2.3.1	Quotas from 5 and 5 to 10 L and 20 M
45	FRA	P&P	NO	postponed for ZRH		FK SS Judging
46	FIS	P&P	YES	for 3rd call	FS WC 11.3.5 New Rule	Add an FS P&P Overall Award harmonizing with SB
47	FIS	P&P	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	SB WC 12.2.2 New Rule	New formula for SB P&P Overall Winners
48	FIS	P&P	YES	pre-approved for Dubrovnik	FS WC 11.3.2.1 New Rule	New formula for FS P&P Overall Winners
49	FIS	P&P		pre-approved for Dubrovnik	SB EC 2.7	Maximum 4 best EC points results per Event (HP,SS,BA) for Event Champions
50	FIS	P&P		pre-approved for Dubrovnik	SB EC 2.5.1 New Rule	Double Points for Premium P&P Europa Cups
51	FIS	P&P		pre-approved for Dubrovnik	FS CoC 2.3	Maximum 4 best EC points results per Event (HP,SS,BA) for Event Champions
52	FIS	P&P		pre-approved for Dubrovnik	FS EC 3	At the discretion of the OC to accept over quota in SS EC events/must announce on Invitation
60	AUT	SB AL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB ICR 2502.2	20-25m in PGS in every Race Level
61	AUT	SB AL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB ICR 2509.1.1.4	Number of finalist in PAR =1 6
62	AUT	SB AL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB ICR 2509.2.1.2	New bibs for Finals
63	AUT	SB AL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB WC 3.1.1 New Rule	Resetting the course in single Elimination format of Parallel Races after Qualifications
63(b)	SUI	SB AL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB WC 3.1	Resetting the course in single Elimination format of Parallel Races after Qualifications
64	AUT	SB AL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB ICR 2400	Delete Triple Slalom Rules
65	SUI	SB AL	NO	postponed	2504.5 New	Resetting the courses in

				for ZRH	Rule	PSL/PGS races after elimination run
70	JPN	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	Coml Markings 2.6.3 & 2.6.6	Remove restriction on the quantity and size (Head gear/helmets not for SB P&P and eliminate restr on boards
71	TD AG	ALL	YES		New ICR 2008	TD Chapter for New ICR
72	CAN/USA	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB CoC NAC 2.6	Change the NorAm Cup Championship SB HP/SS/BA Title from 6 best results to max 3 best results
73	CAN/USA	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB ICR 2006.8	Increase Judges Pay for competition days from CHF 100 to CHF 300
74	AUT	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	SB WC 7	To include an official Prize Money calculation sheet
75	CAN/USA	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS CoC NAC 2.2	Add wording to clarify entry fees amounts to NorAm Competitions
76	CAN/USA	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS CoC NAC 3	Clarification for Prize Money collection and distribution
77	CAN/USA	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS CoC NAC 10	Change the NorAm Cup Championship FS HP/SS/BA Titles to max 3 best results
78	CAN/USA	ALL	NO	postponed for ZRH	FS CoC Appendix A	Change Title of Guidelines Header as well as contact information
79	FIS	ALL	YES		FIS Points 3.1	Printing Deadlines for FIS Points Lists (SB & FS)

See Appendix 1 for all the proposals

ITEM 4

Reports

4.1. Snowboard Freestyle Freeski Chairman's Report

Refer to opening remarks under Item 1.

4.2 Sub-Committee Park and Pipe Report

Proposals for Head Judges WSC 2021 and OWG 2022:

Snowboard: Iztok Sumatic, SLO
Freeski: David Ortlieb, SUI

Report Jeremy Forster – Chairman Sub-Committee Park and Pipe

- Many thanks to Stefano, Guido, Christoph, Roby and Ritchie and the Rules Advisory Group for their work on the various rulebook revisions. Huge amount of work and coordination that is greatly appreciated.
- Roby presented status regarding the 2022 Olympic field sizes and nations quota process. This is an on-going discussion between FIS and IOC staff. Important to emphasize the hope of maintaining the current field sizes in our sports. The goal of gender balanced field sizes is of course positive and necessary. Our sports already have small total athlete numbers, and perhaps there can be other alternatives to reaching this objective without reducing the men's fields. Particularly in Slopestyle and Big Air. Roby will continue to work on this important topic for us, and would ask for any additional assistance in this area as necessary.
- Regarding the 2022 Olympic Nations Quota process there was the suggestion that the number of events counting towards the Olympic Ranking List be capped at the athletes best 7 Slopestyle and 3 Big Air events plus World Championships during the qualification period.
- On going work between FIS and WSF. World Snowboard Points List has continued to be operational and providing that service to the nations, athletes and events. With nations beginning to receive their initial invoices for this service. Believe that once an agreement is confirmed by the WSF Board or General Assembly then the Classification Advisory Group will be formed to ensure the integrity of the WSPL Ranking List and guide the formation of the World Freeski Ranking List. As mentioned in the Park & Pipe Sub-Committee meeting, if any nations have potential nominations to this Classification Group please submit interest. Anticipate confirmation of this group during the Zurich meetings.
- Unfortunately, this season the Association of Freeski Professionals (AFP) ceased operations along with the AFP Ranking List. Would like to acknowledge the AFP, particularly Eric Zerenner, for all of their support and partnership within Freeski and for all they have done in the development of Freeski.

- As a part of the on-going harmonization process the alignment of WC Quotas for 2019/20 was discussed and approved. This built on the work already done over last 18 months. As we have discussed for some time now, it's important to have manageable field sizes at the World Cup events. Also understand that it is likely we will continue to adjust and refine this new process over time.
- With these reduced World Cup quotas the importance of high quality continental cups events is magnified. Understand most continental cup series are already in process of continuing to develop. We will dedicate more time to this important topic in Zurich.
- Many thanks to the Sub-Committee members for their cooperation. There was really good discussion among the members. And I appreciate everyone's commitment to improving the sport overall.

The Provisional Minutes can be found here:

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4.3 Sub-Committee Cross

Report Remi Sella – Chairman Sub-Committee Cross

As reported in my opening remarks at the Cross Sub-Committee meeting, last season has been a tough season for Ski Cross and Snowboard Cross.

Lack of snow, cancellations, reduced Cross Alp Tour calendar, reduced Snowboard Cross World Cup calendar and again, a non-acceptable course at a major event.

Main good point to notice is that no serious injuries were reported. Safety is a priority, that was the message delivered to FIS Race Directors at our last meeting in Zurich. The goal has been achieved, but, as a result, tracks were not always challenging and were not presenting our sports in the best way. More work has to be done on course building. A scientific approach will be proposed by the Race Director to find solutions. The best athletes deserve to be able to demonstrate their technical skills.

At Cross Sub-Committee meeting, as requested by the Super Committee, priority has been given to ICR harmonization. So, some proposals had to be deferred to the fall meeting. Thanks to Stefano, Chris, Guido, Heli, Ben and all the others for all the work they did to finalize the project on time.

I will not go into details as Rules AG chairman did it in its report, but just one decision I would like to point out as it has been requested by the Ski Cross community from a long time, equipment control will happen at each SX World Cup next year.

Considering what happened last season, it appears that harmonization has not been understood in the right way. Harmonization does not mean to create a unique identity but to clarify and clean the rule book as to make it easier to understand and use for officials, organizing committees and so on. A new message has to be given to both sports.

As a conclusion, I will say that I hope coordination between the two disciplines will help move things forward, above all at major events, as, whatever happens, Ski Cross and Snowboard Cross will be together at next Worlds Championships and Olympic Games. The Committee Chairman acknowledges that Cross is by far our most challenging event to organise. Numerous discussions happened during this week and will continue to try to find solutions to the diverse issues that are still to be solved.

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Snowboard Cross Advisory Group

Chairman:	Peter Krogoll	GER
FIS	Uwe Beier	FIS
	Jean-Pierre Baralo	FIS
	Alberto Schiavon	FIS
Members:	Ben Wordsworth	AUS
	Peter Foley	USA
	Mario Fuchs	SUI
	Christian Galler	AUT
	Konstantin Schad	GER

Ski Cross Advisory Group

Chairman:	Heli Herdt	GER
Vice Chairman:	Sabine Wittner	AUT
FIS:	Jean-Pierre Baralo	FIS
Members:	Eric Archer	FRA
	Pala Bartolomeo	ITA
	Ralph Pfäffli	SUI
	Dave Ellis	CAN
	Shawn Flemming	AUS
	John Lindh	SWE

Cross Vision 2022

Chairman:	Helmuth Senfter	ITA
Members:	Tommy Eliasson	SWE
	Dave Ellis	CAN
	Luc Faye	FRA
	Alex Fiva	SUI
	Peter Foley	USA
	Christian Galler	AUT
	Heli Herdt	GER
	Ralph Pfäffli	SUI
	Ben Wordsworth	AUS
	Konstantin Schad	GER
	JP Baralo	FIS - Cross Race Director
	Uwe Beier	FIS - Snowboard Race Director
	Joe Fitzgerald	FIS - Freestyle Race Director
	Peter Krogoll	GER - Cross SC Vice-Chairman
	Remi Sella	FRA - Cross SC Chairman

4.4 Sub-Committee Mogul and Aerial

Report Walt Hiltner (AUS) – Chairman Sub-Committee Moguls and Aerial

Congratulations to all athletes and nations for your outstanding efforts and results.

Thank to you to those nations that hosted events – in particular the USSA and Deer Valley for their outstanding World Championships. But also to all those who conducted events from the lowest levels right up through World Cup – Junior World Championships and the Universiade; hundreds of events that create the interest and pathways for the champions and heroes of tomorrow.

Items being addressed are the new Dual Mogul judging criteria and review of the Team Aerial format.

