

"Viessmann" FIS, Sprint World Cup Classic,

Invitation to competitors and officials to Drammen, March 11th 2010

We wish you all a warm and snowy welcome to our city for a spectacular cross country sprint race.

Date:	March 11 th 2010. First start at 1330 hours.
Venue:	City center of Drammen. The course starts at the market place, rises up to the lawns around the Bragernes Cathedral, descends between the historic Town Hall and the old Fire Station, through the Market place, around the fountain and statue commemorating Saint Hallvard, where it climbs back to the finish line in front of the Cathedral stairway. See pictures, profile and map that are available on our web site. Elevation 3 - 28 meter above sea level.
Training	Our ski-stadium at Konnerud, approx 180 meter above sea level, 7 km from the city-centre, is open for training beginning Monday. Lighted courses can be used at night. Your attaché will help with transport and road directions.
Drammen:	The city of Drammen has 62 500 inhabitants and is the regional centre for Buskerud with 255 000 inhabitants. The city is only 42 kilometres west of Oslo and offers good motorway and rail connections to Oslo and Oslo airport Gardermoen. For more information see: http://www.drammen.kommune.no (in Norwegian, German and English)
Konnerud Sportsclub, web-site:	Main organizer, see: www.worldcupdrammen.no (In Norwegian, English, and German) Konnerud Sports Club is 83 years old and is the largest and most active ski-club in the Buskerud region.

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Snow:	We will produce excellent artificial snow at Konnerud and will truck in and cover the tracks, starting on the Sunday before the event.
Competition Program	Thursday March 11 th 1330 - 1500 hours Prologue Thursday March 11 th 1545 - 1700 hours Finals
Other events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entertainment from the open air stage at the market place before and after the race. • A childrens sprint race will take place on March 10th, right after the team captains meeting. The tracks will be the same as for the competition, however not the complete course. Several thousand spectators are expected and approx. 1.500 children will participate.
Registration	<p>We need you to e-mail or send us:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The FIS standard entry form for competitors • The FIS standard entry form for officials • Hotel accommodation form. • Transportation requirements <p>You will find the requested forms at our web-site: www.worldcupdrammen.no</p> <p>Please fill in the correct FIS-number, name and year of birth of all athletes and officials on the competitor entry form.</p>
Deadline for entrance and accommodation:	<p>The registration forms have to be returned to the organizer no later than <u>February 10th</u>.</p> <p>Late changes of entry should be confirmed in writing no later than March 10th at 1300 hours.</p>
Press / media invitation	<p>A press and media invitation will be mailed separately. If you want to receive the media invitation, contact our Chief of Press at: finn-egil.holm@drmk.no or look it up at our web site.</p>
Participation	The number of participants in all World Cup competitions is according to the FIS Rules.
Prizes	According to FIS-rules. Prize money will be paid in Euro.
Economy	The organizer will reimburse the accommodation in Drammen for the athletes and their officials according to the FIS Rules (in Euro).

Transport service	<p>Transportation from the airport to Oslo/Holmenkollen and to Drammen will be arranged.</p> <p>For athletes travel costs will be reimbursed according to FIS regulations for the Cross- Country Worldcup – and after taxreduction – in EURO by the OC.</p> <p>We will also offer transportation after the competition from Drammen back to the Oslo Airport Gardermoen. For those participating in Holmenkollen transportation to Oslo will be available.</p>
Accommodation:	<p>The First Hotel Ambassadeur is an excellent hotel near the city-center. It is across the river from the market place and in walking-distance to the event.</p> <p>The OC will take care of lodging costs for the men and women, according to FIS regulations, from March 9th to March 12th. In case the number of competitors and officials is less than entered, no-show will still need to be paid.</p> <p>Please fill in the accommodation form and return it before February 10th 2010.</p>
Insurance	<p>All athletes have to be insured through their national ski federation.</p> <p>The organizer is not responsible for any injury to a person or any damage to property.</p> <p>All attendants have to be covered by an adequate insurance policy which insures for accidents, illness and civil liability.</p>
Competition Rules	<p>The competitions will be held in compliance with FIS Competition Rules.</p>
Doping Control	<p>Anti - Doping testing may take place during the event.</p>
Local Transport service	<p>We offer free transport service from First Hotel Ambassadeur to the training arena at Konnerud. Approx 10 min. with car.</p>
Attaché service	<p>There will be a service desk staffed with attaches at the First Hotel Ambassadeur. Team captains will be provided with all necessary information concerning competitions, team captains meetings, weather reports, social events etc.</p>
Team Captains	<p>Will be held at the City Hall,</p>

meetings:	Tentative schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday March 10th at 1600 hours • Thursday March 14th March at approx. 1445 hours (race-office) 	
Observers	We will prepare a special program and an observation site near the start/finish for officials from other nations and World Cup organizers, please mail a request to The Chief Secretary for a special accreditation, wc@worldcupdrammen.no	
TV-coverage	Norwegian national television and several European channels will directly transmit the Sprint races.	
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