

TEAMS BREAFING

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WELCOME TO ANDORRRRA, WELCOME TO GRANDVALIRA – SOLDEU WORLD CUP

The most important alpine competition circuit in the world

The Alpine Ski World Cup is the most important international competition circuit in the world along with the Winter Olympic Games and the World Alpine Ski Championships. The circuit is staged annually and has a calendar of men's and women's races. Moreover, competitors are required to be highly multifaceted and regular.

This season, the Alpine Ski World Cup Women will be held from 22nd October 2011 to 18th March 2012, organised by the International Ski Federation (FIS). The 2011/12 calendar will open in Soelden (Austria) and the World Cup final will take place in the Austrian town of Schladming. During this period, the racers will compete at 21 skiable domains, the most prestigious in the world, with the aim of achieving the highest score in five disciplines: slalom, giant slalom, super-G, downhill and super-combined.

On 11th and 12th February 2012, Grandvalira-Soldeu will hold two races of the Alpine Ski World Cup Women on the mythic Avet competition slope. It will be the 15th skiable domain to host the most important alpine ski circuit competition in the world.

KEY CONTACTS

2012 Grandvalira - Soldeu Audi FIS World Cup Organizing Committee

- Conrad Blanch, General Manager
- Vicky Grau/Anna Altimir, Race Secretary
- Bea Morales, General Secretary
- Jordi Pujol, Race Director
- Ton Naudi, Head of the Technical Area
- Enric Barbier, Head of Operations
- David Hidalgo, Head of Corporate Services
- Alfonso Torreño, Head of Marketing
- Patrícia Gracia, Head of Media
- Daniel Areny, Canillo Commune representative
- Enric Torres, Canillo Tourism Club representative
- Carles Visa, FAE representative
- Noemí Pedra, Andorra Tourism representative



PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Friday, 10th February, 2012. Training.

8.00 am	Avet slope's access lifts open (Grandvalira- Soldeu)
10.00 am to 10.30 am	Open training on the Slalom slope (Grandvalira-Soldeu)
5.00 pm to 6:00 pm	Captains' meeting (Race office IN Ahotels Piolets Park & Spa, Soldeu)
6.00 pm	Numbers draw (Race office. Ahotels Piolets Park & Spa, Soldeu)

Saturday 11th February, 2012. Giant slalom.

8.00 am	Avet slope's access lifts open (Grandvalira-Soldeu)
10.30 am	GS first leg (Giant), Avet slope
1.30 pm	GS second leg, Avet slope
3.00 pm	Floral award ceremony on Avet slope
6.00 pm	Giant prize-giving ceremony and public numbers draw (Palau de Gel, Canillo)

Sunday 12th February, 2012. Slalom.

7.30 am	Soldeu lifts open for the teams (Grandvalira-Soldeu)
8.00 am	Resort lifts open for access to Avet slope (Grandvalira-Soldeu)
9.45 am	SL first leg (Slalom), Avet slope
12.45 pm	SL second leg, Avet slope
2.00 pm	Prize giving ceremony on Avet slope

FACILITIES IN SOLDEU

Accreditation Office

The Accreditations centre is located in Lobby Hall, Hotels Piolets Park & Spa (Soldeu). Team accreditations will be handled at the Accreditation Office upon the arrival of the teams in Andorra. Accreditations will be obligatory to access the training area, the race slope and the room reserved for competitors.

The accreditations can be collected in the accreditations centre from 9th February at 8h.

Race Office

The Race Office is located at Sala Fontargent (1st floor), hotel Ahotels Piolet Park & Spa (Soldeu main road). Upon arriving in Andorra, teams can collect all the information on accommodation, training and competition at the Office.

The Captains Meeting will be in the Race Office, Sala Fontargent (1st floor) in the Ahotels PIOLETS PARK & SPA in Soldeu.



Press Centre

The press centre is located in the Sport Hotel Village (Soldeu) tower I. The Press Room has all the necessary elements so that you can carry out your work, and also has rest areas and catering service. The press centre will remain continuously open on 10th, 11th and 12th February, from 8.00 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. The Avet slope can be watched from the media room terrace, located at the foot of the slopes.

