



FIS COMPETITION FACTS

e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping

10th season victory for Thomas Morgenstern in Liberec (CZE) Feb, 8th 2008/hn

Austrian Thomas Morgenstern won the first of two e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping competitions in Liberec (CZE) today. Morgenstern received 272,4 points for his jumps to 128,5 und 132 meters. On the second place finished Morgensterns team mate Gregor Schlierenzauer 129 und 130,5 meters (268,1 points) ahead of Andreas Küttel from Switzerland who received 260.8 points (130,5 and 128 meters).

Statements

Thomas Morgenstern: "This is my hill! Here I got my first World Cup victory in 2003 and I am very much looking forvard to the next year. I hope it will be my World Championships on my favorite hill. At the beginning of the season I have written on my skies "Believe in your dreams" and I belive that I will fill up my dream for this season which is to win the overal ranking of the World Cup."

Gregor Schlierenzauer: "I had a good feeling today. I am very happy about the competition. Both jumps were on a high level. The main reason is probably that I had a break before comming to Liberec and that was good for my shape."

Andreas Kuettel: "I like Liberec. I had my first podium place here (World Cup 2004). I felt comfortable and I am very happy with the competition today."

As Thomas Morgenstern now leads in the e.on Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping overall with a total of 1.555 points, that is 636 points ahead of Gregor Schlierenzauer (919) and 660 points ahead of Janne Ahonen (895). He could win the overall total alread tomorrow in Liberec.

Pictures:

Please note that high quality action and podium pictures from today's competitions are available for purchase through the Internet portal offered by Nordic Focus, FIS Partner for photos from the Nordic Disciplines, at www.nordicfocus.com

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Kind regards

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