

## PREVIEW MEN'S SLALOM GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN – Wednesday 4 Jan 2023

### Henrik Kristoffersen

- Henrik Kristoffersen (21) is fourth in the all-time list for most slalom victories in the men's World Cup, behind Ingemar Stenmark (40), Alberto Tomba (35) and Marcel Hirscher (32).
- Kristoffersen has won the last two slalom World Cup events in Garmisch-Partenkirchen (both in February 2022) and he can equal Alberto Tomba on a record three slaloms wins here (1993-1995).
- Kristoffersen's two wins in Garmisch-Partenkirchen in February 2022 are his most recent slalom World Cup victories.
- Kristoffersen can become the first Norwegian to win the opening men's World Cup event of a calendar year (any discipline).
- Kristoffersen (9) can become the fourth man to win a slalom World Cup in at least 10 different years, after Stenmark (13), Tomba (12) and Hirscher (10).
- Kristoffersen can also join Aksel Lund Svindal (12), Kjetil André Aamodt (10) and Lasse Kjus (10) as the Norwegian men to have won a World Cup event in any discipline in at least 10 different years.

### Daniel Yule

- Daniel Yule won the men's slalom World Cup in Madonna di Campiglio on 22 December. It was his fifth slalom World Cup win, most of all Swiss men.
- Yule could win successive slalom World Cups for the second time, after wins in Madonna di Campiglio and Adelboden in January 2020.
- In the last 14 years one Swiss man won the opening men's World Cup event of the new calendar year and that was Marco Odermatt in the giant slalom in Adelboden on 8 January 2022.

### Other contenders

- **Six different men** have reached the podium in the two men's slalom World Cup events this season.
- **Lucas Braathen** won the first men's slalom World Cup event of this season, in Val d'Isère on 11 December. He also won the giant slalom in Alta Badia on 18 December. This is the first season in which he has won multiple individual World Cup events.
- **Linus Straßer** was third in the men's slalom in Garmisch-Partenkirchen on 27 February 2022. He could become the third German to win the men's slalom here, after Christian Neureuther in 1974 and his son Felix Neureuther in 2010.

- **Clément Noël** won Olympic gold in the men's slalom event at the Beijing 2022 Winter Games.
- Noël (9) is joint-second alongside Patrick Russel (9) in France's all-time list for most slalom victories in the men's World Cup, behind only Jean Noël Augert (13).
- **Manuel Feller** could become the third Austrian man to win a slalom World Cup event in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, after Mario Matt (2007) and Reinfried Herbst (2008).
- **Italy** (6 wins, 14 podium finishes) leads all countries in most men's World Cup slalom wins and podiums in Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

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