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FIS World Cup Nordic Combined in Val di Fiemme (ITA), January, 13th 2008

Haseney wins, Lamy Chappuis 2nd, Kreiner 3rd

Sebastian Haseney, the third from yesterday's race, could win again for the second time in his career after Steamboat Springs 2001. He placed first in front of Jason Lamy Chappuis from France and David Kreiner from Austria. For the Austrian, it also the first podium place in a World Cup after his second place in Liberec 2001.

Leading after the jumping, David Zauner from Austria and Eric Frenzel from Germany (same points) could not hold on to their lead and finished 18th and 6th. Haseney was 14th after the jumping, Lamy Chappuis fifth and Kreiner fourth. Bill Demong (USA) had once again the best racing time of the day.

Ronny Ackermann (GER) is still leading the overall World Cup with now 671 points in front of Bill Demong (593 points) and Björn Kircheisen (GER, 514 points).

With his second place today, Jason Lamy Chappuis is now leading the Sprint World Cup with 318 points in front of Ronny Ackermann (265 points) and Björn Kircheisen (251 points).

The Nation Cup ranking is still lead by Germany with now 1972 points in front of Austria (1374 points) and Norway (1145 points).

The next competition (IG) will be on the 19th of January in Klingenthal, Germany.

Number of participants/ participating nations: 41/11

Spectators: 200 (SJ), 300 (XC)

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Number of Media/TV on site and HBC: 20 media (print (5) and photo (15)), 4TV, HBC:
Infront

Weather: cloudy, 2°C

Snow Conditions: compact

Special Remarks:

DNS (SJ): Kato (JPN)

DNS (XC): Hettich (GER), Munari (ITA), Runggaldier (ITA)

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.

Quotes:

Sebastian Haseney (GER): "I am so happy, I almost can't believe that I really won again! My first and last victory was in 2001. After that I was on the podium a couple of times, also on the second place, but somehow it never worked out for the first place. I am very satisfied with my jump today. I think it was one of my best jumps. With it, I had a very good starting position for the race. Yesterday's race was quite hard but I still felt very good and relaxed and just went for it. We were a good group, but I wasn't sure if it would be enough to ski with them and win. When I still felt very good in the last lap I made my attack and luckily I finished a few centimeters before Jason and am therefore first. I hope my jumping stays consistent so that I can show more competitions like that."

Jason Lamy Chappuis (FRA): "It seems that Sprints are made for me. I am pretty happy with the second place today although it was quite tight again. It's great to lead the Sprint World Cup again. I am glad that my jump was very good this morning, I think one of the best

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I had this weekend. Therefore I had a very good starting position for the race. My skis were very good today and I really enjoyed skiing. Tight races such as this one and most of the other Sprints this year are great because there is always something happening and if you feel good you have a lot of chances. Sebastian worked really hard today and had a great race. I wasn't sure if we would catch Ronny and Eric so I just tried to ski in a good rhythm together with Petter. But when we were only 11s behind I knew that we could do it and pushed very hard."

David Kreiner (AUT): "It is a great feeling to be back on the podium. It was the second time in a World Cup that I could climb it after 2001 and I am happy that I finally made it. The last couple of competitions gave me quite some confidence that it would go better and better and so it did. It was a tight race today but I still had power left for the last kilometers which is how I like it because then, you can still attack. I had a great jump today. Already the jumps in the last couple of competitions told me that I am able to show such jumps which I can be under the top athletes. And if the weather conditions are fine and fair as well like today, I can make it on the podium again."

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