

PREVIEW Men TEAM - LARGE HILL – Friday 15 Feb 2019

Austria

- Last weekend, Austria won the team event in Lahti, ending a winning drought of 12 team events in the World Cup.
- Gregor Schlierenzauer was part of Austria's winning squad in Lahti. He claimed a record 17th World Cup victory in team events, surpassing Thomas Morgenstern on 16.
- Austria could win successive team events in the World Cup for the first time since March 2014 (Lahti, Planica).
- Austria has collected 13 World Cup team podiums in Willingen, one shy of the record by one nation in a single ski resort: 14 by Austria in Lahti.
- Austria has only won more World Cup team events in Lahti (8) than in Willingen (4).

Germany

- Germany is the only nation to have finished on the podium in the last four team events in the World Cup. Germany finished second on three occasions and won once in this run, in Zakopane on 19 January 2019.
- Germany could claim multiple World Cup team victories in a season for the fourth time, after 2015/16 (2), 2014/15 (2) and 2012/13 (2).
- Germany has won three World Cup team events in Willingen, joint-most for the nation at a single ski resort. Germany has also won three team events in Zakopane.
- Only Austria (4) has won the Willingen team event more often in the World Cup than Germany (3).
- Germany has claimed 12 World Cup podiums in team events in Willingen, most for the nation in a single ski resort (next 10 in Lahti).
- Germany has finished on the podium in each of the last seven World Cup team events in Willingen. Austria and Norway follow on five podiums each in this time span.

Other contenders

- **Poland** won the last World Cup team event held in Willingen, on 28 January 2017. Only Slovenia (2013 and 2015) has won successive World Cup team events in Willingen.
- **Norway** recorded a 10th, eighth and ninth place in the last three World Cup team events. Norway had finished on the podium in 10 consecutive World Cup team events prior to this season, including eight victories.
- Norway has won the Willingen team event three times in the World Cup, equal to Germany and only trailing Austria (4) for most.
- Norway has collected 10 World Cup podiums in the team event in Willingen, third-most behind Austria (13) and Germany (12). Norway has only finished on more team podiums in Lahti (13) and Planica (13).

- **Japan** finished third in the team event in Lahti last weekend. The last time Japan claimed successive podium finishes in World Cup team events was in February 2016 (Oslo and Kuopio).
- Japan has won four team events in the World Cup, but not since winning in Salt Lake City on 19 January 2001.
- **Slovenia** has yet to claim its first World Cup podium in a team event this season. Slovenia had claimed a World Cup team podium in each of the previous eight seasons (2010/11 to 2017/18).

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