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Dear athletes and trainers,  
Dear guests and friends of skiing,  
Once again the world will turn to Bulgaria as Bansko is welcoming AUDI FIS Ladies' Alpine Ski WORLD CUP Bansko 2015.  
I'm convinced that the magic of the white sport will fascinate all of us who will live with the challenge of the race and witness the events, which will hold our breath.  
That biggest and the most authoritative winter sport forum will give the unique opportunity to join the efforts of all responsible authorities, organizations and institutions, of the public and the government, of the athletes and all who help them give the best.  
Accepting to host the two events of the Men and Ladies' World Cup, Bulgaria once again makes a step ahead at the world ski scene. We will witness the most attractive disciplines of alpine skiing, which will be a real challenge in front of us as organizers and hosts.  
I want to express my gratitude to all those did their best and made all efforts in their work for the popularizations of our sport and our ski resorts.  
I wish success to all athletes and their teams!  
Let Bulgaria be the place where your dreams for reaching the top come true! I wish you successful races and unforgettable moments in Bansko.  
Good Luck!  
EVGENIA RADANOVA  
Minister of Youth and Sport



Dear Ski Friends,  
On behalf of the Bulgarian Ski Federation, I am pleased to welcome all of you here in our country for the Ladies 2015 FIS Alpine Ski World Cup Bansko event. We are very proud to have you here in the heart of the Balkans, at the foot of the magnificent Pirin Mountains, and we aim to combine this skiing festival with an exciting experience and true friendship in new united Europe.  
We are sure that these prestigious skiing competitions will make you leave a piece of your heart in the Bansko area. We also strongly believe that all our visitors, especially our future winners, will keep great memories of the warm hospitality offered by the community of Bansko and the unforgettable beauty of the Pirin mountains. On the other hand, our spectators will remember the fair play and the sportsmanship demonstrated by all the athletes while fighting hard to achieve their potential. It's definitely our main goal to create a unique atmosphere during our World Cup week that will make it really special for everybody!  
The members of the National Ski Federation and the Organizing Committee have been working hard in past years to overcome difficult challenges and produce excellent competitions when organizing FIS, European Cup or World Cup races in the attempt to consolidate Bulgaria's place on the map of major international skiing and sports event. So we hope you'll enjoy the coming World Cup stage here.  
I would like to thank you again for coming here and wish all participants "Good Luck!"  
Yours truly,  
Tzako Minev  
President, Bulgarian Ski Federation  
Chairman OC



Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Allow me to compare downhill skiing to writing with light. This is my heartfelt wish – that each of you may experience his or her light story in the town below Todorka. May some of you carve their biggest or first success in this fantastic winter sport! May others have an unforgettable experience in contact with the charming nature of Pirin! And for the rest have a memorable time in the special cosiness, traditional and comfort of Bansko.  
All of us – organizers and hosts- have devoted our best efforts to make this event happen. I do hope that you will feel also the extraordinary hospitality of the native people in my town, who will once more open their homes and hearts to you.  
Welcome to Bansko, a town that will always look forward to welcoming you, and would be honoured to have the privilege of being a co-author in your unique ski story engraved with light on the ridge of Pirin.  
  
Georgi Ikononov  
Mayor of The Municipality of Bansko

# LADIES

## SUPER G, ALPINE COMBINED (SG)



LINDSEY VONN (USA) 18.10.1984



Lindsey Vonn, the only American to have clinched the overall World Cup four times between 2008 and 2012, is by far the most successful US alpine ski racer on the tour with a total of 59 World Cup wins in all disciplines and 13 crystal globes captured in downhill Super-G and Super-combined from December 2004 to March 2013.

The now 30-year-old athlete from Vail also clinched three gold medals in downhill and Super-G at the 2009 FIS Worlds at Val d'Isère and the 2010 Olympics at Vancouver.

A very hard working champion, Lindsey Vonn has been aiming for high goals at the start of the 15th World Cup season after sustaining a series of bad knees injuries in February at Schladming and in training in November 2013 – such as improving the record of 62 World Cup wins by Austria's Annemarie Moser-Proell who dominated the women's circuit in the 1970s.