MO/AE is committed to do the work necessary over the summer to present the updated information to progress the ICR project at the fall meeting. Special thanks to Iain Mackay for his assistance on this project

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Moguls Advisory Group:

Chairman:	Matt Gnoza	USA
Member:	Mike Hamelin	CAN
	Fabien Bertrand	FRA
	Harald Marbler	SWE
	Janne Lahtela	FIN
	Toby Dawson	CHN
	Jo Yuta	JPN
	Steve Desovich	AUS
	Andrea Rinaldi	SUI
Member at Large:	Anders Olofsson	SWE
Member at Large:	Konrad Rotermund	USA
TD Repres:	Iain Mackay	GBR
JWG Chairman:	Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN

Aerials Advisory Group

Chairman:	Michel Roth	SUI
Members:	Dennis Capicik	CAN
	Konrad Rotermund	USA
	Tina Tanaka	JPN
	Steve Dong	CHN
	Dmitriy Kavunov	RUS
	Enver Ablaev	UKR

4.5 Sub-Committee Snowboard Alpine

Report Cesare Pisoni (ITA) – Chairman Sub-Committee Snowboard Alpine

It was a really productive and collaborative meeting. We have a solid calendar with good and smart format race that can valorize even "Gender Equity".

Next season with 17 competitions confirmed, it's the demonstration how Alpine SB is growing his appeal around the world.

We must work on the quality of the events and increase the visibility of our point of strength connected with the possibility to ride the courses in the best way for the athletes.

There was some complains about Snowboard World Championship in Park City USA because the way the OC managed Alpine SB Competition.

About Youth with the help of J-Sak Foundation Christian Galler presented the Junior FIS Cup (see: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/IQFe1Be6WKCCpjU>) held on the Alps during last winter with a successful participation of youth athletes coming from several nations, another demonstration of the good direction where SB Alpine is going for the future.

The Provisional Minutes for the meeting can be found here:
<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/3y5Uy3MpFm1tvcn>

4.6 Rules Advisory Group Report

Stefano Arnold (BRA) thanked Chris Robinson (CAN) who could not attend the meeting and recognized Guido Van Meel (SUI) for his contribution.

He went on to describe the so-called tree structure and the applications to the various groups.

All books will have 200, 2000 and event chapters and were asked to get approved until today and also to get confirmed as such today by the SBFSFK Committee.

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Other groups supported the work including Swiss Timing, GSS, FIS, IT Department, Kathrin Hostettler, Chairman of the Committees.

17 books are being worked on.

The Chairman thanked Stefano and all involved in managing the development and presentation of the New ICR Project and having the faith and perseverance to meet extremely challenging deadlines.

SB FS FK New ICR Project

- Goal: Harmonization between Snowboard, Freestyle and Freeski rules. The first step being a single harmonized SBFSFK ICR with the 200 Chapter, with the harmonization of the previous 2000/3000 common Chapters into a consolidated 2000 Chapter and the New Harmonized event Chapters for Cross, Park & Pipe and Snowboard Alpine to be implemented in the season 2019-20. Aerials/Moguls will be implemented for the season 2020-21.

- New Harmonized 2000 Chapter includes harmonization of Competition Officials, Jury, TD Licences/Education, Protest procedures amongst others. The Event Chapters now include the harmonization of formats, specific Officials, competition procedures, tiebreaking rules, number of judges amongst others.
- A new template (the “tree”) was created to provide a common structure to all the Event Chapters, including the Event specific rules transferred from the former 2000 and 3000 Chapters.
- A more user-friendly approach with limited repetitions, simplified wording and improved clarity was achieved.
- The harmonization of the correct gate passage in the Cross Events.
Common definition of the number of qualification heats in Snowboard Cross and Ski Cross without timed qualification runs.
- Alignment of Course Specifications for Cross and Snowboard Alpine Events.
- Common judging systems and the number of Judges for Park and Pipe Events.
- The harmonization of heat assignments between Snowboard and Freeski Events.
- The harmonization of competition formats for Park and Pipe Events
- Draft of a common Judges’ Handbook for Park & Pipe.
- Structural alignment of the various Snowboard Alpine Event Chapters.
- The changes necessary to the Aerials/Moguls Event Rules have all been identified and much of the work has been completed.

New Rule Proposals

Stefano Arnold also informed about the following:

55 Proposals Received

30 Postponed to ZRH Fall Meetings (on of those withdrawn in CRO)

01 Withdrawn

02 Considered with # 40

22 Accepted for Dubrovnik

01 Withdrawn

01 Not Approved

01 Approved for implementation at the ZRH Fall Meetings

19 Approved

The Event Sub-Committees recommend for approval by the SBFSFK Committee the following Rule Change Proposals:

8, #9, # 16, # 20(a), # 20(b), # 21, #, 23, # 24, # 40, # 41,
47, # 48, # 49, # 50, # 51, #, 52, # 71, # 79 and # 80

The Rules Advisory Groups recommends for approval the New Harmonized 2000/3000 Chapter that received the 2000 numbering.

The Park & Pipe Sub-Committee recommends for approval the New Harmonized P&P Event Chapter.

The Cross Sub-Committee recommends for approval the New Harmonized Cross Event Chapter.

The Alpine Snowboard Sub-Committee recommends for approval the New Alpine Snowboard Event Chapter.

Please also check appendix 2 "Information and Instructions SBFSFK Southern Hemisphere".

All proposals were carried unanimously by the Committee

Rules Advisory Group

Chairman:	Stefano Arnhold	BRA
Vice-Chairman:	Chris Robinson	CAN
Members:	Peter Krogoll	GER
	Iain Mackay	GBR
	Ben Wordsworth	AUS
	Sabine Wittner	AUT
	Guido van Meel	SUI
	Michael Spencer	USA
	Ola Sundekvist	SWE

4.7 Technical Delegate Advisory Group Report

Technical Delegate Advisory Group

Chairman:	Peter Krogoll	GER
Members:	Iain Mackay	GBR
	Markus Malsiner	ITA
	Ted Martin	USA
	Guido van Meel	SUI
	Martijn Oostdijk	NED
	Hans-Peter Pilz	AUT
	Jim Hemlin	CAN

Peter Krogoll presented a report.

The new ICR project will be a progressive support for the work of the Technical Delegates at combined events. It is the goal that most of the current licensed TDs will get a combined license to cover a wider spectrum of the FIS events. Due to that the existing article of the ICR was reviewed to give a better description about the education and the pathway to a new TD license and combined licenses. The new ICR will be the main topic at the TD Updates and Clinics this year.

It was again recognized that the Technical Delegates invest a lot of private money and time to get their licenses and to be updated every year.

One goal will be to offer more one-day Updates in various regions to keep the travel and accommodation costs for the individual Technical Delegates as low as possible.

More information and education material will be posted at the FIS platform.

The daily fee for the work as a Technical Delegate must be reviewed. This fee hasn't been changed for many years and doesn't reflect the work and the duties of a Technical Delegate at combined events. In North America the TD WG agreed on a raise of the fee to 175,- USD per day for Technical Delegates and in other FIS disciplines the daily fee will be raised to 150,- CHF. The AG will bring up a new proposal to the Zurich meeting.

Assigning Officials for upcoming major events will take the important general FIS goal of gender equity in consideration. Whenever possible more Women should be assigned to such positions.

Assignments confirmed by the TD AG:

YOG Lausanne 2020: Stefanie Hartl (GER) Cross Assistant Technical Delegate
 Klaus Walder (AUT) Cross Technical Advisor
 Urh Bulc (SLO) P&P Assistant Technical Delegate

WSC 2021 and OWG 2022: The WSC 2021 will be the official test event for the OWG 2022. The TDs and the assigned Officials should be the same for both events. The availability forms for both events will be send out as soon as possible. The assignments will be done at the Zurich meeting

WC and WJC: The availability forms for the WC will be sent out as soon as possible after the final confirmation of the WC calendars. The assignments will be done at the Zurich meeting.

International TD Clinics and Updates:

August 2019	Update	AUS/NZL
5th October 2019	Update All	Zurich (SUI)
18-20 October 2019	Cross, Park&Pipe, MOAE,	Park City (USA)
25-27 Oct 2019	Update All	Tokyo (JPN)
October 2019	Update All	CAN (East and West)
October 2019	Cross, Park&Pipe, MOAE,	tbd (RUS)
October 2019	Cross, Park&Pipe	Innsbruck (AUT)
October 2019	Cross, Park&Pipe, MOAE,	Maribor (SLO)
November 2019	Cross, Park&Pipe, MOAE,	Beijing (CHN)
15–17 November 2019	Cross, Park&Pipe, MOAE,	Annecy (FRA)
22-24 November 2019	Update All	Oslo (NOR)

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4.8 Moguls/Aerials Judges Advisory Group Report

Chairman:	Tina Tanaka Sundekvist	JPN
Members:	Ian Hutchings	CAN
	Scott Lounsbury	USA
	John Buhler	CAN
	Marion Kohly	FRA
	Kirill Kruchok	BLR
	Zhaoyi Qiu	CHN
	Zoe Jaboor	AUS
	MO AG:	Matt Gnoza
AE AG	Michel Roth	SUI
Member at Large:	Walt Hiltner	AUS

Congratulations to the whole team during the WSC since the conditions were particularly difficult.

4.9 Park and Pipe Judges Advisory Group Report

Ola Sundekvist (SWE) presented a report. Selection of the judges for the 2021 WCS which will be the same as for the 2022 Olympic Games.

It is necessary for the nations to train and educate their own judges in order to decrease costs and create a healthier system.

He suggested an increase the per-diems for the Judges as well. It will be on the agenda for the main committee in Zurich.

It has been a long process to prepare and combine Snowboard and Freeski into one "Judges Handbook" (JHB). The outcome is very good information that judges would need for their task as judges. JHB has now been approved as a "draft" and will be updated more after next FIS meeting in Zurich.

JHB will be distributed both as a printed copy on judges' clinic and be able to download as normal on the Document Library inside of FIS.

