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Official Invitation

BIG AIR CHUR
FIS Freeski & Snowboard World Cup graubünden

OCT 21 - 22, 2022





Dear athletes & teams,

On behalf of the organizing committee & the city of Chur we have the great pleasure to announce & to invite you to the 2nd BIG AIR CHUR event!

BIG AIR CHUR was launched with a bang in 2021, & we are much looking forward to unite freestyle sports & urban music again this year. Top stars of the freestyle scene compete with their opponents on the highest sportive level (World Cup), & on top of that, international artists inspire the crowd with musical highlights.

After the initial event in 2021, a public vote in February 2022 approved the BIG AIR CHUR event for another 5 years, & we are most thankful & grateful to the local community for their support & for endorsing this event in their city! BIG AIR CHUR offers a unique start into the winter season for the canton of Graubünden & is a flagship event for Chur & the whole region.

Preparations for the 2022 edition are at full speed, & we are much looking forward to welcoming you to Chur in October!

Kind regards,

Urs Marti
Mayor
City of Chur

Victor Zindel
OC President
City of Chur

Wolfgang Sahli
OC President
Big Air Chur Festival

René Goetz
Organizer
Big Air Chur Festival





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1. DESCRIPTION, DATES & VENUE

The BIG AIR CHUR is located in the capital city of Graubünden, the Grison country in the eastern alpine region of Switzerland. It is well known worldwide for its long & strong tradition in wintersports & includes famous & core resorts such as Davos, Laax, Lenzerheide & St. Moritz, to name only a few. For further information about Chur please go to: www.churtourismus.ch

The Big Air FIS World Cup contest is part of the 2nd edition BIG AIR FESTIVAL. The festival offers live concerts & parties for 2 days (& obviously nights), merging with what naturally belongs together - freestyle sports & great music.

Initiator is the world's largest music & concert entity, Live Nation, resp. their swiss subsidiary First Event AG, & the city of Chur (GR) has committed to the event for another 5 years. For planning & running the World Cup contests, the organizer has engaged an experienced team, led by the same Event Director in charge for the Laax Open, the former Burton European Open & the European Freeski Open for many years.

Dates:	WED & THU OCT 19 & 20, 2022	Training days
	FRI OCT 21, 2022	Freeski Qualifications during the day, Finals @ 8pm
	SAT OCT 22, 2022	Snowboard Qualifications during the day, Finals @ 8pm

A more detailed schedule is available on the FIS website (preliminary schedule)

Venue: Sport & Event Facilities Chur, Obere Au, Grossbruggerweg 6, 7000 Chur ([click here for google maps](#))

In a close outskirt to the center of town, the event location is in the actual home base of sports in Chur, the Obere Au, just where the ice arena, swim hall & skate park are.





2. REGISTRATION / ENTRIES

Entries for the BIG AIR CHUR shall be accepted in accordance with the FIS quotas & rules for World Cup, & must be processed by the National Sports Association through the FIS Online Registration & Entry System www.fis-ski.com (Member Section).

Provisional deadline for entries, including competitors & officials:

Freeski AUG 22, 2022, 23:00 CET

Snowboard AUG 23, 2022, 23:00 CET

Restricted competitor fields sizes will be in place as by World cup quota calculations & all entries not done prior to the provisional entry date will not be considered. The quotas can be downloaded on the FIS website:

Quota Description: [Description Snowboard Freestyle & Freeski \(fis-ski.com\)](http://www.fis-ski.com)

Quota Calculation Freeski: [Calculation \(fis-ski.com\)](http://www.fis-ski.com)

Quota Calculation Snowboard: [Calculation \(fis-ski.com\)](http://www.fis-ski.com)

The confirmation of participation from FIS/OC will be communicated on AUG 25, 2022. Maximum by OCT 11, 2022 nations need to inform FIS/OC if any of the confirmed competitors will not be able to attend in order to reallocate the open spots.

All competitors must hold current FIS & other applicable memberships. Please refer to the WC entry procedures & quota information described on the FIS website.

Organizer: First Event AG, Zürcherstrasse 376, 8500 Frauenfeld, Switzerland

Website: www.bigairfestival.com

Your main contact: riders@bigairfestival.com



3. HOW TO GET THERE

Teams are responsible for their own transportation to & from Chur. It is easy to get to from anywhere in Europe, by public transport, car or plane.

By public transportation

Chur is a main terminal station of the Swiss Federal Railways (SBB) & has excellent high-speed connections from & to Zurich-Airport. Further, there are direct train services to Zurich, Basel & St. Gallen, as well as to major European cities incl. Brussels, Amsterdam, Hamburg & Stuttgart. Timetables are available on: www.sbb.ch/en

By car

Chur is only a 1h & 15min drive Zurich & is in the middle of the transalpine route to Munich & Milan. If you are coming from Zurich or Basel, follow the highway A3/A13 to Chur. Both highway exits (Chur Nord / Chur Süd) are close to the center of the Alpine City. Use the route planner for the shortest & fastest route before departure: www.google.ch/maps

By plane

There are a number of airports around Chur, e.g. Zurich, Basel, Geneva, Lugano or Friedrichshafen. You can easily travel to Chur by train (SBB) from all these airports. From Friedrichshafen Airport or Zurich, you can also get to Chur with the Graubünden Express: www.graubuenden-express.com





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5. ONSITE REGISTRATION & ACCREDITATION

Team registrations & fee payments will take place at the RIDERS & ACCREDITATION OFFICE at the event venue. The fee is CHF 150 per rider. Please note that only credit cards or other electronic payments are accepted, preferably Mastercard, Visa or EC Maestro (no American Express). There is no cash handling at the accreditation office.