Vonn also achieved a series of other unusual 'performances' in recent years such as showing her attractive and very fit body in Sports Illustrated's 2010 swim suit issue! That year she was also named Laureus World Sports Awards Sportswoman of the Year. She got even more famous in USA since starting to date golf's superstar Tiger Woods more than two years ago.

In March 2009 and 2012, Lindsey won the difficult Super G a Bansko and was 3rd in the downhill once.

LARA GUT (Switzerland) 27.04.1991



Double silver medalist in downhill and Super-Combined at the 2009 Val d'Isère FIS Worlds, Lara Gut clinched two more medals in Super-G and downhill in 2013 at Schladming and in 2014 at the Olympics. Her tremendous season-start marked by three consecutive victories in three different specialties at Soelden and Beaver Creek put her soon high up in the overall World Cup standings that she seems able to dominate very soon. Finally, the tough Swiss athlete grabbed her first crystal globe in Super-G and ended the overall standings in 3rd place. With her seven victories (ten in total until March 2014), she was the most successful racer during the past season.

Lara trains in the summer with her dad Pauli but travels and lives in the winter with the Swiss team. At only 15 she entered her first FIS race in Las Lenas, in Argentina – a slalom that she finished 2nd behind local veteran Macarena Simari Birkner. A year later, she was already on the World Cup tour at Lienz, in Austria, and scored her first podium soon afterwards in Super-G at St. Moritz.

The determined skier from the Italian-speaking southern part of Switzerland known as Ticino also enjoyed her first World Cup win in Super-G in St Moritz in December 2008! In fall 2009 Lara badly injured herself while training in Saas Fee, dislocating her hip during a crash. She missed the whole 2010 season and had to work hard to recover from that painful injury.

Fortunately, she didn't need much time to come back! In January 2011, in Altenmarkt, the Swiss blonde who fluently speaks five languages won again a Super G. Lara is aiming for her first podium this season at Bansko after ending 4th and 5th in downhill in 2009.

TINA MAZE (Slovenia) 02.05.1983



A multiple gold medal winner at all major events since 2011, Tina Maze established a series of impressive records in 2013 clinching the overall World Cup trophy with a new point-record and 11 wins celebrated in all specialties. The charming Slovenian who competes since the late 1990s on the circuit may well conclude her splendid career at the end of the present season. She clinched a total of ten medals from 2001 to 2014 including 4 in gold. One of only five champions having excelled in all five current World Cup disciplines, Tina deserves special credit for her outstanding achievements as she has put together her own training group "Team to aMaze" in 2008 in order to fully achieve her potential. An excellent piano player, Tina became a popular singer with her hit "My way is my decision" and was also involved in the production of nice jewelry. The very determined veteran already reached the podium in downhill and Super-G at Bansko where she aims for her first win this year.

ANNA FENNINGER (Austria) 18.08.1989



One of the most promising junior competitors a few years ago, Anna Fenninger fully confirmed her huge potential last winter three years after capturing an unexpected gold medal in Super Combined at the 2011 World Championships. The attractive Austrian, who made her World Cup debut at the 2006 Finals in Are, Sweden, where she qualified as the new junior World Champion, celebrated a sensational triumph in the 2014 overall standings at Lenzerheide a few weeks after enjoying a superb Olympic gold medal in Super-G at Sochi. A very complete skier excelling in the speed events and in giant slalom, Anna definitely is a great fighter on snow. Yet she also proved her good heart a few years ago when she decided to defend the cause of cheetahs in Namibia thru the organization of #savethecheetah ([www.cheetah.org](http://www.cheetah.org))... She participates in many promotional activities to help the cause of these superb wild animals, including producing a very nice calendar sold on internet.