In the JHB, the Judges Criteria, Considerations, Philosophy, Ethics, Code of Conduct and Judging Procedure common to both Freeski and Snowboard have been developed and updated with feedback from coaches and nations throughout the 2019 WC Season.

Park & Pipe Judges Advisory Group:

Chairman:	Ola Sundekvist	SWE
Vice-Chairman	Steele Spence	USA
Members:	Matt Jennings	USA
	Marcello Centurione	CAN
	Sandy Macdonald	CAN
	Iztok Sumatic	SLO
	Jason Arens	USA
	Ole-Kirstian Stroem	NOR
	Chiho Takao	JPN
	Philippe Belanger	CAN
	Markus Betschart	SUI
	David Ortlieb	SUI

The JAG has continually worked to educate judges around the globe to create consistent, qualified and reliable judges. However, at this moment it is still difficult to fill judging panels given the many competitions with available judges.

Reasons can be many, but one thing that we addressed in Dubrovnik was: Payments for Judges. We must make it attractive to become and act as a Judge or as an FIS official on any event. **One point that we must ask Nations is: Educate more Judges for Park & Pipe!**

With new systems for quotas to World Cups, CoC becomes more important and we must secure the level of judges to these CoC's.

For the Snowboard Judges education, Thinkific Web Education Platform was developed and used during 2018. Judges appointed to WC had a "must", to attend and do the designated judges exercises on the Education Platform. For upcoming years, we would like to continue with the Web education and utilize the platform for Freeski and Freestyle as well.

As normal, we produce Judges Education materials for our International Clinics. These video materials could also be used for National Clinics as it has been done in previous years for Snowboard and it has been possible to download all materials

International Judges Clinics 2019:

Snowboard:

- 26-29 Sep Sarajevo BIH
- 10-12 Oct Park City USA
- Nov (TBA) JPN
- Nov (TBA) CHN

Freeski:

- 28-29 Sep Innsbruck AUT
- 6-7 Oct Annecy FRA (tentative)
- 10-13 Oct Park City USA
- TBA Oct Eastern Canada (Quebec or Montreal)
- 6-7 Nov Beijing CHN (tentative)
- 9-10 Nov Tokyo JPN

4.10 Course Builder Clinics

See presentation from the two Clinics in Sterzing (ITA) 19th – 21st October 2018 and in Genting Park (CHN) 13th – 15th December, 2018 here:
<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/3y5Uy3MpFm1tvcn>

Proposed Clinics 2019:

October 2019: Slopestyle & Big Air VS Terrain Park - Prinoth
March 2020: China - Chogli
TBD: USA or CAN - location to be defined
TBD: Russia - Krasnojarsk or Rosa Khutor

Subject to a budget allocation the above clinics will be staged.

4.11 Sub-Committee for SB FS FK Youth & Children's Questions Report

Report Denis Giger (SUI) Chairman

Thanks to all the Members of the Sub-Committee

Junior World Championships

- Revised Rules for the Organisation of Junior World Championships
- Allows the splitting of Events - If it is not possible to organise the entire programme the WJC might be split into following groups:
 - Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Big Air
 - Cross and Parallel Snowboard
 - Moguls and Aerials

It is well possible that the Nations will be encouraged by this new system to organise at least one of this event groups. Furthermore, a six-year planning of the WJC can be approached by FIS.

Competition Review of Season 18/19

- Halfpipe in Leysin (SUI)
- Cross in Reiteralm (AUT)
- SB Alpine in Rogla (SLO)
- SS and BA in Kläppen (SWE)

Junior Level Events

- Now that the Quotas at World Cup Level are being tightened..
- An increase in athletes at the Continental Cup level is predictable.
- Also predictable is the need to concentrate more on the Grassroots. I think it is important to activate the Level of FIS JUNIOR and FIS Race Events within each NSA.
- Austria is setting a good example
 - They have been organising the so called «FIS Junior Cup»
 - For the past two years in Snowboard Alpine
 - Thanks to Austria for the presentation and pushing forward on this topic

FIS SnowSafe

- Presentation about Safeguarding Athletes from Harassment and Abuse
- Implementation in the NSA and disciplines

Autumn Meetings in Zürich

- Again we will have Knowledge exchange
- Best Practice Examples will be prepared by the Members
- Focus on Grassroots Levels Competition

FIS Youth Seminar

- 1st October 2019
- Topic: Nutrition
- several speakers will be invited

World Snow Day

- 19th January 2020

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4.12 FIS Information and Staff Reports

Changes in the Global Fees for World Cup Competitions

After a detailed review of the past two seasons costs for officials (TDs and Judges) the FIS management has determined that an increase in the Global Fees (CHF amounts) is needed.

It was also determined that a standardised system is needed between the Ski and Snowboard Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Big Air events. This means that the Global Fee will include the Technical Delegates costs.

For the season 2019/20 the Fees are as follows:

Event	Freestyle	Snowboard	Freestyle/Snowboard combined
AE (no change)	15'000.00		
MO	16'000.00		
MO/AE	16'000.00		
BA	15'000.00	15'000.00	26'000.00
HP	15'000.00	15'000.00	26'000.00
SS	17'500.00	17'500.00	31'000.00
BA/HP	15'000.00	15'000.00	26'000.00
BA/SS	17'500.00	17'500.00	31'000.00
HP/SS	17'500.00	17'500.00	31'000.00
SX/SBX	10'000.00	-	10'000.00

Joseph Fitzgerald (Moguls and Aerials)

Some seasons are dominated by major events, either World Championships or Olympic Games and this last season was no exception.

The competitions in Deer Valley were again very special. Deer Valley has graciously hosted not only the 2002 Olympic Winter Games, but now three World Championships; 2003, 2011 and these in 2019.

The Deer Valley World Cup competitions are a highlight any season and were one of the main highlights of the Championships. There was a very good spectator turnout particularly for the mogul and the dual mogul competition on the weekend.

Our competitions continually show that the events are very well constructed, well defined, can be run in very difficult environmental conditions (snow / wind). All the while, they provide very exceptionally high quality winter sport entertainment product. This is self-evident with the reaction of the fans, the distribution of TV rights and the audience ratings.

This is due to the dedication and strength of the teams, coaches, athletes, officials and organisers that have a collective will to get things done, to work in one direction and to overcome most challenges.

It was an abbreviated season with these World Championships taking up one of our key organisers with Deer Valley.

At the end of the season, I received remarks both from the Mogul and the Aerial groups that the season was quite well put together and the organisers worked out very well. This included new locations such as Shymbulak in Almaty, Kazakhstan. Another strength is that we have a consistent group of knowledgeable and experienced organisers, from Deer Valley, Ruka, Lake Tazawako, Minsk, Thaiwoo, Calgary and Moscow.

The Dual Mogul event continues to excite anyone that's ever seen it. Immediately they are converted into a winter sports enthusiast and skiing fans. The head-to-head format, the constant risk of missing jumps, missing turns and the ever present action as the competitors charge toward the finish. There is little or no comparison to this in single mogul or aerial.

The high emotional content goes through the roof, then the scene some absolutely spectacular performances by some of the skiers. Particularly notable, with an exceptional display of performance was the, when "in trouble do a double" jump from Diachi Hara (JPN). Not only is it spectacular watch from the finish area, the viral nature of social media turned it into a "I can't believe that happened" moment'. Almost 4 million views of this video have been seen since the first week in February.

There has been some very detailed work done in aerials to further develop Measurement of Performance using video analysis motion capture (MOCAP) and Artificial Intelligence (AI). High Definition video was collected during the WC and WSC. There are quite a few steps needed to digitalize the jumps and then compare them with the judges scores. Some interesting digital work has been done in China by Microsoft Asia. More is needed in this interesting area.

We have lost an annual classical location of Lake Placid (USA) given that the United States Ski Association has taken a new direction concerning one of their other disciplines. We hope that they will reconsider, since the 2023 University Games are to be held there.

As for the upcoming season, this is contrasted with some rather strong developments as we continue to have new organizing committees and new competition locations in Georgia and Russia.

Over many years, there's been a growth that has expanded outside of the base of North America, first into central and northern Europe. There was a second expansion to Japan and Russia. A third development is now underway in Asia which is linking Europe to Asia via Georgia, Russia and Kazakhstan.

Global developments are reflected our development. The Chinese trade development of "One Belt One Road" or what I call the "Silk Ski Run" or maybe as it has become "many runs and many lifts". This follows the mountains and snow from Europe to China. This has been worked on for many seasons and the links are being firmed up.

While working through the present situation from, Bakuriani Georgia, to Krasnoyarsk Russia, to Shymbulak in Almaty Kazakhstan and then into Zhangjiakou China and over to Japan we have a whole set of competitions leading into the 2021, 2023 and 2025 World Championships and 2022 Olympic Winter Games.

The number of competitions and competitors is quite stable in both events and there are slight and continual increases in new locations, new nations and new competitors joining to hosting FIS competitions.

Uwe Beier (Snowboard Cross and Snowboard Alpine)

For Alpine Snowboard the season 2018/2019 was, again, an intensive one with many competitions on considerable highly satisfying level.

This has been the feedback from basically our various stakeholders. Television partners, such as right holders or broadcasters, organisers, spectators and last but not least the sports main protagonists, our athletes.

We were facing the usual ups and downs, some weather etc. It is also the nature of sport that there will always be things to be improved, the next level to be envisioned in order to raise the level of our events and their perception. We saw most of our slopes providing outstanding course quality resulting in fair competitions for our athletes. World class elite sport of the 100% participation of the best of this sport, a high quality international standard TV product and entertaining sport for fans, "screen" viewers as well as live on site spectators.

The World Cup calendar listed 9 tour stops, 14 World Cup races, 25 competitions over both genders hosted in 8 different countries.

The TV figures are expected to be very satisfactory, but not available as of today. CHF 600.000 prize money could get awarded to the athletes of this season.

