



INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF SPORT CLIMBING

# SPORT CLIMBING ADDED TO THE EUROPEAN GAMES KRAKOW 2023 PROGRAMME

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The International Federation of Sport Climbing (IFSC) hit another important milestone today, as it reached an agreement with the European Olympic Committees (EOC) for the inclusion of Sport Climbing in the program of the next edition of the European Games, set to take place in Krakow, Poland, in June 2023.

The agreement adds up to the ones the IFSC recently signed with other main continental sports organisation – such as European Championships Management and Pan American Sports – setting up for Sport Climbing’s debut on major multi-sport stages like the [European Championships Munich 2022](#) and the [Pan American Games Santiago 2023](#).

IFSC President Marco Sclaris said:

“Together with the IFSC European Council we decided to grab the great opportunity to see our sport on the prestigious of the European Games Krakow 2023. Just few weeks after the inclusion in the Pan American Games, we are confident that this new step up will strengthen the relationship between our National Federations and their National Olympic Committees, much to the benefit of the global growth of our sport.”

IFSC Olympic and Multi-Sport Games Director Jérôme Meyer said:

“Sport Climbing is an appealing sport for all and easy to start. We can observe that popularity across all the world climbing places, that is not only a new sport but a whole community that will be joining the 2023 European Games.”

Hasan Arat, Chair of the Coordination Commission for the European Games 2023, said:

“Sport Climbing and Triathlon are two exciting Olympic sports that we are thrilled to welcome to the 2023 European Games. Both sports are fan favourites, and they join an already solid line-up of sports for 2023 that we are confident will be the most comprehensive and innovative yet for a European Games.”

Alongside the upcoming editions of the European Championships, European Games and Pan American Games, Sport Climbing has been included in the Asian Games programme in 2018, and represents a touchstone of The World Games since 2005.

Krakow 2023 will be the third edition of the European Games, following up from the ones organised in Baku, Azerbaijan, in 2015, and Minsk, Belarus, in 2019.

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