Opening hours are (subject to changes):

MON	OCT 17, 2022	12pm - 08pm	
TUE	OCT 18, 2022	09am - 08pm	
WED	OCT 19, 2022	08am - 08pm	1st training day
THU	OCT 20, 2022	08am - 08pm	2nd training day
FRI	OCT 21, 2022	08am - 10pm	Freeski contest
SAT	OCT 22, 2022	08am - 10pm	Snowboard contest / DEP day Freeskiers
SUN	OCT 23, 2022	09am - 12pm	DEP day Snowboarders

Your accreditation gives you access to all competition sites/areas, as well as to the Riders Lounge & to an onsite waxing area, including storage space for your gear. Your accreditation also gives you access to the concert area, provided there are no Covid or other restrictions implemented by the FIS for World Cup events.

6. BIBS

All competitors must wear bibs appropriately during all scheduled trainings, competition & at the awards ceremony. Bibs will be distributed at the 1st Team Captains Meeting, held the night prior to the 1st training. Competitors keep their bibs throughout the event.



7. OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD

The Official Notice Board will be located at the RIDERS & ACCREDITATION OFFICE.

In an effort to reduce our environmental footprint & streamline event communications, the most current information leading up to & during the event will be posted on the microsite for the event: <https://bigairfestival.com/riders/>

8. TEAM CAPTAINS MEETINGS

Daily Team Captain Meetings are planned at the event venue, in the building near the waxing area. If, other than expected, Covid restrictions need to be implemented again, there will be an online setup for attending the TC meeting virtually.

TUE	OCT 18, 2022	08pm	First TC meeting for snowboard
WED	OCT 19, 2022	12pm	First TC meeting for Freeski

The times of the TC Meetings following these initial ones will be communicated to you onsite.



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9. PRIZE MONEY & AWARD CEREMONIES

A total purse of CHF 110'000 will be awarded for the BIG AIR CHUR 2022, paying CHF 55'000 to each sport, Freeski & Snowboard. Prize money will be awarded to the top 10 men & top 10 women.

Winners will receive their prize money via bank transfer. NSAs are responsible for entering the personal bank information for each athlete using the Athlete Registration module in the FIS Member Section. Incomplete, wrong or no bank details will result in non-payment. Prize money payments shall deduct income source taxes, as required by Swiss law.

Award ceremonies are held immediately after the Finals on the main concert stage, located right next to the Big Air contest area/ramp, or in the finish area of the Big Air setup.

All podium winners (1-2-3) women & men are required to stay available immediately after the last run of the Finals.

Wearing your own contest bib for the award ceremony is mandatory.

After a short break, the Award Ceremonies are followed by headliner main acts.

PRIZE MONEY SPLIT BIG AIR CHUR 2022						
FREESKI			SNOWBOARD			
MEN		WOMEN		MEN	WOMEN	
CHF	12'375	CHF	12'375	1st	CHF 12'375	CHF 12'375
CHF	6'463	CHF	6'463	2nd	CHF 6'463	CHF 6'463
CHF	3'438	CHF	3'438	3rd	CHF 3'438	CHF 3'438
CHF	1'650	CHF	1'650	4th	CHF 1'650	CHF 1'650
CHF	825	CHF	825	5th	CHF 825	CHF 825
CHF	688	CHF	688	6th	CHF 688	CHF 688
CHF	619	CHF	619	7th	CHF 619	CHF 619
CHF	550	CHF	550	8th	CHF 550	CHF 550
CHF	481	CHF	481	9th	CHF 481	CHF 481
CHF	413	CHF	413	10th	CHF 413	CHF 413
CHF	27'500	CHF	27'500		CHF 27'500	CHF 27'500

CHF 110'000



10. LIABILITY & INSURANCES

All athletes, officials & members of National Associations who attend & participate in the event shall do so at their own risk, competitors must have their own medical insurance. The Organizing Committee, sponsors, suppliers, their agents, employees & volunteers, the FIS & Swiss Ski decline any responsibility for accidents, damaged or lost equipment & second & third party claims in connection with the event.

All athletes & team members shall be required to sign a Liability Disclaimer as well as a Media Disclaimer before receiving access to the event, this is processed at the RIDERS & ACCREDITATION OFFICE. PDF files of these disclaimers shall be posted on the event's microsite in due time.

11. ANTI DOPING & MEDICAL PLAN

Anti-doping control may be conducted for this event.

At all times during trainings & contests there is a dedicated medical crew onsite, including an onsite stationed ambulance. The Graubünden county hospital in Chur is less than 4km away.

12. NOTE ON COVID-19

There are currently no Covid rules & guidelines from the Swiss government or from the FIS for World Cup events, & we shall plan accordingly. Nevertheless we are prepared to implement safety measures to any extent on short notice, should there be new rules & regulations required between now & the event. The organizer has multiple experiences is staging events under Covid measures.