The natural season highlight, the World Championships in Park City USA had its challenges. Strong winds and heavy snow fall made it difficult for all stakeholders to prepare and perform on the standard that we are originally aiming for.

It has to be well evaluated what would have to be modified to conduct not only a major joint event as the combined SBFSFK World Championships, but still keep it feasible for future organisers to host it as a real highlight event as it is made for. It seems the dimension of the complexity is overburdening the organisers.

At the end our vision for this event, in terms of standard and level being the most important event "owned" by the FIS have to match the possibilities and expectations of the hosting organisers and vice versa.

Regardless, the good TV figures seem to still exceed the expectations. The Parallel Giant Slalom event for example was measured the 3rd most watched competition of the WSC, regardless the fact that the event dates during the week and the challenging time zone given the main target market in Europe.

The Junior World Championships in Rogla organised by our long term experienced OC was run on the expected high level and well received.

Goals and challenges for the next and future seasons will be to keep the number of WC stops on this consistent level, but an ongoing increase of the quality. The same would be valid for the other event levels notably the Continental Cup competitions.

The formats are set, which is part of the success. New technology is in the pipeline to improve the viewers experience watching our sport.

Enough remaining to aim for...

Roby Moresi (Park and Pipe)

The 2018/2019 season started in August 2018 with a combined SB/FK event in New Zealand and finished at the end of March 2019 in Silvaplana with the last Freeski Slopestyle event, 8 months of World Cup activities.

During the season the cooperation and level of trust with teams is very well established which allows for efficient and dynamic activities and changes where needed. Continuous interaction with athletes in both genders is set in order to collect information on what can be improved and where adjustments are needed.

The relationship is friendly and professional at the same time, which creates a great atmosphere to work in and this is connected even to all the event organisers whom appreciate such situation.

The **WC calendar** consisted of:

- 4 Snowboard BA
- 3 Freeski BA
- 5 Snowboard HP
- 4 Freeski HP
- 5 Snowboard SS
- 5 Freeski SS
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In total 26 (52 between men and women) World Cups in 14 different locations, 8 different nations. As the season started a few events got cancelled due to economical reasons:

- FRA Tignes Freeski HP
- NOR Oslo FK/SB BA
- CAN Quebec FK/SB SS

Out of the 14 locations 3 hosted for their first time a World Cup:

- Modena BA
- Genting Secret Garden SS
- Calgary HP

The first times are never easy for anybody and I would like to thank such Organisers and resorts for the tremendous efforts put on the field to accomplish such results.

11 locations/organisers respected and managed to follow the preliminary schedules without impacting the announced TV times. 3 locations (Mammoth, Font Romeu, Stubai) due to weather conditions had to modify their schedules in order to be able to complete their events.

During this past season the weather was pretty unstable and changed quickly forcing most organisers to react quickly by adding more work to there already intense tasks. In particular where schedules are tight and weather is a high risk factor there is a need to adjust future programs and schedules.

Despite challenging conditions all World Cup Globes in all events for both genders where awarded confirming the positive trends of events conducted in the past seasons.

Courses:

The majority of the courses proved to be adequate for the level of the World Cup tour. A few course/slopes require revisiting and improvements as well as the look and feel needs to be stepped up in order to present a better product.

From a safety perspective athletes are the number 1 priority and the build of the courses kept in mind both performances as well as the show that needs to be displayed. Not

always it's accomplishable to build courses that accommodate the best competitors as well as the last performing competitors.

Injury rates are not increasing, actually decreasing in all P&P events. As example seen the number of tricks performed during a Slopestyle and Halfpipe event (average of 12000) the injuries are really irrelevant, max 1-2. Still every situation where an injury occurs needs to be understood and where possible eliminate such possibilities.

TV and distribution:

The tight cooperation with both Infront and IBU at an international level proves to be successful by bring added value to the televised events and increase in audience shares.

By running for several years events in the same resorts, with the same organisers and same TV production companies the quality of the feeds have significantly improved and are starting to reflect in a better way where we should be going. The dynamic environment still requires a lot of work and integration between the different stakeholders in order to increase the capacity to deliver a better and up to par product.

Key note from International rights holders is still the fact the shorter final competition formats are still more appealing than longer ones.

The continuous work with the same TV production companies and directors is bringing good flows and processes to the events easing the efforts in delivering final products. There is still a need to work on run downs, graphic packages and how to create several types of products that could be distributed shortly after the event is over.

(Detailed data can be found in the respective rights holders reports).

Social Media:

This area is in continuous expansion and reaches increase day by day showing that a big portion of the fan base are connected to such tools. (Social media presentations are available).

Video review system:

For the first time, thanks to the strong cooperation with our Data Service Company GSS, this season saw the implementation of the video review system which proved to be a tool of great importance. It assists the important work of the judges' panels and most panels used it and in a short time frame mastered the system. By adding such tool several rules and regulations needed to be found in order to facilitate the correct use of it.

New BA format for qualification:

For the first time in a BA event a new qualification format was used. The 3 run qualification format. This format is the same format that is used for finals but applied to qualifications. 3 Jumps and the best 2 different jumps count.

As a first time the competitors and teams liked it but with it, came some complications. We executed 1 full heat of 26 men (78 jumps) and except a couple of ambiguity but all went well and scores worked well To be keep in mind is that there is a need for more time, both during the training session in order to allow competitors to train for performing 2 tricks instead of only 1 and then that for the qualifications itself a whole other run needs to be executed.

Time could be the only issue with this format but it was received well this first try.

Data Service:

Our data service provider did an amazing job following all events and when it came down to all finals, the events went smooth and there were no major errors or glitches. At the back end consistent improvements and updates where applied. The staff is very professional and cooperative.

Judges/Technical Delegates:

All events where we attend and FIS staff wise no major issues surfaced. As usual the judges' area is a delicate one as it affects directly the outcome of the event. All head judges and judges did their job appropriately and were available to teams for clarifications. Not always agreed upon the outcome of the events but from a general perspective the majority worked out well results wise.

We combined the FK/SB Judges rules in regards to accommodation and there needs to be more attention in transportation and lodging. This was done to assist organisers but at the same time a proper treatment needs to be guaranteed to the judges.

There is a certain level of frustration in regards to per diems for the judges and this was raised several times during this season and during the past seasons.

I would like to share my thanks to all Judges and TDs that assisted the P&P WC tour with their services and thank also Ola, Steele and David Ortlieb for assisting in many matters and logistical areas.

Note to teams

Entries need to be done in a timely matter especially for the upcoming season as quotas will be reduced and there will be limited field sizes at all events.

It's important that teams and nations participate in all events in order to keep them relevant and strong. This is the case for HP events where entries and participation are decreasing. Every event we have, has it's importance and needs to be treated consequently otherwise there are chances of losing events.

Jean-Pierre Baralo (Cross) and Uwe Beier (Snowboard Cross)

Having started in May of last year with new objectives to achieve, here are a few comments and information about how the year went:

Our objectives were:

- Reduction of injuries (mostly in SX since SBX had a better record outside of the OG) has been achieved in a way that exceeded our expectations.
- Initiate the coordination between SX and SBX
- Bring a scientific approach to course building and Cross in general

Additionally, for only the SBX, the calendar unfortunately became again a challenging topic last season.

Compared to the spring calendar there occurred some withdraws over the summer 2018, mainly due to economical and/or political reasons (Russia, Turkey) and the cancellation of Montafon due to the lack of snow. There were only 4 stops with 6 WC competitions left, plus 2 at the World Championships

Injuries

Our injury record just shows 3 skiers injured for the season with normal healing times and normal & good prospects of coming back to skiing.

There was one additional injury in the women but the racer skied some part of the season in spite of her injury.

In SBX there was a low injury rate, but we had fewer issues already, with the exception of the OWG

As a comparison some facts from 17-18

- 100% of the Women between rank 21 and 32 were injured at some point
- Olympic Injury number.

1. Courses

We lost Val Thorens and Montafon because of lack of snow and had three sets of courses in SX this year. In SBX we lost Montafon due to the lack of snow and Felberg Team event due to the strong wind:

- The traditional ones adapted to our new goals: Innichen, Idre, Sunny Valley, Blue Mountain
- The courses common to SX and SBX: Solitude, Feldberg and Veysonnaz
- The courses where no cancellation was allowed: Arosa

Generally, the traditional ones were considered good in racing but too small in jumps in spite of the adaptations that everyone liked.

There were some snow limitations because of the slow season start (Innichen, Idre, Blue Mountain) and Sunny Valley was adapted to our new goals but a bit too conservative.

In SBX there was a difficult start of the season with the course in Cervinia. Due to the general circumstances and as the course would be the first of the season the plan was a rather conservative course in terms of sizes and the amount of technical features. Due to the heavy snowfall, wind and also snow cat technical problem the course turned out slightly not technical enough. The one or the other passage would get added some features and the course to have more air time overall.

The other courses were generally well to very well perceived. Overall courses at the end of the season we believe we are on the right path to establish a range of courses that reflect a mix of;

- variety in terms of sizes, technical elements and features
- safe courses, that are still allowing for interesting performance on an adequate sportive level
- are adaptable in an efficient and balanced way to the local circumstances and prerequisites

The common courses were more difficult:

- Solitude had some design issues (too fast and straight, not technical enough)
Ok for SBX, besides the fact that the type of turns was not balanced (goofy/regular)
- Feldberg was difficult to adapt between SBX and SX because of rising temperatures (+13°C)
Good average in terms of sizes and technical challenges course for SBX
- Veysonnaz which was the course that in fact worked the best between SX and SBX but still needs some adaptations.

On the positive side, generally we tried to play on line and speed variations to increase passings. There were a very large number of photo finishes and passings on many courses.

