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Press Release

LAAX OPEN 2021 SLOPESTYLE FINALISTS DETERMINED



(LAAX, Switzerland - 20 January 2021) – With the renowned LAAX OPEN, the FIS Snowboard Tour opens the 2020/21 season for Slopestyle and Halfpipe. The multi-award-winning freestyle winter destination LAAX presented itself in its brilliant best light to the World Cup circuit at Crap Sogn Gion: lightning-blue skies, the best snow conditions, the immense pipe and an innovative Slopestyle course. It being precisely this course that was the focus of the contest action today. As winners of today's semi-finals, two-time Olympic Slopestyle champion Jamie Anderson (USA) and Moritz Boll (SUI) are entering the finals on Friday, 22 January 2021 with confidence.

Over the course of the morning, the women began securing one of the 8 places in the finals. The favourites clearly prevailed, as, in addition to the Semi-Final winner Jamie Anderson (USA), Zoi Sadowski Synnott (NZL), Hailey Langland (USA), Laurie Blouin (CAN) and Big Air Olympic champion Anna Gasser (AUT), the strong Japanese Reira Iwabuchi and Kokomo Murase also qualified for the finals. Unbeatable today was four-time LAAX winner Jamie Anderson. The experienced and seasoned US-American showed her class with two very rock solid runs. She was already in the lead after the first run, but rather than resting on her laurels, she instead improved her score in the second run. Among others, Jamie showed a Cab Double Underflip 900 Weddle and Frontside 720 Weddle at the kickers. Only Zoi Sadowski Synnott (NZL) came close with a lot of style.

The afternoon continued with the men. The young Swiss Moritz Boll, who caused a sensation in the qualification yesterday with the second highest score of the day, was already in the lead after the first run. None of his competitors could challenge him and as it stands, Moritz is the lucky winner of today's semi-finals. Behind him in second place was his compatriot, Nicolas Huber. The Swiss were generally very strong, as Moritz Thoenen and Jonas Boesiger also made it into finals of the best twelve. Germany's Leon Vockensperger surprised in third place and the qualifying winner Mons Roisland secured his ticket to the finals in 7th place, as did his Norwegian team mates Torgeir Bergrem and Marcus Kleveland. With the performances shown today, the suspense is enormous as to what Friday's finals 22.01.2021 will bring as of 13:15! This time, audiences can follow the [action live digitally on the web and on TV](#), but not as spectators on site.

Tomorrow, the Halfpipe specialists will show their skills in the impressive Superpipe in the women's and men's semi-finals.

The full results are available [here](#) and in the press [dropbox](#), where further image material and media information is available for editorial publication.

All information about the event can also be found at www.laax.com/open.

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