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THE LONGINES FEI JUMPING WORLD CUP: HALF OF THE WORLD TOP TWENTY AND SIX CURRENT CHAMPIONS IN THE RING IN LYON!

The Longines FEI Jumping World Cup Western European League, a key event during the winter season, was launched last weekend in Oslo, Norway. From 30 October to 3 November, the Longines Equita Lyon Concours Hippique International will host its own World Cup leg, attracting the greatest riders in the world, including ten of the twenty best riders in the Longines World rankings, and six current champions.

The three best riders in the world expected

The history of the Longines Equita Lyon Concours Hippique Internationale is closely linked to these three great figures of show jumping, who have all added their names to the list of winners of the Longines FEI World Cup leg in Lyon. The loyal three are World number 1, Switzerland's Steve Guerdat, 2012 Olympic individual champion, three-time winner of the Longines FEI World Cup Final (in 2019, 2016 and 2015), his fellow countryman Martin Fuchs, current World number 2, World team silver medallist and current European individual champion, and Germany's Daniel Deusser, the third best rider in the world, and winner of the circuit's Final in the Lyon arena in 2014, who will all be back in Eurexpo's halls. Over the past two years, Steve Guerdat has systematically finished in second position in the Longines FEI World Cup leg in Lyon, with his remarkable Albfuehren's Bianca. Martin Fuchs won here in 2018 with Clooney 51, as did Daniel Deusser in 2016 with the well-named Equita van t Zorgvliet.

Half the World Top 20 will travel to Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes. The following riders are thus expected: Pieter Devos, recently crowned European champion with the Belgian team, his teammate Niels Bruynseels, Sweden's Henrik von Eckermann, the current World team silver medallist, Brazil's Marlon Modolo Zanotelli and the German legend of equestrian sport, the *maestro* Marcus Ehning, who is also a three-time winner of the Longines FEI World Cup Final (in 2010, 2006 and 2003).

The French riders led by their current Olympic champion team

The four French current Olympic champions, Pénélope Leprévost, Roger-Yves Bost, Philippe Rozier and Kevin Staut, currently World number 15, will all be present for a leg in Lyon that has already proved lucky for two of them: in 2014, Bosty won the Longines FEI World Cup leg in Lyon with Qoud'Coeur de la Loge; the following year, it was the turn of the best French lady rider to shine before the Lyon audience, with Flora de Mariposa.



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Alongside the current Olympic champions, we can also count on the twentieth best rider in the World rankings, Simon Delestre from Lorraine, who won in Lyon in 2017, riding his outstanding Hermès Ryan. Olivier Robert from Gironde, who came fourth last weekend in the Norwegian leg of the Longines FEI World Cup, will also be there, as will Julien Epailard, Félicie Bertrand, and the partner rider of GL events, the organiser of the Longines Equita Lyon Concours Hippique International, Olivier Perreau from Loire, the recent winner of the FEI World Cup leg in Tetouan (Morocco).

In total, the four current Olympic team champions, as well as the current Olympic individual champion, Switzerland's Martin Fuchs and Belgium's European team champion, Pieter Devos, will all be in Lyon, from 30 October to 3 November, to compete in what they all agree is "one of the best legs" of the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup.

. The Longines Grand Prix, a qualifier for the Equita Masters presented by Hermès Sellier and for the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ : Friday 1 November, at 8pm

. The Equita Masters presented by Hermès Sellier, Saturday 2 November at 8.30pm

. The Longines FEI Jumping World Cup™ : Sunday 3 November, at 2pm

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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

From 30 October to 03 November 2019 at Lyon-Eurexpo.

- . Open every day from 8.30 am to 8.30pm.
 - . Apart from on Thursday 31 October, from 7.30am to 8.30pm (access to the international arena's stands from 7.30am for the FEI Dressage World Cup™ Grand Prix which will start at 8am)
 - . And apart from on Sunday 3 November, from 8.30am to 7pm,
- Information and reservations on equitalyon.com

EXHIBITION TICKETS

- . Free for children under 6 years of age and disabled people
- . Full price: € 21
- . Reduced rates: French Equestrian Federation (FFE) licence holders, students and holders of Pass Région cards, groups of 15 people and more, € 18¹
- . Children from 6 to 12 years of age: € 13
- . 5 day-pass: € 60
- . Family pass (2 adults and 2 children under 16 years of age): €55 (only sold onsite)

“SPORT AND SHOW” EVENING TICKETS

- . Friday 1 November, at 7.30pm*, show jumping: from €36²
The Longines Grand Prix followed by the equestrian show *Couleurs* by the French Republican Guard
 - . Saturday 2 November, at 8pm*, show jumping: from €36²
The Equita Masters presented by Hermès Sellier, followed by the equestrian show *Couleurs* by the French Republican Guard
 - . Sunday 3 November, at 1.30 pm*, the Longines FEI Jumping World Cup leg: from €36²
- *Times likely to be modified.*

1 Reservations are required for group prices: no group prices will be granted at the entrance of the exhibition. For FFE members, students and holders of Pass Region cards: please include a copy of your card when you place your order and present it at the entrance of the exhibition.

2 Subject to availability.

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