2. Coordination Between SBX & SX

The goals are quite simple:

- Increased safety and learn from each other
- Allow OCs to host both events once they have invested in a cross course (not necessarily at the same time)
- Ensure the sport's development.

- The coordination was initiated first inside FIS with an increased coordination between SBX Race Director and Cross Race Director
- Common set of inspections and decisions, each RD trying to find solutions acceptable for the other.
- Clear identification of things that don't work together and trying to solve them.

Obviously, this new direction comes with surprises and sometimes resistance from both parties.

But the long term goal is about the survival and development of the sport and we can only see that everyone agrees about this. The ways to achieve these goals need to be discussed, explained and adopted by all.

3. Bring Science To Cross

A scientific approach on all aspects of the sport:

- Course Building: understand the physics of the sport, the pre requisite.
We had a very good Course Building Seminar at Prinoth this past fall and learned a lot about all aspects:
One simple fact we learned: increasing speed over 60 km/h on take offs increases the landing zones between men and women by 37%!
- We used full digitalization this past year in replication of a course in Innichen (ITA) trying to help control budgets with new technologies and we used 30 per cent less snow and around 50 per cent less budding time (with an experienced and trained driver)
- Medical Study financed by IOC and FIS which started in Veysonnaz: understand all the factors that can lead to injuries: physical condition, biomechanics, course influence, speed, etc...

4. The Challenges Ahead

Next year in a non Olympic and non WSC year we will have 16 races and 11 locations. This will increase to 17 and 12 the following year, putting more strain on teams financially and increasing potential injuries for the athletes.

The Calendar situation for SBX improved to currently 8 tour stops and 11 races. The goal of 8-10 stops and 10-14 (SBX/BXT) races aiming for quality over quantity, would remain.

We need to reduce the number of races and try to start thinking about solutions such as single races, alternating races (once every other year), considering efforts made by NSA and OCs and concentrate on hosting better World Cups:

- Bring new features to courses for renewal
- Increased media presence and coverage, improved TV production.
- More even hosting capacities, comfort of work for teams.
- Increase the party around the World Cups to translate to local public
- Allow the OCs to host both Cross events if they wish so
- Continue the scientific approach for increased safety, reduced footprint, better efficiency.

We look forward to doing this with you all in the coming years.

Chairman's Comment

The Chairman, Dean Gosper, commented that the harmonisation of SX and SBX had presented some of the more difficult challenges for our Disciplines. To some extent, this has arisen due to differing understandings, interpretations and expectations of what

constitutes “Harmonisation”. On reflection, it has been determined that “Collaboration” might be a better description of the objective. A paper re-stating the nature of collaboration is to be prepared.

4.13 Marketing Report

No presentation or report was provided during the meeting.

See Nielsen report FIS SB/FS WSC 2019 Park City, USA

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/BiRpJSz4ZUnIR0Y>

4.14 Communications Report

FIS was proud that just before the 2018/2019 World Championship season, IT re-launched its official website, which was a major milestone during the last season.

Together with FIS IT, the communications department worked in conjunction with Omnigon to relaunch the FIS website. The new version offers the user a more visual experience and one-stop shopping for both the casual ski fan and most involved FIS stakeholder. A particular emphasis has been put on live events, which drives traffic, in addition to a richer visual experience for the user.

FIS has worked over the last several seasons with Infront to feed all of its social media channels with near-live highlights, weekly previews and Behind the Scenes series. This video content has been the top-viewed material on all FIS digital platforms, often garnering six-digit views per video clip. The Behind the Scenes series has been particularly important in the promotion of our sport as it allows FIS to highlight individual athletes and give them a platform to be featured. The collaboration with Infront continues to evolve and FIS is fortunate to have a partner so engaged in ensuring FIS’ digital success.

Staying relevant on Social Media is an always evolving prospect as platforms and user’s tastes change on almost a quarterly basis. Additionally, platforms such as Facebook are now a pay for play platform, meaning that organisations such as FIS must invest money to be seen in user’s newsfeeds. Instagram has enjoyed the most progression, thanks in large part to its integration of video in the channel. Meanwhile Twitter continues to be more of channel to share strictly news, as the engagement rate on the platform is very low, and often quite negative, due to the anonymity that the platform provides its users.

Despite the challenges, Social Media platforms are the primary way to directly reach the fan base and engage them in direct communication. Facebook, Instagram and Twitter have remained the key communication tools for FIS across all its disciplines. Through the use of short video clips, quality photographs and engaging stories, FIS has been able to grow its fan base across all its social media channels to more than 1,000,000 followers.

Finally, FIS is happy to report that live streaming of events that do not have pre-existing rights packages has dramatically risen (Europa Cup, Telemark, Junior World Championships, etc.). This has given a new voice to our non-World Cup events and introduced these athletes and competitions to an entirely new fan base.

Numbers have shown that the most successful live streams do not need to be high-level productions, but most important is that they are offered free to viewers as most people are still not willing to pay per view. It also allows for traditional news channels to show the highlights of big milestones giving these disciplines maximum exposure. For example, when Alpine Skiing athlete Nicole Schmidhofer beat the Speed Skiing World Record this last spring it was picked up by major news outlets across the world, which would not have been possible without the initial streaming investment.

See also the report that was done during the meeting:
<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/CeLwhEprm13jpw>

ITEM 5

Athlete Representatives Report

5.1 Athletes Report

Elections for the FIS Athletes' Commission were held this winter during the different FIS World Championships.

FIS Council on 2nd June 2019 in Cavtat-Dubrovnik (CRO) confirmed the below athletes.

Freestyle Skiing women: Hannah Kearney (USA) Moguls
Freestyle Skiing men: Alex Fiva (SUI) Ski Cross
Snowboard women: Liu Jiayu (CHN) Halfpipe
Snowboard men: Alexander Payer (AUT) Parallel

Alex Payer introduced himself as the successor of Konstantin Schad in the role of the Athletes Representative.

Coming from Snowboard Alpine he pointed out the improvement over the last years in terms of event quality and number of events.

Report Hanna Kearney (USA)

The FIS Athletes' Commission submitted a proposal to the Council, which is relevant to the SB FS FK Committee. One member of the Athletes' Commission will now have a formal seat at the table of all sport-specific committees and sub-committees to give the athlete the same rights as the ordinary members from the nations. An athlete representative will be present at the autumn technical meetings as well.

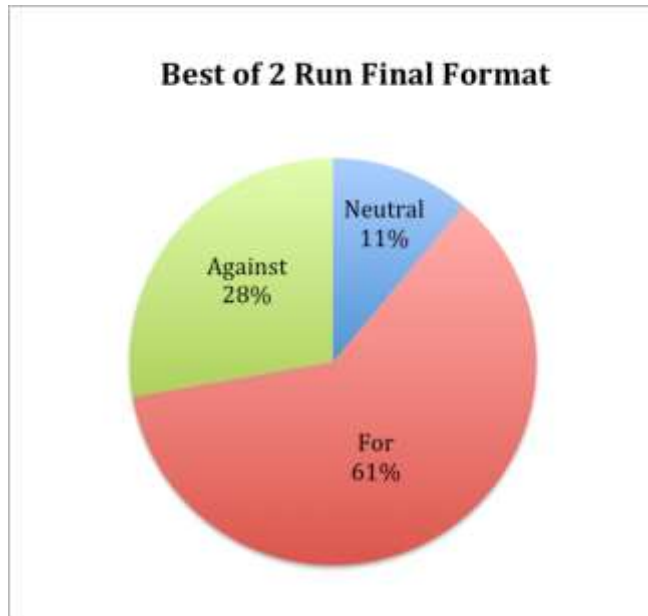
Aerial athletes are thrilled about the edition of the Mixed Team event at World Championships and the next Olympic Games. They appreciate the addition of city events to the World Cup calendar.

Freeski athletes had some concerns about cancelled events due to bad weather and packed schedules but are grateful for the Big Air event at the next Olympics.

Mogul athletes are desperate for dual moguls to be included in the Olympic Games and they urge the sub-committee to propose the event. Dual moguls is a good fit because an existing venue can be used, and the organizers do not need additional beds in the village because the athletes, judges, and coaches are the same as single moguls. Plus, Dual moguls could fit within the existing days scheduled on the venue, and since the

television viewership for single moguls is already incredibly strong, dual moguls would be a beneficial addition to the Games for all stakeholders.

Mogul athletes are also interested in trying a best of 2 run final format, similar to freeski events. They believe this format would enable them to try more difficult jumps and progress the sport. When polled, 54 mogul athletes from 13 countries responded like this:



Report Alexander Payer (AUT):

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The Athletes of the SBX declined five Topics that have to be discussed and recognized. These Topics have been:

- 1) Bank-turns have to be a key Element of all SBX Courses.
- 2) More Obstacles to minimize Wind Shadow Riding
- 3) If someone is to blame for a crash it has to be punished as a foul
- 4) Need of a Tour Sponsor to get more competitions back on the Calendar.
- 5) Testing: Athletes have to be taken serious if they have issues after the course testing

The Athletes of Alpine Snowboard brought in four new Rules for the World Cup season 2019/20

- 1) Resetting the course after Qualification if the difference between the courses is over 1%
- 2) To give the Voice of the Athletes a better platform the Connection Coach should be part of the Jury
- 3) Randomise the Course-setter like in alpine ski
- 4) Incline a Prize Money sheet with taxes and expenses.

Upcoming thoughts for the next Meeting:

- 1) Increase of the Prize Money by at least 10%
- 2) Media Coordinator just for alpine Snowboard
- 3) Photographer for all World Cups

Report from the Athletes for the SX Season 2018/2019 – Alex Fiva (SUI)

In Sunny Valley on 20.02.2019 we had an Athletes meeting with the following representatives:

Australia, Kennedy-Sim / Austria, Wahrstötter / Canada, Leman/ Czech Republic, Kucerova /France, Chapuis / Germany, Eckert / Great Britain, Davis / Japan, Sugai / Slovenia, Flisar / Sweden, Anderson / Switzerland, Fiva / USA, Wallasch

Season recap

It was a big disappointment that the first three races were cancelled and there was no replacement found during the season. We had the feeling there was not enough effort made to find a replacement. What locations were contacted by the Race Director for replacement?

