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SPAIN, AUSTRIA WIN MULTIPLE GOLD MEDALS AT PARACLIMBING WORLD CUP

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The International Federation of Sport Climbing (IFSC) Paraclimbing World Cup Salt Lake City 2022 - the opening event of the 2022 Paraclimbing season - finished with ten different national anthems playing at The Front Climbing Club, as Australia, Austria, Brazil, Germany, Israel, Italy, the Netherlands, Romania, Slovenia, and Spain all won at least one gold medal.

SPAIN TAKES ROUND ONE AGAINST ROMANIA

In the first men's final of the day, Spanish experienced climber Francisco Javier Aguilar Amoedo bested his two Romanian rivals - Razvan Nedu and Alexandru Benchea. Amoedo won men's B1 gold with the score of 39+, while Nedu and Benchea finished with 31+ and 22+, respectively finishing in second and third position.

For the men's Paraclimbing B1 event full results [click here](#).

FRANCO SECURES SECOND SPANISH GOLD

Shortly after Amoedo's winning climb, a second Spanish athlete secured the brightest medal. In the men's B2 sport class, Raul Simon Franco prevailed over his friend and teammate Guillermo Pelegrín Gómez, and won his second consecutive IFSC Paraclimbing World Cup gold medal after the one he claimed in Innsbruck, Austria in 2021.

The bronze medal went to Valentin-Laurentiu Moise of Romania.

For the men's Paraclimbing B2 event full results [click here](#).

CANDOI WINS B3 GOLD FOR ROMANIA

Cosmin Florin Candoi - men's B3 gold medalist at last year's Paraclimbing World Championships Moscow 2021 - won the first gold medal of 2022 for the Romanian Paraclimbing team, topping the final route and besting Canada's Chaz Misuraca - silver medal winner at his first IFSC Paraclimbing World Cup participation.

The podium was completed by Connor Gearey of the United States of America, who finished in third place.

For the men's Paraclimbing B3 event full results [click here](#).

AUSTRIA CLAIMS GOLD-SILVER COMBO IN AL1 CLASS





Moscow 2021 gold medallist Angelino Zeller won the fifth gold medal of his career, starting 2022 right from where he left off: the top of the podium. Zeller's teammate Markus Pösendorfer placed right next to him, in second place. Japan's Ouchi Hideyuki also finished on the podium, taking third place.

For the men's Paraclimbing AL1 event full results [click here](#).

GUARDIA FERRER TAKES GOLD IN A TIGHT FINAL

The Spanish Paraclimbing team won its third medal of the event in the AL2 sort class, thanks to Alberto Guardia Ferrer. The 2016 Paraclimbing world champion climbed back atop the podium at the end of a neck-and-neck battle with Ethan Zilz of the United States of America, and Sebastian Menze of Norway.

Both Guardia Ferrer and Zilz finished with 39+, and the former placed first thanks to a better placement in qualification. Menze won bronze with 39.

For the men's Paraclimbing AL2 event full results [click here](#).

FRANCK TOPS THE RP1 CLASS

In the men's RP1 final, Germany's Korbinian Franck ended up being the only climber able to secure the top hold, finishing with the gold medal around his neck. Competing on their home turf, two US climbers finished second and third: Sunny Yang won silver with 46, while Elliott Nguyen took bronze with 36.

For the men's Paraclimbing RP1 full results [click here](#).

SAPIR BEATS KUMAR IN MEN'S RP2 FINAL

Mor Michael Sapir won Israel's only medal of the Paraclimbing World Cup in Salt Lake City. The 31-year-old topped the RP2 final route, and finished ahead of his closest opponent thanks to a better score in qualification. Indeed, Manikandan Kumar of India also secured the top hold, but had to settle for silver.

Brian Zarzuela concluded his final round with 41+ and won bronze.

For the men's Paraclimbing RP2 full results [click here](#).