RACE ENTRIES

DEADLINES FOR TEAM ENTRIES:

Announcement of team size: JANUARY 7th, 2012 (Team size including number of athletes and team staff, estimated number of rooms)

Definitive registration: FEBRUARY 4th, 2012. Communication of the final number of rooms and names of athletes in rooming list.

ACCOMMODATION

Teams will lodge at the hotels located in Soldeu. In all hotels, teams will have a small room to store their skis at night. None of the hotels will have a skiroom. The name of the hotels in which the Teams will be, will be told before their arrival or directly in the Race Office.

Vehicles

Some hotels have private car parks and parking will also be allowed in the surroundings of the hotels, following the signs. The organisation will reserve some parking spaces for the teams' vehicles at the foot of the Avet slope and in front of the Race Office. The organisation does not guarantee that the parking spaces are covered.

SKIROOMS

Skirooms for all teams will be open from 8th to 12th February 2012 twenty-four hours a day (round the clock security). They are located in the garage of the Hotel Parador Canaro, between Soldeu and El Tarter, 1 km from the centre of Soldeu. Teams can access the garage with their own vehicles to offload equipment, but long-stay parking of vehicles will not be allowed in this garage.





TRANSPORT FOR TEAMS

The Organising Committee of the Audi FIS Alpine Ski World Cup Women Soldeu 2012 provides free transport from Barcelona Airport to Soldeu (Andorra).

Arrival 9th Feb 2012

From	To
BCN (airport)	Soldeu (Andorra)
10:00h	13:30h
12:00h	15:30h
15:00h	18:30h
16:00h	19:30h

Departure 12th Feb 2012

From	To
Soldeu (Andorra)	BCN (airport)
15:00h	18:30h
16:00h	19:30h



CAR RENTAL

Avis, 4,800 rental points. Avis takes you from your railway station, airport or city straight to the slopes. Renting with Avis is the best way to get the most out of your ski trip. Travel safely and Comfortably, and have more time to ski along the Grandvalira slopes. This year don't miss the opportunity to enjoy the snow. If you make your Avis booking through the Grandvalira website, will be given a preferential rate for your ski trip.

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FINANCES

Team Reimbursement – The travel expenses for the Teams is to be electronic. The payment office will be located at the Race Office, Ahotels Piolets Park & Spa, SOLDEU.

Prize Money – Prize money will be paid to the winners personal bank account.

ACCREDITATION FOR ATHLETES, TEAMS AND THEIR VEHICLES

FIS Season Accreditation / FIS Code for Athletes

According to FIS World Cup Rules the teams must use the FIS online system for FIS season accreditation requests. A FIS Season Accreditation (respectively a FIS Code for athletes) is a pre-requisite for an individual to be included on the official team entry. Each category of persons will be assigned a special code. Please make sure that all your team staff have the FIS season accreditation 2011/2012. Individuals without a FIS Season Accreditation may only be included on a separate team guest list, which is mentioned in the system.

SNOW-MAKING FACILITIES

Snow-making covers the whole slope, including the start and finish areas. At the Grandvalira domain there are 15 snow production centres covering 65 km of the 205 km of its slopes. The technical staff specialising in artificial snow are highly skilled in this technology. Moreover, to guarantee the best artificial snow conditions at the Avet slope, 34 state-of-the-art canons have been installed with a snow production capacity of 500 m³/h



COMPETITION COURSE

Avet Slope

The Avet slope has been chosen to host the Audi FIS Alpine Ski World Cup Women Soldeu 2012. Located at Grandvalira-Soldeu, the competition slope and its classic layout, approved by the International Ski Federation (FIS) since October 2007, has a safe and spectacular design.

The slope can be reached through a modern 8-seater cable car and also with a 6-seater detachable chairlift.

The slope has a north-west orientation, which guarantees the quality of the snow, and descends through almost the whole course to its steepest point towards the village of Soldeu, where it ends. The whole run is perfectly visible from Soldeu and most of the sunniest hotel rooms overlook the competition slope.



SERVICE INFORMATION

Lift Passes – to be collected at the Race Office.

Gyms - - Teams will have free access to gym and swimming-pool facilities available at the Palau de Gel d'Andorra in Canillo (5km from Soldeu).

ORGANISING COMMITTEE CONTACT

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