There was a lot of discussion about the season. Most of the athletes are not happy in the direction our sport going. The courses were too easy, so the skiing was more aggressive with too many cards shown.

We did an event by event discussion with pros and cons as well a general overview of the season with different topics as logistics, track and events comments.

LOGISTICS

- Tight international schedules. If there is a race for example in Feldberg, followed by Russia. Would there be a possibility of a charter flight? This would save time and energy for the athletes.
- FIS to assist LOC in visa application process - many nations had issues with Russian visas this year in the lead up to the event, including the day of arrival.
- Consider companion Sprint races for some destinations (ie city events- Moscow post Sunny Valley? Same with Sweden, Canada ect) to make travel more worthwhile.

GENERAL TRACK COMMENTS

- More variety in start sections and tracks year to year. It should not be that you can check out the video from the past year and see all the passing options on the same elements.
- Encourage creativity for builders. We like to be surprised by new elements they create. The better Athletes who figured out the faster should win the race.
- Increase in difficulty to separate and potentially have less red yellow cards. More challenging. More diversity.
- SBX/ SX overlapping schedules do not work. Tracks too, SBX should follow SX, if we must share facilities.
- Course setting...set gates to utilize bank turns
- Don't compromise on track difficulty to save dollars.
- Do we need to set specifications/precisions for sprint events? What does a sprint race mean? (Highly technical, should still be difficult even if short). Otherwise, they shorten down the courses to save money.

EVENT COMMENTS

- Scheduling over the Holidays. Capitalize on crowds and TV exposure. Places where hotels are down in the valley and not in the ski region.
- More night races! Idre, Innichen and Sunny Valley are good possibilities
- For double races. The general Program should be one training day. Two quali day.

- 64/32 in sprint races no Quali... pre qualify based on WCSL or WC rank? Quali is too tight for sprint races.
- Limit sprint events to a two day program.

Additional after meeting in Veysonnaz

- Planning of Mix Team events in the Cross Alps Tour and at normal World Cup. So we would like to know how many single race we will lose for those mix Team Events.

Possible Proposal

- Qualifying starting order. Two pots. 1- 8 random and 9-16 random. Top people are closer together. Less weather or snow change in the top group.

EVENT BY EVENT REVIEW

Discussion on each World Cup race about the positives and negatives in terms on course and Organization.

For the World Championships in Solitude we have not found any positive point. There was just a big disappointment about the race. This should have been our biggest and imported race of the year. But it was just a really big disappointment for our sport. It was just not at a level of a World Championships.

ITEM 6

Strategic Direction and Action Discussion

6.1 Goals

Given the heavy focus of Committee Members and others on the New ICR Project, it was agreed to postpone discussion of Discipline Goals.

However, the opportunity was taken to revisit the Vision, Mission and Values of the Disciplines. There was also discussion regarding the success of the new committee structure we now all worked under. There was general endorsement of these new arrangements along with a reminder of the importance of unity to avoid a risk of fragmentation by virtue of the sub-committee diversity.

A copy of the presentation can be found here:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/Bv5qbwAGaye10L>

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/rWtwK0YUmOINnAN>

6.2 Other

Media Rights

The Chairman gave a presentation on the structural challenges of World Cup media rights ownership and its impact on the exposure and therefore the value of our Events.

It was recognised that any change in the arrangements and contracts would require the long-term vision of and collaboration by FIS, the NSA's and the broadcast partners.

A copy of the presentation can be found here.

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/A39mTGUGHMvOtMW>

World Championships Format

To recap, the two disciplines World Championships were combined into one World Championship starting in 2015 for Kreischberg (AUT). The goal was increase the combination of resources, course and media presents. The next two additions were Sierra Nevada 2017 and Park City 2019 was the latest examples. A bid and now a candidate has been approved for Krasnoyarsk (RUS).

Regarding the most recent World Championships in Park City, there were several remarks about the quality of some of the venues and that a 'feeling' was missing. There was a weather event that occurred that dominated many of the competitions and perhaps this dampened the experience. There were four separated competition venues and each had a different level of organization. Some competitions were not held and cancelled.

There has been considerable increase in television exposure and media communications with the combination of the competitions. This is also created one of the larger FIS World Championships in terms of numbers of participants and events held during the two-week timeframe. Technically, the event is the largest ski and snowboard competitions ever held and is larger than the on-snow component of the Olympic Winter Games in terms of numbers of events.

There was considerable discussion regarding the size and format of the combined Discipline World Championships. The conversation was in the context of a considerable future commitment and interest in the hosting of the combined event potentially through until 2027.

Some points made.

- Given the broad geographic diversity of interest in our events, a single venue LOC would always be carrying the sponsorship of some events (eg Parallel Alpine in USA)
- Need to avoid cherry picking by hosts. Reference was made to the JWC selection methodology.
- An excellent test event for OWG's hosts.
- Schedule coordination would allow venue splitting but a coordinated broadcast.

ITEM 7

Presentations

7.1 World Cup Calendars

7.1.1 Process

The 19/20 competition calendars were presented in the last meetings in the fall of 2019 and then approved by the FIS Council in their meeting in November 2019.

Work is been done by the race directors to reconfirm the competitions with the organizers and the national associations.

A draft 2020/21 calendar has been produced and it has been enclosed here for review and further details will be done coming into the fall meeting. The dominant competition in 2021 is the world championships.

7.1.2 Season 2019/2020

FIS MOGUL AND AERIAL WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2019/2020

Date	Day	Site	NAT	MO	AE	Notes
December 19						
07.	Sat	Ruka	FIN	07		
14.-15.	Sat-Sun	Thaiwoo	CHN	14/15		MO/DM
21.-22	Sat-Sun	Shimao Lotus Mountain	CHN		21/22/22*	*AET mixed
January 20						
18.	Sat	St. Petersburg	RUS		18	TBD
25.	Sat	Moscow	RUS		25	
25.	Sat	Tremblant	CAN	25		
February 20						
01.	Sat	Calgary	CAN	01		
06.-08.	Thu-Sat	Deer Valley	USA	06/08	07	MO/DM
15.	Sat	Tbilisi	GEO		15	
22.	Sat	Minsk	BLR		22	
22.-23	Sat-Sun	Tazawako	JPN	22/23		MO/DM
29.-01.	Sat-Sun	Shymbulak	KAZ	01	29	DM
March 20						
07.-08.	Sat-Sun	Krasnoyarsk	RUS	08	07	
14.-15.	Sat-Sun	Idre Fjäll	SWE	14/15		MO/DM
Locations 14 / Nations 10/ Competitions 45				13/13	09/09/01*	

SNOWBOARD CROSS FIS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2019/20
AUDI FIS SKI CROSS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2019/20

Date	Day	Site	NAT	SBX	SBX Team	SX	Note	
December 19								
06.-07.	Fri-Sat	Val Thorens	FRA			05-06/07		
12.-14.	Thu-Sun	Montafon	AUT	12-13		12-14		
17.	Wed	Arosa	SUI			17	Sprint	
20.-21.	Fri-Sat	Cervinia	ITA	20-21				
20.-22.	Fri-Sun	Innichen	ITA			20-21/22		
January 20								
09.-11.	Thu-Sat	Bad Gastein	AUT	09-10	11		*Mixed	
17.-18.	Fri-Sat	Nakiska	CAN			17-18		
24.-26.	Fri-Sun	Idre Fjäll	SWE			24-25/26		
24.-26.	Fri-Sun	Big White	CAN	24-25	26*		*Mixed	
31.-01.	Sat-Sat	Megève	FRA			31-01		
February 20								
31.-02.	Sat-Sun	Feldberg	GER	31-01	02*		*Mixed	
07.-09.	Fri-Sun	Feldberg	GER			07-08/09		
22.-23.	Sat-Sun	Sunny Valley	RUS			22-23		
28.-01.	Thu-Sun	Secret Garden	CHN	28-29		28-01		
March 20								
06.-07.	Fri-Sat	Sierra Nevada	ESP	06-07				
13.-15.	Fri-Sun	Veysonnaz	SUI	13-15		14	Season Final	
Locations 16 / Nations 10 / Competitions 49					08/08	03	15/15	

Note: 1) 10 = 10th Quali+Final date, 2) 09-11 = 09th Qu - 11th Fin date, 3) 09/11 = 09 Qu+Fin/11 Qu+Fin, 4) 09-11/12 = 09thQu-11th Fin/ 12 Fin dates)

ALPINE SNOWBOARD FIS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2019/2020

Date	Day	Site	NAT	PGS	PGS Team	PSL	PSL Team	Note
December 19								
07.-08.	Sat-Sun	Bannoye	RUS	07		08		
14.	Sat	Cortina	ITA	14				
19.	Thu	Carezza	ITA	19				
January 20								
04.-05.	Sat-Sun	Lackenhof	AUT	04	05			
11.	Sat	Scuol	SUI	11				
14.-15.	Fri-Sat	Bad Gastein	AUT			14*	15	*Night Event
18.	Sat-Sun	Rogla	SLO	18				
25.-26.	Sat-Sun	Piancavallo	ITA			25	26	
February 20								
22.-23.	Sat-Sun	Peyongchang	KOR	22/23				
29.-01.	Sat-Sun	Blue Mountain	CAN	29		01		
March 20								
14.-15.	Sat-Sun	Winterberg	GER			14	15	
Locations 11 / Nations 8 / Competitions 32				09/09	01	05/05	03	

FREESKI / SNOWBOARD PARK AND PIPE FIS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2019/2020

