

OFFICIAL INVITATION

WELCOME!

Welcome to the NOKIA **Snowboard FIS World Cup on January 9 2005** in National Exhibition Center (Moscow).

Such unique event will be held in Russia for the first time in its history. The growing popularity of snowboarding in Russia will ensure the public and spectators attention. Packed tribunes are guaranteed.

Visit the capital of Russia – Moscow in January. You will not be left untouched by the views of its streets in winter, its magnificent heritage buildings. You will be convinced that it is rightfully named the capital of Russia, the country of great traditions.

Advanced modern city infrastructure will accommodate your every need and allow you to feel at home in Moscow.

The Organizing Committee and The Russian Ski & Snowboard Federation, will host the event in accordance with the International Ski Competition Rules (I.C.R.) of the FIS. All athletes who are qualified according the FIS rules for the Snowboard World Cup are invited to compete.

CHIEF OF COMPETITION

Denis Tichomirov

EVENT SCHEDULE* (see *detailed Schedule*)

Sunday, January 9th Big Air

PASSPORT AND VISA

Please fill in the visa-form and send it and a copy of your passport by **fax to +7 (095) 786-89-32** or email: info@msbf.ru. Your life in Your hand, please send us invitation as soon as possible.

The expiration date of your passport must be valid at least for six month at the time of planned departure from Russia. In the form you have to specify the address of the nearest (or the most convenient for you) Russian Embassy where you plan to obtain the visa. You can find the addresses of Russian Embassies at <http://www.russianembassy.net>. After the invitation for you is ready, the organizing committee will provide you with the number of the telex and specify the date when you can get your visa at the Embassy you have mentioned in the form.

ENTRIES

Entries will be accepted from national snowboard associations in accordance with qualification rules for the Snowboard World Cup.

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Last day for entries and Accommodation reservations is on **December 1 th 2004.**

- Announcement of Team Size: **01.12.2004**

- Definitive Registration: **29.12.2004**



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ACCOMMODATION

Please complete the accommodation form for all athletes & officials who will utilize the accommodation program and return by **December 1 th 2004 via fax to +7 (095) 786-8932** or email: info@msbf.ru and OC will coordinate all bookings. Information must be received from the teams by the set deadline **December 1 th 2004** to guarantee availability and the FIS rate.

Accommodation, in the hotel "Tourist", will be provided to athletes and coaches as per FIS rule for the NOKIA FIS World Cup and as per FIS Rule on accommodation and half board. Each participant will pay the Organizing Committee CHF 50/ day/ person. Accommodation at the FIS rate will be provided for the nights from January 6st to January 9th, 2005.

Hotel "Tourist"

17/2, Selskokhozyastvennaya str., Moscow, 129226, Russia

Reception: 7 (095) 187-70-45, 980-73-91 (24 hours)

Fax: 7 (095) 181-01-58, 980-73-98

<http://www.hotelturist.com>

Each National Association (Team) will be held responsible for any damage during the stay.

All payments must be in USD/EUR currency, money order and/or credit card. Payments must be made in full upon team captain check-in (competition/training bibs and lift tickets will not be issued to teams who have not paid in full).

MEALS

Breakfast and dinner will be provided, commencing with dinner on Tuesday January 6st and concluding with breakfast on Saturday 10th 2005. All meals will be served at hotel Tourist in Moscow unless otherwise is posted on the Official Notice Board.

ACCOMMODATION/MEAL PROGRAM CONTACT:

OC, E-mail: info@msbf.ru

BOARD STORAGE

Competitors, coaches and officials must store their boards and grooming equipment in places advised by the Organizing Committee. Boards will not be accepted in the rooms.

TRANSPORTATION

Ground transportation, at the expense of the OC, will be arranged from Sheremetjevo International airport (or other Moscow airports according transportation form) in Moscow. Transports will be arranged on the basis of the transportation form received from each team. The transportation form must be sent to the Organizing Committee before **December 29th, 2004**.

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PRIZE MONEY Total = 25,000 Euro

<i>Event</i>	<i>Men</i>
Big Air	25,000 Euro

All prize money will be paid out in US cash.

FIRST TEAM LEADERS MEETING

The first Team Captain's meeting will be held on Thursday, January 8th at 15:00.
All Team Captain's Meetings will take place in the hotel Tourist.

OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The official Notice Board will be located at the race office. All information will be posted at this location.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Every competitor must have his own medical insurance. The Organizing Committee, Sponsors, Suppliers, the NOKIA, FIS and the Russian Ski & Snowboard Federation decline any responsibility for accidents, damaged equipment, and second and third party claims during the event.

LIABILITY

All athletes, officials and other members of national associations who attend and participate in the event shall do so at their own risk. The Organizing Committee shall not be responsible for any losses or injuries incurred or suffered by an athlete, official or other person in conjunction with the organizing or staging of the event. All athletes must have previously signed the "FIS Athletes Declaration" form in order to register.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE/EVENT MANAGEMENT OFFICE

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We look forward to seeing you & your team in Moscow in this January!
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