



## IFSC Press Release

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### **Climbing & Paraclimbing World Championships Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 - Day 2 for Qualifications**

**Paris, 13th September 2012** – Three qualification rounds took place today in the Paris Bercy sports arena. From 9.00am, male athletes opened the competition with lead qualifications. 102 athletes competed. A total of 7 competitors including French climber Romain Desgranges were tied for first place heading into the semi-final round. Joining the French climbers in the semi-final, were climbers from Austria, Canada, Czech Republic, Norway, Spain and Switzerland.

Paraclimbing qualification rounds for the second routes began at 10.00 am. The paraclimbers competed in separate categories including visually impaired, amputee and arthritis, neurological and physical disability. Athletes representing India, Italy, Russia and the USA qualified first in their respective category.

The women bouldering qualifications started at 12:00pm with 70 women including Mélanie Sandoz who took the lead of the provisional ranking with the American athlete Alex Puccio, in front of Mélissa Le Névé who ended at the third place.





Tomorrow the competition starts at 10:00am with women bouldering semi final.

### **Male Lead**

1 Romain Desgranges

1 Cédric Lachat (SUI)

1 Adam Ondra (CZ)

1 Midtboe Magnus (NOR)

1 Sean McColl (CAN)

1 Jakob Schubert (AUT)

1 Ramon Julian Puigblanque (ESP)

9 Thomas Ballet

11 Manuel Romain

17 Thomas Joannes

### **Female Bouldering**

1 Mélanie Sandoz

1 Alex Puccio (USA)

3 Mélissa Le Névé

13 Cécile Avezou





### **Female Visually Impaired**

1 Rakhmankulova Dilyara (RUS)

4 Roxane Heili

### **Male Visually Impaired**

11 Stefani Matteo (ITA)

4 Moineau Nicolas

6 Arvin Vadoud

### **Amputee (Leg)**

1 DeMartino Craig (USA)

7 Yves Le Bissonnais

### **Arthritis,neurological, Physical Disability**

1 Kumar Manikandan (IND)

3 Mathieu Besnard

4 Noel Collin

10 Philippe Ribière

12 Jean Cheminade

13 Louis Gabriel Perez





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