Date	Day	Site	NAT	Freeski			Snowboard			Notes
				HP	SS	BA	HP	SS	BA	
August 19										
24.-25.	Sat-Sun	Cardrona	NZL							24-25
September 19										
06.-07.	Fri-Sat	Cardrona	NZL	06-07						
November 19										
02.-03.	Sat-Sun	Modena	ITA			03*				02*
21.-23.	Thu-Sat	Stubai	AUT		21-22-23					
28.-30.	Thu-Sat	Beijing	CHN			28-30				29-30
December 19										
11.-14.	Wed-Sat	Copper Mt.	USA	11-13			12-14			
18.-21.	Wed-Sat	Secret Garden	CHN	18-20			19-21			
19.-21.	Thu-Sat	TBD	USA				19-21			20-21 TBC
January 20										
03.-04.	Fri-Sat	Dusseldorf	GER			03*				04*
09.-11.	Thu-Sat	Font Romeu	FRA		09-10-11					
13.-18.	Mon-Sat	Laax	SUI				14-18	13-17		
18.-19.	Sat-Sun	Seiseralm	ITA		18-19					
22.-23.	Wed-Thu	Seiseralm	ITA					22-23		
February 20										
29.-01.	Wed-Sat	Mammoth	USA	29-30*	30-01		30-01*	29-31		HP TBC
12.-16.	Wed-Sun	Calgary	CAN	12-14	13-15		13-15	14-16		
28.-29.	Fri-Sat	Destne	CZE			28-29				TBC
March 20										
20.-21.	Thu-Sat	Spindleruv	CZE					20-21		
19.-21.	Thu-Sat	Silvaplana	SUI		19-20-21					
Locations 16 / Nations 11 / Competitions 58				04/04	06/06	05/05	04/04	05/05	05/05	

Note: * Night Finals
 **Events to still be handled

7.1.3 Drafts Season 2020/2021

DRAFT 1 - FIS MOGUL AND AERIAL WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2020/2021

Date	Day	Site	NAT	MO	AE	Notes	
December 20							
05.-06.	Sat-Sun	Airolo	SUI	05	06		
12.	Sat	Ruka	FIN	12			
12.-13.	Sat-Sun	Tbd	CHN		12/13/13*	*Mixed Team	
19.-20.	Sat-Sun	Thaiwoo	CHN	19/20		MO/DM	
January 21							
07.-09.	Thu-Sat	Deer Valley	USA	07/09	08	MO/DM	
16.	Sat	St. Petersburg	RUS		16		
23.	Sat	Moscow	RUS		23		
23.	Sat	Calgary	CAN	23			
31.	Sat	Tremblant	CAN	31			
February 21							
06.	Sat	Bakuriani	GEO	06			
13.	Sat	Minsk	BLR		13		
18.-27.	Thu-Sun	Zhangjiakou	CHN	19/21	24-27	MO/DM – WSC	
March 21							
06.-07.	Sat-Sun	Tazawako	JPN	06/07		MO/DM	
13.-14.	Sat-Sun	Shymbulak	KAZ	14	13		
20.-21.	Sat-Sun	Krasnoyarsk	RUS	21	20		
Locations 13 / Nations 10 / Competitions 45					13/13	09/09/01*	

DRAFT 1 - SNOWBOARD CROSS FIS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2020/21
AUDI FIS SKI CROSS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2020/21

Date	Day	Site	NAT	SBX	SBX Team	SX	Note	
December 20								
10.-12.	Thu-Sat	Val Thorens	FRA			10-11/12	TBD Night event	
11.-13.	Fri-Sun	Montafon	AUT	11-12	13			
15.	Tue	Arosa	SUI			15		
18.-19.	Fri-Sat	Cervinia	ITA	18-19				
18.-20.	Fri-Sun	Innichen	ITA			18-19/20		
January 21								
09.	Sat	TBD	AUT			09	TBC	
15.-17.	Fri-Sun	Idre	SWE			15-16/17		
22.-24.	Fri-Sun	Big White	CAN	22-23	24			
29.-31.	Fri-Sun	Feldberg	GER			29-30/31		
29.-31.	Fri-Sun	Bakuriani	GEO	29-30	31			
February 21								
05.-07.	Fri-Sun	Feldberg	GER	05-06	07			
07.	Sun	Bakuriani	GEO			07		
13.-14.	Sat-Sun	Dolni Morava	CZE	12-13	14			
18.-28.	Thu-Sat	Zhangjiakou	CHN	20	21	18		
March 21								
05.-06.	Fri-Sat	Baqueira Beret	ESP	05-06			05-06/07 12-14	
05.-07.	Fri-Sun	Sunney Valley	RUS					
11.-14.	Thu-Sun	Veysonnaz	SUI	11-13				
Locations 16 / Nations 11 / Competitions 49					08/08	05	14/14	

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DRAFT 1 – ALPINE SNOWBOARD FIS WORLD CUP CALENDAR 2020/2021

Date	Day	Site	NAT	PGS	PGS Team	PSL	PSL Team	Note	
December 20									
12.	Sat	Cortina	ITA	12					
17.	Thu	Carezza	ITA	17					
January 21									
04.-05.	Mon-Die	Berchtesgaden	GER			04	05	TBC	
09.-10.	Sat-Sun	Bad Gastein	AUT			09	10		
16.	Sat	Rogla	SLO	16					
22.-24.	Fri-Sun	Piancavallo	ITA	22/24					
February 21									
06.-07.	Sat-Sun	Moscow	RUS			06	07	TBC	
13.-14.	Sat-Sun	Pyeongchang	KOR	13/14					
18.-28.	Thu-Sat	Zhangjiakou	CHN	26			28		
March 2									
06.-07.	Sat-Sun	Blue Mountain	CAN	06	07			Date TBD	
13.	Sat	Scuol	SUI	13					
20.-21.	Sat-Sun	Winterberg	GER			20	21		
Locations 11 / Nations 8 / Competitions 31					09/09	01	04/04	04	

**DRAFT 1 FREESKI / SNOWBOARD PARK AND PIPE FIS WORLD CUP
CALENDAR 2020/2021**

Date	Day	Site	NAT	Freeski			Snowboard			Note
				HP	SS	BA	HP	SS	BA	
August 20 TBC	Sat-Sun	Cardrona	NZL		TBC	TBC	TBC		TBC	
September 20 TBC	Fri-Sat	Cardrona	NZL	TBC				TBC		
November 20 TBC	Sat-Sun	Modena	ITA			TBC				TBC
TBC	Sat-Sun	Budapest	HUN			TBC				TBC
TBC	Thu-Sat	Stubai	AUT		TBC					
TBC	Fri-Sat	Dusseldorf	GER			TBC				TBC
December 20 TBC	Thu-Sat	Beijing	CHN			TBC				TBC
TBC	Wed-Sat	Copper Mt.	USA	TBC			TBC			
January 21 TBC	Thu-Sat	Font Romeu	FRA		TBC					
TBC	Wed-Sat	Laax	SUI				TBC	TBC		
TBC	Fri-Sat	Seiseralm	ITA		TBC					
TBC	Tue-Wed	Seiseralm	ITA						TBC	
February 21 TBC	Fri-Mon	Mammoth	USA	TBC	TBC		TBC	TBC		
TBC	Fri-Mon	Calgary	CAN	TBC	TBC		TBC	TBC		
TBC	Fri-Mon	TBD	JAN	TBC			TBC			
18.-28.	Tue-Sun	Zhangjiakou	CHN	21	23	27	20	22	27	WSC
March 21 TBC	Sat-Sun	Silvaplana	SUI		TBC				TBC	
TBC	Thu-Sun	Quebec	CAN			TBC			TBC	
Locations / Nations / Competitions					05/05	07/07	06/06	06/06	06/06	06/06

Note: * Night Finals
**Events to still be handled

7.1.4 Long-term Calendar Planning

During Summer, FIS will send out requests to NSAs to review and revise their long-term calendar plans.

Details from this activity will be reported on in the fall.

7.2 World Championships

All the presentations have been done on Monday, 28th May, 2019.

7.2.1 2019 Junior World Championships

Christian Galler (AUT) and Sabine Wittner (AUT) gave a short report from the Cross WJC 2019 in Reiteralm (AUT) which they organised within a short notice because Rogla (SLO) could not to it due to not enough snow.

See report here: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/Ys2mwkZpueUiAwx>

General comment from Peter Krogoll to the other WJCs 2019- it was hard this year. SUI jumped in with Leysin (SUI) for Ski and Snowboard Halfpipe. He thanks also Reiteralm (AUT) and Rogla (SLO) as well as Kläppen (SWE).

Reinhard Krampf reported about the WJC in Chiesa in Valmalenco (ITA) that organised for the 6th time the WJC for MO, DM and AE event together with the Ticino Organisers.

7.2.2 Park City 2019, USA

Eric Webster and Lindsay Arnold presented during the meeting and thanked Calum Clark who is not anymore working with USSA and all other involved parties such as FIS, athletes, coaches sponsors etc.

The presentation can be downloaded here:
<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/nCHBFc28BgeWIUS>

7.2.3 Junior World Championships 2020

7.2.4 Zhangjiakou 2021, CHN

Yanzhi AN gave a presentation during the meeting. The presentation can be downloaded here: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/nCHBFc28BgeWIUS>

Preliminary Programme for the FIS Freestyle Ski and Snowboard World Championships Zhangjiakou/Genting Resort (CHN), 18th – 28th February 2021.

