

## **Welcome to the 2016 FIS FREESTYLE SKI WORLD CUP in Tazawako Akita**

Dear Freestyle Skiing Friends,

It is our pleasure to invite all National Associations to attend the 2016 FIS Freestyle Ski World Cups on February 27th and February 28th, 2016 in Tazawako AKITA, JAPAN. The Organizing Committee will host the event in accordance with the International Ski Competition Rules (ICR) of the International Ski Federation (FIS).

Rich in natural beauty, Akita Prefecture is located in northeastern Japan, roughly 450 kilometers and about an hour flight from Tokyo. Akita is a regional city with good public order and an abundance of nature. I am sure that the land of beauty and people who are simple and peaceful in Akita will attract you. We will welcome and support you with hospitality for your optimal performance.

The competition will be held on the course "Kuromoriyama" (Black forest mountain). Also, one portion of the course is named the "Bear's Bed" locally because bears take naps in the middle of the slope during the summer and enjoy the cool in the shade of trees. We look forward to watching your wonderful performance with bears.

Please find the team information below.

We look forward to welcoming you to Tazawako and Akita with hospitality .

Best Regards,

Kenichiro Sato  
Chairman  
Ski Association of Akita  
2016 FIS FREESTYLE SKI WORLD CUP in Tazawako Akita

## Team Invitation

### 1. ENTRIES

Entries will be accepted from National Ski Associations following FIS quotas and rules.

### DEADLINES

January 18, 2016 : \_\_\_\_\_ Provisional Team Entries (including athletes and officials)

February 17, 2016 : \_\_\_\_\_ Confirmation of the final number of the team (include travel info)

Entries will only be accepted via the FIS on-line registration system. Please access the online registration system through the FIS Homepage <http://www.fis-ski.com / Member Section>".

FIS has established Nation Quotas for World Cup. National Ski Teams can only enter World Cup Ski Competitors according to the Quota limitations.

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### 2. REGISTRATION

Team registration will take place on February 24 and 25, 2016 from 9am to 5pm at the Race Office, on the 1st floor at the Hotel Komagatake Grand Hotel.

### 3. ACCOMMODATION

Accommodations with FIS rates for athletes and officials during the competition days are provided as follows;

KOMAGATAKE GRAND HOTEL  
2-30, Mt. Komagatake,  
Tazawako-obonai, Senboku-shi,  
Akita 014-1201 JAPAN  
TEL: +81-187-46-2211

For the nights of: **February 24 - February28 (Five nights)**

Room with Two beds

With Breakfast and Dinner

As per the FIS Rule on accommodations, each participant will pay the Organizing Committee the Japanese YEN equivalent of CHF50 (JPY 6,248.5) per day. The FIS Rule on accommodations is not applied in any accommodations other than the Komagatake Grand Hotel.

Payment for your accommodations required with accepted credit card or cash.

Accepted cards: VISA, American Express, MasterCard or JCB.

Early arrivals and late departures are subject to availability and are not subject to the FIS rate.

Each team will be held responsible for any damage incurred during its stay.

Extras must be paid by the teams or athletes themselves directly to the hotel.

Freestyle Skiing WC Rule 4.4: One single room per country will be provided. An additional single room would be at the rate at CHF 100 (JPY 12,497) per day.

#### **4. TRANSPORTATION**

We strongly recommend that you fly into **the Akita Airport**, the nearest airport to the Tazawako Ski Resort.

<Free Chartered Bus from the Akita Airport to the hotel by OC>

The Organizing Committee will provide chartered bus between the Akita Airport and the Komagatake Grand Hotel for free for teams. Approx. travel time: 90 min. However, according to flight schedule, you will have to wait at the airport for a while. We'd like to ask for your cooperation.

In case you choose other transportation options, please make sure to inform the Organizing Committee.

<FLIGHTS>

I. Domestic flights are available from the following airports daily;

**HANEDA Tokyo International Airport**

**CHUBU Centrair International Airport NAGOYA**

<http://www.akita-airport.com/en/flight/index.html>

#### **5. BIBS**

All competitors must wear bibs during all official training, competition and award ceremonies.



## **6. ACCIDENT INSURANCE**

Each competitor must carry his/her own medical insurance. The Organizing Committee, sponsors, suppliers, their agents, city of Semboku, Akita Prefecture, FIS and Ski Association of Japan assume no responsibility for accidents, damage or loss of equipment's, and second and third party claims during the event.