# LADIES

## SUPER G, ALPINE COMBINED (SG)



TINA WEIRATHER  
(Liechtenstein) 24. 05. 1989



Tina Weirather has already proven that she is way more than just the daughter of two great champions from the 1970s and 1980s, Hanni Wenzel and Harti Weirather who both enjoyed great success in medal events and on the World Cup tour. Unfortunately a series of serious accidents and injuries prevented the racer from tiny Liechtenstein to collect the big trophies she has been aiming for since starting her international career ten years ago in October 2005 at Soelden. Tina, who came very close to celebrate her maiden World Cup win at Bansko in 2012, losing the Super-G by only 5/100 of a second to USA's Lindsey Vonn, suffered one of her numerous setbacks at Sochi last year, failing to compete in any Olympic race after injuring herself at her lower right leg during a crash while training downhill there. Her numerous top-3 results and her wins in Super-G and in giant slalom on challenging courses made her one of the top contenders for victory in the overall standings. As her mother used to Tina trains and travels with the Swiss team.

DOMINIQUE GISIN  
(Switzerland) 04.06.1985



After years of hard fights and a dozen of serious injuries, Dominique Gisin finally collected the fruit of her great talent and her determination at Sochi claiming gold in downhill along Slovenia's Tina Maze becoming the first Swiss to do so thirty years after Michaela Figini's first major triumph at Sarajevo. Dominique whose brother Marc and sister Michela are also members of the Swiss Ski Team, could have excelled earlier at that level with more luck in her career and less injuries in past years. One of them nearly prevented her to compete at 2010 Vancouver Olympics where she suffered a bad concussion after crashing near the arrival of the downhill. Interestingly enough, she also shared her first World Cup victory in downhill at Zauchensee with another racer – that time it was Sweden's Anja Paerson! A very smart student in physics in her younger years, Dominique loves flying a lot as much as playing golf in the summer. She managed at 20 to successfully pass her exams to become a jet pilot in the Swiss army yet decided afterwards to focus on her ski racing career.

ANDREA FISCHBACHER  
(Austria) 14.10.1985



Life has not been so easy for Andrea Fischbacher in the seasons following her Olympic victory in Super-G at Vancouver! The first downhill winner at Bansko back in February 2009 went thru very frustrating times in the next four seasons. In fact she had to wait the downhill at Crans-Montana in March 2014 to celebrate another great win and erase her disappointment to have missed the Sochi Olympics in February because of lack of good result!

In the meantime, the former Europa Cup winner and double junior World Champion skied less than twenty times under the top-10 yet far from the podium. Andrea, who leaves south west from Salzburg is at nearly 30 one of the veterans on the team as she is competing in her 12th World Cup season since her debuts on the circuit back in March 2004 at Sestriere. Interestingly enough, Fischbacher is also a distant cousin of Hermann "Herminator" Maier who grew up in nearby Flachau.

JULIA MANCUSO  
(USA) 09.03.1984



Starting her World Cup career in November 1999 in Copper Mountain, Colorado, at the tender age of 15, California's Julia Mancuso is now the veteran of the US Ski Team with her 400 World Cup starts - and a role model too with her numerous medals (9 in total) clinched in the last ten years at major events, starting with her Olympic triumph in giant slalom at Turin 2006. The outgoing kite-surfer who likes to spend as much time as possible at the sea in Maui (Hawaii) definitely likes to fight hard in big events and on challenging courses. Her excellent technique background helped her to excel in difficult downhill and Super-G races. Julia reached 35 podiums and won seven competitions in four disciplines until March 2014. She was 8th in Super-G at Bansko back in 2012.

ELISABETH GOERGL  
(Austria) 20.02.1981



One of the few top-racers having reached podiums in all disciplines, Elisabeth "Lizzi" Goergl also clinched several medals in various metals at Olympic Games and World Championships including twice gold in the speed events at Garmisch-Partenkirchen 2011. The daughter of Traudl Hecher who claimed Olympic bronze in downhill in 1960 and 1964, Goergl won the overall Europa Cup standings in 2003 yet failed afterwards to capture any crystal globe on the World Cup tour despite her great potential. Last winter, she celebrated back-to-back victories in downhill and Super-G at Zauchensee and Cortina d'Ampezzo before suffering a bad crash in Italy in downhill. She finished far from the podium at Sochi yet found back her momentum in March to take 4th and 2nd place in the last two downhill races held in Switzerland. An excellent singer, "Lizzi" was honored for her two World Championship titles with a Austrian post stamp presented in fall 2011.

