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FIS Technical Committee Meetings at usual Zürich location

Around 350 delegates from 40 nations will be present when the Airport Hotel Hilton, conveniently situated just minutes from the International Airport, hosts the FIS Technical Committee Meetings from 29th September to 2nd October for the fourth consecutive time.

43 different committees, sub-committees, working groups and organisers meetings are convening, with a variety of issues on the agendas including short-term matters for the upcoming season as well as looking further ahead.

For each of the main discipline committees the finalisation of the 2006/2007 FIS World Cup calendars will be a main item in order to submit the proposals to the FIS Council for its meeting in November. Additionally of particular note in the Cross-Country Committee will be the final project for the Tour de Ski that debuts in 2006/2007. The main issue for the Ski Jumping Committee will be the evaluation of the new rules that were tested during the 2005 Summer Grand Prix. For the Nordic Combined Committee the main focus will be studying a proposal to the FIS Congress to introduce a 4th event at FIS Nordic World Ski Championships. As far as the Alpine Committee is concerned, the programme for the 2007 FIS Alpine World Ski Championships in Are (SWE) is a priority as well as considering new initiatives for the FIS World Cup calendars. Both the Freestyle and Snowboard Committee's agenda contains general business including FIS points and training of officials.

You may access the program for the FIS Technical Committee Meetings in Zurich through the member section of the FIS website <http://www.fis-ski.com/>

Fruitful FIS Nordic Combined TD Seminar in Pragelato (ITA) Pragelato (ITA), host of the Nordic competitions during the 2006 Olympic Winter Games in Turin, provided an appropriate setting when 45 Technical Delegates (of which 10 were new candidates) from 16 nations convened for a FIS Educational Seminar between 21st and 25th September in the resort.

The Nordic Combined TD Seminar is held every two years to allow established Technical Delegates to update their knowledge, discuss the implementation of new rules and exchange experiences. At the same time the seminar offers new candidates a chance to benefit from the extensive experience of current TDs who have already had the opportunity to work at FIS competitions. During the seminar new candidates were made familiar with issues in relation to infrastructure of event sites, security, course profiles, etc. and at the end of the seminar had to undergo an obligatory four-hour exam testing how much they had learned and their general knowledge of the Nordic Combined discipline. All participants went through practical exercises at the Olympic Ski Jumping venue and Cross-Country track at Pragelato.

Liechtenstein and Swiss Ski Federations extend perfect cooperation

The Liechtenstein Ski Federation and the Swiss Ski Federation have agreed to extend their successful co-operation for a further four years. The two parties represented by Liechtenstein Sports Minister, Klaus Tschütscher, SSV-President Duri Bezzola, LSV-President Georg Nigg, Swiss Ski Sports Director Gian Gilli and Swiss Alpine Chief, Klaus Büchel, met to sign the contract

in the Liechtenstein capital Vaduz on 16th September. This means that the two associations also in the future will work together in relation to setting up common training camps as well as developing their youth programs.

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Best regards

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