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IFSC World Climbing Championships 2012, Paris, 12-16 September 2012: a milestone in climbing history.

Paris, 4th September 2012 - The IFSC World Climbing Championships 2012 will take place from 12th to 16th September in the prestigious Palais Omnisports de Paris Bercy, one of Paris' most prestigious settings, where over 15000 spectators are expected.

The competition will host four different climbing competition formats: lead, bouldering, speed and paraclimbing. This international event will see more than 500 climbers from more than 60 countries take part in qualifiers and the finals and compete for world ranking.

For the second time, IFSC World Climbing Championships will welcome paraclimbing. This commitment shows IFSC will to develop the sport and its access to all types of public and climbers. Climbers and paraclimbers from the entire world will be able to write a fantastic page of climbing and sport history.

Following the decision of the International Olympic Committee to include Sport Climbing in the "short-list" for the 2020 Olympics Games, this event will be the occasion to promote climbing and all the values that belong to it.





“Considering that recently sport climbing has been included in the shortlist for a possible inclusion in the 2020 Olympic Games, may the IFSC World Climbing Championships 2012 be a key hold in the hardest climb to the top, that top that the climbers of yesterday, today and tomorrow deserve” said Marco SCOLARIS, President of the International Federation of Sport Climbing.

The French Federation, represented by its President Pierre You and its national technical director Pierre-Henri Paillason is firmly and enthusiastically committed to achieving the vitality that will ensure durable performances. “The French Federation is happy to host and celebrate the IFSC World Climbing Championships 2012 in Paris. The organization of this international competition is a new step forward for sport climbing” said Pierre YOU, President of the French Climbing Federation.

More information on <http://www.worldclimbing2012.com/en/press>

Qualifiers and finals will be webcasted on www.IFSC.tv

A satellite link will be communicated later on to download every day images of the competition





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