## **7. LIABILITY**

All athletes, officials and other members of the National Association who attend or participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. The Organizing Committee, city of Semboku, Akita prefecture, Ski Association of Japan, sponsors and suppliers, their agents, employees and volunteers shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by any athletes, officials or other persons in conjunction with the organizing or staging of the event.

All participants are urged not to be negligent in safeguarding their personal belongings at all times. The aforementioned parties will take no responsibility for missing belongings.

## **8. MEDICAL AND ANTI-DOPING**

Anti-doping control may be conducted for each event and gender.

## **9. MONEY EXCHANGE**

NO MONEY EXCHANGE AVILABLE at the Akita airport or hotels in Tazawako area.  
Please make sure to exchange money beforehand.

## **Contact and further information**

**2016 FIS Freestyle Ski WORLD CUP in Tazawako Akita**

**Organizing Committee**

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## COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Wednesday Feb. 24	9:00 – 17:00	Arrival and Registration	Racing Office, Komagatake Grand Hotel, 1F
	19:00 – 19:45	Mogul Team Captains Meeting	Meeting Room, komagatake Grand Hotel, 1F
Thursday Feb. 25	10:30 – 10:40	Mogul Inspection	
	10:40 – 10:45	Course Preparation	
	10:45 – 11:45	Mogul Training Session	
	11:45 – 11:55	Course Preparation	
	11:55 – 12:45	Mogul Training Session	
Friday Feb. 26	10:30 – 10:40	Mogul Inspection	
	10:40 – 10:45	Course Preparation	
	10:45 – 11:45	Mogul Training Session	
	11:45 – 11:55	Course Preparation	
	11:55 – 12:45	Mogul Training Session	
	17:30 – 18:00	Mogul Team Captains Meeting Draw	Meeting Room, komagatake Grand Hotel, 1F
	18:30 – 19:00	Opening Ceremony	Royal Hall Komagatake Grand Hotel, 2F
	19:00 – 20:30	Welcome Party	Royal Hall Komagatake Grand Hotel, 2F
Saturday Feb. 27	7:00	First on lift	
	8:00 – 8:10	Ladise' Inspection	
	8:10 – 8:15	Course Preparation	
	8:15 – 8:45	Ladise' Mogul Training	
	8:45 – 8:50	Course Preparation	
	8:50 – 9:30	Ladise' Qualifications	
	9:30 – 9:40	Course Preparation	
	9:40 – 9:55	Men's Inspection	
	9:55 – 10:25	Men's Mogul Training	
	10:25 – 10:55	Course Preparation	
	10:55 – 11:55	Men's Qualifications	
	11:55 – 12:10	Break	
	12:10 – 12:35	Ladise' and Men's Mogul Finalist Training	
	12:35 – 12:40	Break	
	12:40 – 12:50	Showcase	
	12:50 – 13:00	Course Preparation	
	13:00 – 13:25	Ladies' Mogul Finals(F1)(16)	

	13:25 – 13:50	Men's Mogul Finals(F1)(16)	
	13:50 – 13:55	Break	
	13:55 – 14:05	Ladies' Mogul Finals(F1)(6)	
	14:05 – 14:15	Men's Mogul Finals(F1)(6)	
	14:15 – 14:20	Awards Preparation	
	14:20 – 14:30	Awards	
	15:10 – 15:40	Press conference(Prizewinners)	Ski Center "Lela"
	17:30 – 18:00	Dual Mogul Team Captains Meeting Draw	Meeting Room, komagatake Grand Hotel, 1F
Sunday Feb. 28	8:30	First on lift	
	9:30 – 9:45	Ladies' and Men's Dual Mogul Inspection	
	9:45 – 9:55	Course Preparation	
	9:55 – 11:10	Ladies' and Men's Dual Mogul Training	
	11:10 – 11:30	Course Preparation	
	11:30 – 12:35	Ladies' and Men's Dual Mogul Prelim Rounds	
	12:35 – 13:00	Finals Preparation	
	13:00 – 14:15	Ladies' and Men's Dual Mogul Finals(16/16)	
	14:15 – 14:20	Awards Preparation	
	14:20 – 14:30	Awards	
	15:10 – 15:40	Press conference(Prizewinners)	Ski Center "Lela"
	19:00	Departure for the Akita airport	
Monday Feb. 29	10:00	Departure for the Akita airport	

※ The Schedule is subject to change.