

## PREVIEW MIXED TEAM NORMAL HILL/2X2.5KM + 2X5KM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS PLANICA – Sunday 26 Feb 2023

- This event is the only new addition to the programme of the FIS Nordic Ski World Championships. In 2021, the women's Nordic combined event made its debut at these world championships.
- Neither the women's nor the mixed team event will be included in the Milano Cortina2026 Winter Olympics.
- This event has been held twice in the World Cup. **Norway** took the victory on both occasions: in Val di Fiemme on 7 January 2022 (ahead of Austria and Germany) and in Otepää on 6 January 2023 (ahead of Germany and Austria).
- Jørgen Graabak, Marie Leinan Lund, Gyda Westvold Hansen and Jens Lurås Oftedal handed Norway the win in Val di Fiemme. There was one change in their line-up in Otepää: Ida Marie Hagen took part instead of Marie Leinan Lund.
- Gyda Westvold Hansen has won the mixed team event at the Winter Youth Olympics (2020), the FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships (2020, 2021) and the World Cup (2022, 2023).
- Westvold Hansen is the only Nordic combined skier to have claimed a medal in the mixed team event at each of those three competitions.
- Lisa Hirner and Annalena Slamik were part of the Austrian team to win the gold medal in the mixed team event at the 2023 FIS Nordic Junior World Ski Championships in Whistler on 4 February.
- Hirner, Slamik and Lukas Greiderer represented **Austria** in both mixed team events in the World Cup. Martin Fritz completed the team in Val di Fiemme, Franz-Josef Rehrl in Otepää.
- **Germany** used seven different Nordic combined skiers in the two mixed team World Cup events. Only Jenny Nowak was part of the team on both occasions.
- **Japan** came fourth in the mixed team World Cup event in 2022 (0:07 off the podium). **Finland** finished fourth in the mixed team World Cup event in 2023 (1:30 behind third place).

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