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## "e.on Ruhrgas" FIS World Cup Ski Jumping Competition Facts Lillehammer (Nor)



### Schlierenzauer wins first World Cup competition in his career

The Austrian Gregor Schlierenzauer won the second "e.on-Ruhrgas" FIS World Cup Ski Jumping competition in Lillehammer (Nor) with the total score of 276,0 points (134 and 137 m). Second was the Norwegian Anders Jacobsen 269,2 (136/131,5) and third Adam Malysz from Poland with 264,7 points (137,5/127,5).

Schlierenzauer did his first World Cup start last spring in Oslo where he was on 24th place. The day before the first World Cup victory in his career he was on 4th place - with a hill record of 141 m in the final round. The 16-year old Austrian already won a FIS Grand Prix competition in August in Courchevel. Also Anders Jacobsen is a newcomer in the World Cup. He did his first start in the highest category one week ago in Kuusamo where he was 3rd. On Saturday he couldn't stand his jump on 142 m in the final round and was 10th.

Adam Malysz celebrated his 29th birthday and took the lead in the first round. Then he couldn't do as well in the final and fell back on the 3rd position. He claimed the podium for the 62nd time, for the first time in Lillehammer. In addition he got the special prize "Manner Man of the day", 2000 Euro, because he was the best ranked athlete, who wasn't among the best 15 in the World Cup before the competition.

The conditions were quite fair. In the first round there was little bit difficult because the wind changed sometimes from tail- to head wind. In the final round it was raining and the wind conditions were quite stable. The audience was approx. 2000.

### Statements of the best three athletes

Gregor Schlierenzauer: "It's great for me to be for the first time on the top of the podium in Norway, the country where I did my first World Cup start. The day before I wasn't so lucky with the wind in the first round. But already this 4th place was very good. I like to jump on hills, which are new for me. I had no problems to adaptate on this hill here. I don't know what's going on in the next competitions."

Anders Jacobsen: "I feel quite strong actually. I'm in a really good shape. I summer I really worked hard in the training. I'm very happy with this second place. I don't mind that I didn't win. It's ok for me."

Adam Malysz: "I did much better than the day before. Therefore I'm satisfied with this competition even when I didn't win after I was in the lead after the first round. I had some muscle pains after the fall the day before. But that didn't matter I have to jump with the legs....In the final round I stood too much on the toes therefore the take-off wasn't so good and the jump was too short."

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

**Attention: There will be no "e.on-Ruhrgas FIS World Cup Ski Jumping competitions next weekend. Next competitions are planned for Engelberg 16th/17th December 2006**

Best regards

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