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**FIS MEDIA INFO****IOC Disciplinary Commission Decisions in cases of four Russian Cross Country Athletes**

FIS has received the verdicts of the IOC Disciplinary Commission in the remaining four cases against Cross-Country skiers Julia Ivanova, Evgenia Shapovalova, Alexey Petukhov and Maxim Vylegzhanin relating to the Sochi 2014 Olympic Winter Games.

Two of the six cases were decided by the IOC last week and both Alexander Legkov and Evgeniy Belov received sanctions for anti-doping rule violations. The decision can be found [here](#). The remaining four athletes also received sanctions and the full decision can be found [here](#).

Now that IOC has issued its verdict, all six cases will be reviewed by the FIS doping Panel.

The IOC's jurisdiction is restricted to the Olympic Games and it is up to the International Ski Federation (FIS) to determine the consequences of the findings of the IOC for the period outside the Games including the FIS World Cup and other FIS competitions.

The next steps will be the review by the FIS Doping Panel of the six verdicts upon the receipt of the reasoned decisions. The FIS Doping Panel will undertake the necessary steps within the competence of FIS, affording the athletes the right of due process with a personal hearing. The hearings and decisions of the FIS Doping Panel will take into consideration the impending FIS Cross-Country World Cup season which begins at the end of November 2017.

A further communiqué will be issued by FIS after the decisions of the FIS Doping Panel.

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**About FIS**

FIS is the governing body for international skiing and snowboarding, [founded in 1924](#) during the first Olympic Games in Chamonix, France. Recognised by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), FIS manages the Olympic disciplines of [Alpine Skiing](#), [Cross-Country Skiing](#), [Ski Jumping](#), [Nordic Combined](#), [Freestyle Skiing](#) and [Snowboarding](#), including setting the international competition rules. Through its 129 member nations, more than 7'000 FIS ski and snowboard competitions are staged annually. Specific initiatives are undertaken by FIS to promote snow activities as a healthy leisure recreation, [notably for the young](#). For more information, please visit [www.fis-ski.com](http://www.fis-ski.com)

