
FIS COMPETITION FACTS

e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping

Outstanding Gregor Schlierenzauer wins in Planica

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Gregor Schlierenzauer from Austria won the e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Flying competition in Planica (SLO) today.

Schlierenzauer performed outstanding and received 447 points for his 232.5 and 225 meter jumps.

On the second place finished Janne Ahonen from Finland (427.8 points / 212.5 and 221.5 meters) ahead of Norwegian Bjoern-Einar Romoeren (420.6 points / 209.5 and 216 meters)

Statements:

.Gregor Schlierenzauer (AUT): "I'm just in a good shape at the moment, everything works great. Skiflying is a different ligue and I do really enjoy this. The improvement of the Austrian Record with my first jump today means a lot to me, this was an absolutely cool flight".

Janne Ahonen (FIN):"I'm really satisfied with the 2nd place today. Especially my2nd jump was good. After the first round I was worried a little that Tom Hilde would pass me in the world cup overall..."

Björn-Einar Romoeren (NOR): "Of course I am satisfied with my 3rd place today. But I was not jumping as I hoped to do, this was not the kind of Planica jumping I would like to do.I will try to do that tomorrow, let's see."

Behind the e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping overall winner Thomas Morgenstern (1780 points, place 19 today), Gregor Schlierenzauer sealed the second place in the e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping overall with1461 points today.Third ranked Janne Ahonen from Finland has with 1246 points no chance to catch Schlierenzauer up in the final individual competition on Sunday.

Pictures:

Please note that high quality action and podium pictures from today's competitions are available for purchase through the Internet portal offered by Nordic Focus, FIS Partner for photos from the Nordic Disciplines, at www.nordicfocus.com

All results in detail can be found on <http://www.fis-ski.com/>

Kind regards

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