Thursday, February 18	14:00 local / 07:00 cet	Ski Cross Finals
Friday, February 19	19:00 local / 12:00 cet	Mogul Finals*
Saturday, February 20	11:00 local / 04:00 cet	Snowboard Halfpipe Finals
	14:00 local / 07:00 cet	Snowboard Cross Finals
Sunday, February 21	11:00 local / 04:00 cet	Ski Halfpipe Final
	14:00 local / 07:00 cet	Snowboard Cross Mixed Team
	19:00 local / 12:00 cet	Dual Mogul Finals*
Monday, February 22	13:00 local / 06:00 cet	Snowboard Slopestyle Finals
Tuesday, February 23	13:00 local / 06:00 cet	Ski Slopestyle Finals
Wednesday, February 24		
Thursday, February 25		
Friday, February 26	14:00 local / 07:00 cet	Parallel Giant Slalom Finals
	19:00 local / 12:00 cet	Aerial Finals*
Saturday, February 27	16:30 local / 09:30 cet	Ski Big Air Finals
	20:00 local / 09:30 cet	Snowboard Big Air Finals*
Sunday, February 28	14:00 local / 07:00 cet	Parallel Slalom Finals
	18:30 local / 11:30 cet	Aerial Mixed Teams Finals*

* *Night competitions*

starting times to be confirmed

7.2.5 Bakuriani 2023, GEO

Levan Metreveli (GEO) presented during the meeting.

See the presentation here: <https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/GdQKJVs4ZkC7nlb>

7.2.6 Bids and Application Process 2025

FIS is pleased to announce the receipt of one application to be Candidate for the organisation of the FIS Freestyle Ski and Snowboard World Championships in 2025. By the May 1st 2019 deadline:

- One application for the 2025 FIS Freestyle, Snowboard & Freeski World Championship submitted by Krasnoyarsk (RUS)

The FIS Council will elect the Organisers of the FIS World Championships 2025 at the 52nd International Ski Congress in Royal Cliff (THA). During the FIS Congress week, each Candidate will have a chance to present their candidatures to the extended FIS family and discuss their plans from their exhibition stands. They will also describe their World Championship visions to the respective Technical Committees, before the final presentation to the FIS Council during the Congress week.

7.3 Olympic Winter Games

7.3.1 Beijing 2022, CHN

Peng Zhang, Sport Manager presented during the meeting. The presentation can be downloaded here:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/70XiowYl3JKhDwt>

7.3.2 Interests and Process 2026

The Organisers of the Olympic Winter Games in 2026 will be elected on 24th June 2019 during the IOC Session in Lausanne (SUI), between Italy with Milan/Cortina d'Ampezzo and Sweden with Stockholm/Åre.

Both Candidates are traditional annual Organisers of FIS World Cup as well as also recent and/or upcoming FIS World Championships and Italy and Sweden are active leading nations fielding teams in all the FIS disciplines.

In mid-March and early April, the IOC Evaluation Commission visited the two Candidates, firstly Sweden, then Italy. The Commission will collate all the information gathered to produce a report that accurately reflects the reality on the ground as an objective basis for the IOC members to make their decision in the Host City Election.

FIS Council Member Roman Kumpost is the NOC representative in the Evaluation Commission.

On 7th May 2019 the two Candidates will make their official presentations to the Association of International Olympic Winter Sport Federations, organised by the IOC, at the General Assembly during SportAccord.

7.4 Youth Olympic Games

7.4.1 YOG 2020 Lausanne, SUI

There was no presentation during the meetings in Dubrovnik. The next presentation will take place during the fall meetings in Zürich.

The Qualification Criteria and Quotas can be found here:

<https://data.fis-ski.com/special/winter-youth-olympic-games-quotas-information.html>

The progress report that was sent to the FIS Council can be found here:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/3bEWkDjxxeAI8TR>

7.4.2 Events on the YOG Programme

Excerpt FIS Council Short Summary Oberhofen (SUI), November 2018

The Council acknowledged the support of the Snowboard Freestyle and Freeski Committee for the inclusion of all of the Olympic Winter Games events on to the future programme of the Youth Olympic Winter Games, which would involve adding moguls, aerials and parallel giant slalom. The composition of the programme is however a decision of the IOC. In accordance with Olympic Agenda 2020 the programme will also be determined by existing facilities and courses in order to minimise the requirements and costs of the YOG.

7.5 Other Presentations

Joseph Fitzgerald provided presentation about competition statistics Freestyle Ski, Freeski and Snowboard, season 2018/19.

The presentation can also be found here:

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/70XiowYI3JKhDwt>

Competitions and Entry Statistics FIS Ski and Snowboard Events Groups Season 2018/2019

What we do is subset of the global activities in snowsports. To put things in perspective;

In 2019, there is a Global Population of 7,264,700,000, with some Skiers*; 127,661,000 riding some 25,995 lifts. In 2018, there are 356,798,000 skier visits at 5,711 Ski Areas (*International Report on Snow & Mountain Tourism - Laurent Vanat Vanat.ch)

Here are some summaries of all **Competitions and Entries** of all Skiing and Snowboarding FIS competitions held on the FIS Calendar during **Season 2018/19**.

The information comes results that have been collected from the **FIS Database**.

There are tables broken down by: Nation where the competitions were held, **Location**, **Number of Competitors**, **Nations**, **Gender** that entered the competitions based upon the **Level of Competitions**.

The information is contrasted to the Ski Resort global market and compared to other FIS Disciplines.

Events have been combined by **Disciplines, Course, Event Groups, Gender** and **Location**.

As a process, National Associations enter competitions into the FIS Data at the start of every season. They also confirm that competitor status; to **Active**.

The competitions are held and if run according to the rules, the **TD confirm** that it counts for FIS Points; Last season;

- **1462** Competitions were held
- **52%** Men's Competitions / **48%** Ladies Competitions
- **40** Hosted Nations
- **33,312** individual results counted for **FIS Points**
- 46% Ski Competitions / 54% Snowboard Competitions
- **Alpine Snowboard** Events with **25%** / **24 Nations** / **265 Competitions**
- **Park and Pipe** Events with **36%** / **36 Nations** / **565 Competitions**
- **Mogul Aerial** Events with **18%** / **17 Nations** / **229 Competitions**
- **Cross** Events with **21%** / **20 Nations** / **403 Competitions**

If the competitions is not **cancelled** and held according to the rules, it can be be **confirmed by the TD** and the **results** sent to the FIS Office.

The result can be electronically transferred with an **XML code** and then verified and uploaded on the **FIS Database**.

Based upon the **entries** and **level of the competition**, **FIS points** are applied to the results and a competitor's profile is update and a result page produced.

Here is a summary of these **Results** and **FIS Points**.

- **33,312** Ladies and Men's **results** counted for **FIS Points**
- **215** Locations hosted competitions
- **63 nations** participated in the system, with **50 nations** in **Ladies** and **62 nations** in **Men**
- Ladies account for **32% (10,831)** of the results and Men account for **67% (22,481)**
- **Team competitions** account for **0.6%** of the results
- Between the **4 Event groups** the **FIS Points** are distributed; **Cross** has **32%**, **Alpine Snowboard 20%**, **Moguls Aerials 18%** and **Park and Pipe 31%**

7.5.1 Presentation FIS Points adaptation & WC Points (Guido van Meel)

Guido van Meel does a presentation - shows report from Hugues Mercier.

<https://cloud.fis-ski.com/index.php/s/k0i4DsqrKvKycmb>

Based upon some remarks concerning the FIS points system which has been in place for 25 years, FIS staff from the IT department and others had met several times to review the situation. Based upon this, FIS had secured the support of a mathematician Hugues Mercier PhD (Institutes of Computer Science and Mathematics, Université de Neuchâtel). Dr. Mercier had previously worked with the FIG – the international Gymnastics Federation on developing their points system and the judges' evaluation. After one meeting, it was agreed to have him review a formula prepared by Guido van Meel.

He also reviewed the data base of competition results and this is further to the work of Joseph Fitzgerald who created summaries of all of the different entries in all of the competitions last season.

One issue with the present FIS points system, is that when the numbers of participants are quite low the present system awards a level of points which are perhaps not in line with the skill level. This was the major points coming from Guido van Meel.

Given all the information, Dr. Mercier had prepared a report and delivered it to the FIS IT Department, Guido van Meel and Joseph Fitzgerald.

He had simplified the van Meel formula, so the different variables can be worked on dependently. He indicated that much of the work can be simplified and this ought to be all parties to understand how the system works.

The FIS IT department indicated that formula would be used along with the present formula and that in a transparent way to systems can be reviewed and compared. This will be implemented this coming season and a decision could be taken in one year to accept the use of the revised formula. If this is not done then the next time the system could be adjusted at reviewed would be in the spring of 2022.

Summary Report of FIS Points and Entry Information Season 2018/2019

Please find enclosed some summary statistics.

	Competitions	Competitions %	FIS Points %
Women	644	48.24%	32.31%
Men	691	51.76%	67.06%
	1335		

Numbers of FIS points distributed/numbers of entries **33,312**

Numbers of women competitions **644 or 48.24%**

Numbers of men's competitions **691 or 51.76%**

Numbers of women competition entries that received points **32.31%** numbers of men's competitions that received points **67.06%**

Number of Ranked Competitors entered into Competitions 2018/19

Competitions Entries	More than 30	More than 20	More than 10	More than 5	with 1 to 3
# of Competitions	438	668	1,020	1,214	92
% of Competitions	32.81%	50.04%	76.40%	90.94%	0.28%
Competitors with points	20,166	25,794	31,291	32,833	479
Competitors points %	60.54%	77.43%	93.93%	98.56%	1.44%

Over half of the competitions have more than **20 entries** and of those competitions **77% of all the competitors** get FIS points.

Over **75%** of the competitions have **more than 10 competitors** and this accounts for **94% of the FIS points** distributed.

Around **1%** of the competitors are in competitions with less than five competitors and according to the rules they receive no FIS unless three of the **5** competitors.

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Other Business

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Next Meetings

- Zurich (SUI) 01.-05.10.2019
- FIS Congress in Royal Cliff (THA) 17.-23.05.2020

More information will be soon available here:

<https://www.fis-ski.com/en/inside-fis/about-fis/meetings/spring-meetings>