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**e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping  
Competition Facts  
Engelberg (SUI)**



**In his 5th World Cup competition Jacobsen wins for the first time**

After the 2nd place the day before Anders Jacobsen was the great winner at the e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping competition on Sunday in Engelberg (SUI). The 21-year old Norwegian jumped 138 and 137,5 m and got the total score of 280,9 points for the first World Cup victory in his career. Second was the current World Cup leader from Switzerland, Simon Ammann, with 266,4 points and jumps on 130 and 138 m, the longest flight of the day. The third position took the Saturday's winner Gregor Schlierenzauer (Aut) 262,3 (131,5/134,5).

13 days before the start of the Four hills tournament in Oberstdorf (GER, 30th December) Simon Ammann kept the lead in the World Cup with 360 points ahead of Jacobsen (346) and Schlierenzauer (310).

Jacobsen looks back on an incredible start into the World Cup: 3rd in Kuusamo, then 10th and 2nd in Lillehammer and now 2nd and 1st in Engelberg. That means he claimed the top of the podium in his 5th World Cup competition only and brought Norway the first victory in this season. Simon Ammann, who won the first competition in Lillehammer, was for the second time on the runner-up-position after Kuusamo; he already was 2nd in Engelberg in 2001. Schlierenzauer took his third winter podium after the victories in Lillehammer and the day before in Engelberg.

There were quite good weather conditions, cloudy and only little wind. The audience was 9000 that means 17500 in total over the whole weekend. That is a new record for Engelberg.

*Statements of the top three athletes*

Anders Jacobsen: "Thanks the good training conditions in summer it was possible for me come to the World Cup in a really good shape. After this two competitions here in Engelberg, where we had good weather conditions, I'm very confident for the Four hills tournament. We stay some more days in Engelberg to use this good conditions for good training jumps. I'm looking forward on the Four hills tournament and I will jump with 110 %. My main goal is to win the team gold medal at the World Championships in Sapporo."

Simon Ammann: "This is a "mega" day for me. For sure I felt some pressure here in my home competition because I came here as the World Cup leader. But I knew that my shape is ok and that I could do even a step forward. Today my first jump wasn't perfect and I knew that I had to improve for the second one. In the final round I already before the take-off recognized that I can do a long jump. The Four hills tournament is a big challenge for me and I know that I have to jump well technically."

Gregor Schlierenzauer: "I'm very happy about this two competitions. The victory on Saturday was for an absolut dream. But I'm happy as well with this 3rd place. In our team we have a good mixture between older and younger jumpers and we have a phantastic relation among each other. I'm looking forward to celebrate X-mas and that I have some free days before we start at the Four hills tournament."

Results: [www.fis-ski.com](http://www.fis-ski.com)

Best regards

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