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## IFSC WORLD CUP KAZO 2016

# BOULDERING WORLD CUP RETURNS TO KAZO, JAPAN - APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup> -24<sup>TH</sup>, 2016

**After seven years, the Bouldering World Cup will be back in Kazo, Japan, this weekend for the second event of the 2016 season.**

### A New Day

With the close of a spectacular first round in Meiringen, Switzerland, the world's best boulderers now set their sights on Japan's main island of Honshu where they will face-off at the second Bouldering World Cup of seven to be held this season.

While Inzai welcomed top international Lead climbers to the island in 2014 and 2012, Kazo has not hosted an IFSC World Cup since 2009. This year, the Kazo Civic Gymnasium will bring in a new set of Bouldering athletes hungry for success.

### Who To Watch

Last weekend, Shauna Coxsey of Great Britain started the season like she finished the last by topping the most problems for Gold. Melissa Le Neve of France also made the podium, of which seasoned competitor Akiyo Noguchi fell just shy. The four-time Overall Bouldering World Cup champion will vie for another medal in Kazo, along with Japan teammate Miho Nonaka who finished 14<sup>th</sup> in Meiringen.

For the men, Alexey Rubtsov of Russia snuck by last weekend with one more bonus hold than Martin Stranik of

the Czech Republic. 2015 Asian Continental Championship winner Tsukuru Hori will attempt to unseat them on his home turf this weekend, as well as Meiringen third-place finisher Jorg Verhoeven of the Netherlands. Also keep an eye on Kokoro Fujii and Rei Sugimoto of Japan who finished among the top ten last year.

Visit the [dedicated Kazo event page](#) before the rematch begins to access start lists and event information, and be sure to review the current Bouldering World Cup and World Bouldering rankings below.

An exceptional coverage from the Japanese media is expected as all the climbing community is waiting for the decision of the IOC, in August, to select Sport Climbing at the next Olympic Games of Tokyo 2020.

### Tune In

Stay tuned to the IFSC website for live streaming of the semi-finals and finals:

[www.ifsc-climbing.org](http://www.ifsc-climbing.org)

As always, we will be present on Twitter during the competition, so reach out with the hashtag [#IFSCwc!](#)

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## IFSC WORLD CUP (B) KAZO (JPN)

Provisional Programme (GMT+9)

### Saturday, April 23

09:30-12:25 Women Qualification (in 2 groups)

14:00-17:45 Men Qualification (in 2 groups)

### Sunday, April 24

09:00-11:00 Men and Women Semi-Finals - (LIVE)

14:20-17:20 Men and Women Finals - (LIVE)

17:50-19:00 Awards Ceremony - (LIVE)

## CURRENT BOULDERING WORLD CUP RANKINGS

As of IFSC Climbing World Cup (B) - Meiringen (SUI) 2016 (15.04.2016)

### WOMEN BOULDERING

#	NAME	NATION	POINTS
1	COXSEY Shauna	GBR	100.00
2	LE NEVE Melissa	FRA	80.00
3	MASCARENAS Megan	USA	65.00
4	NOGUCHI Akiyo	JPN	55.00
5	GARNBRET Janja	SLO	51.00
6	KAISER Clementine	FRA	47.00
7	GIBERT Fanny	FRA	43.00
8	TRACY Michaela	GBR	40.00
9	GEJO Stasa	SRB	37.00
10	KLINGLER Petra	SUI	34.00

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## MEN BOULDERING

#	NAME		NATION	POINTS
1	RUBTSOV	Alexey	RUS	100.00
2	STRANIK	Martin	CZE	80.00
3	VERHOEVEN	Jorg	NED	65.00
4	LEVIER	Alban	FRA	55.00
5	SCHUBERT	Jakob	AUT	51.00
6	LANDMAN	Tyler	GBR	47.00
7	MAWEM	Mickael	FRA	41.00
7	MORONI	Gabriele	ITA	41.00
9	FUJII	Kokoro	JPN	35.00
9	HOJER	Jan	GER	35.00

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