BARENDRECHT CLAIMS FIRST CAREER GOLD IN SALT LAKE CITY

In the men's RP3 event, Jamie Barendrecht of the Netherlands won the first IFSC gold medal of his career, dominating the round and placing well ahead of Jared Lenahan of the United States - 42 against 28+. Lenahan's silver medal matches the one he won at last year's Paraclimbing World Cup in Los Angeles, California, USA.

Canada Shamus Boulianne completed the podium in third place, winning bronze with 27.



For the men's Paraclimbing RP3 full results [click here](#).

GLUSIC BACK ATOP THE PODIUM

After putting together a series of podium placements, Slovenia's Tanja Glusic finally won her first international gold medal since 2017, topping the women's B1 route and finishing ahead of Italy's Nadia Bredice thanks to a better placement in the qualification round.

Making her debut at the IFSC level, United States of America's Raveena Alli completed the podium in third place.

For the women's Paraclimbing B1 full results [click here](#).

LARCOMBE WINS OCEANIAN BATTLE WITH MAIA

Oceania placed at the top two positions of the women's AL2 final: Australia's Sarah Larcombe and New Zealand's Rachel Maia both made their debut at an IFSC Paraclimbing World Cup. Eventually, Larcombe took gold with 24+, and Maia followed in second place, winning silver with 22+.

The bronze medal was won by Tânia Chavez of Portugal.

For the women's Paraclimbing AL2 event full results [click here](#).

CAPOVILLA MAKES THE ITALIAN ANTHEM PLAY IN SALT LAKE CITY

Lucia Capovilla of Italy ruled the women's AU2 final, pocketing her first international gold medal since 2015, and stepping on the podium as the entire Italian Climbing and Paraclimbing team sang the national anthem.

Maureen Beck and Eleanor Rubin of the United States of America also won medals, respectively placing second and third.

For the women's Paraclimbing AU2 event full results [click here](#).

PLANK SEALS HER PERFECT EVENT WITH THE GOLD MEDAL

Topping all the three routes she had to face throughout the women's RP1 event - two in qualification, one in final - Jasmin Plank of Austria secured the gold medal in Salt Lake City, adding it to the one she claimed in Los Angeles in October 2021.

For the women's Paraclimbing RP1 full results [click here](#).

DIAS WINS FIRST, HISTORIC PARACLIMBING GOLD FOR BRAZIL

Competing in front of a loud Brazilian Climbing team, Marina Dias wrote a page of history for her country, securing the



first ever gold medal at an IFSC Paraclimbing World Cup or Championship. Dias topped the final route and finished ahead of Christiane Luttikhuisen of the Netherlands, and Rosalie Schauptert of Germany, who respectively won silver and bronze.

For the women's Paraclimbing RP3 full results [click here](#).

MEDAL TABLE

- Spain: 3 golds, 1 silver.
- Austria: 2 golds, 1 silver.
- Romania: 1 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronzes.
- Netherlands: 1 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze.
- Italy: 1 gold, 1 silver.
- Germany: 1 gold, 1 bronze.
- Australia: 1 gold.
- Brazil: 1 gold.
- Israel: 1 gold.
- Slovenia: 1 gold.
- United States of America: 5 silvers, 5 bronzes.
- Canada: 1 silver, 1 bronze.
- India: 1 silver.
- New Zealand: 1 silver.
- Japan: 1 bronze.
- Norway: 1 bronze.
- Portugal: 1 bronze.

The next IFSC Paraclimbing event will be the IFSC Paraclimbing World Cup in Innsbruck, Austria, scheduled from 21 to 22 June. The third and final event in Salt Lake City IFSC Paraclimbing World Cup in Salt Lake City will conclude tomorrow with the finals, scheduled to begin at 12:00 PM (UTC-6:00) and live streamed on the [IFSC YouTube channel](#).

News and updates about the event will also be available on the [IFSC website](#), and on the Federation's social media channels: [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#).

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