MARION ROLLAND  
(France) 17.10.1982



The first French downhiller ever to clinch gold on the slope at World Championships – Schladming 2013 – Marion Rolland mostly aimed for a safe season at the start of this winter after suffering a bad knee injury while training in summer 2013 in Chile. She could not race the following winter yet felt pretty confident after her long rehabilitation. Her podium finishes in the speed events at the 2012 World Cup Finals at Schladming strongly confirmed her potential to become the next French athlete to excel in those disciplines. A series of crashes and injuries prevented Marion to sooner achieve her potential – she had to wait until the first downhill at Bansko in February 2009 to finally reach her first top-10 place on the World Cup tour. In 2010, she tore once again ligaments at her knee falling out of the starting gate of the Olympic downhill at Whistler Mountain.

# ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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Bojan Panovski	Finish Referee

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CASE	Logistics – finish area
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**SG L**  
 Course name: „Marc Girardelli”  
 Vertical Drop 600 m  
 Start 2215 m  
 Finish 1615 m

TEAMS' PROGRAMME  
 LADIES  
 Alpine Combined /SG/



26 FEBRUARY 2015 Thursday  
 Arrivals of the teams

27 FEBRUARY 2015 Friday  
 10:00-11:00 Free skiing on the competition slope  
 17:00 Team captains' meeting – hotel Strazhite  
 18:00 Official opening – Bansko Main Square

28 FEBRUARY 2015 Saturday  
**FIRST COMPETITION DAY**  
 11:15 Super Giant Slalom  
 17:00 Team captains' meeting – hotel Strazhite  
 18:00 Award ceremony and Public draw

01 MARCH 2015 Sunday  
**SECOND COMPETITION DAY**  
 Alpine Combined (SG)  
 10:00 SG  
 13:00 Slalom  
 14:00 Award ceremony – Finish area  
 16:00 Departure of the teams

# WELCOME TO BANSKO

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Bansko can be astoundingly diverse and cater for all tastes – from modern age buffs to admirers of the authentic. The town has preserved its ancient cobbled streets and houses, some of which date back to a hundred years. This is where Bansko's unique charm stems from. The houses look like monasteries with their high stonewalls and small shuttered windows. The real Bulgarian spirit is hidden behind fortified walls and heavy gates in spacious rooms with wood-carved ceilings and doors, hand-woven carpets and embroidered cushions, in the murals, icons and the fine iconostasis of the Saint Trinity church.

The unique atmosphere of the town at the foot of the Pirin Mountain is enriched by the characteristic sonority of Bansko male singing, the local sense of humor, the mature red wine and the delicious dishes of traditional Bansko cuisine. The strange feel of the air is one of the most impressive experiences in Bansko – something like smoke or smoldering pine. The magic feeling of something cozy and snug. In the numerous local taverns with the exotic name „Mehana“ you can sit comfortably, smile, feel the warmth of the open fire and enjoy the soft flavor and the delicious taste of the local sausage called „Old man“.



„Да, GPS-ът  
ми показва  
пътя.“

Аз избрах  
га се изгубя.“



ти вогии

## ACCOMMODATION

All teams will be accommodated at the 4-star hotel "Strazhite" and similar in Bansko Town. The accommodation costs will be settled in accordance with the Rules for the Alpine FIS Ski World Cup 2014/2015. The following will be provided at the venue hotel "Strazhite":

- Welcome and Info Desk
- Accreditation Office
- Main Race Office
- Team Captains' Meeting Room
- Transportation Desk
- All meals
- Shuttle buses to the Gondola station and waxing rooms.

Contact person for accommodation:

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## TRANSPORTATION

The charter flight will be organized by FIS Travel. The transfer from Sofia Airport to Bansko for all teams from the charter flight will be provided.

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## ACCREDITATION

Team captains will receive teams' accreditations at the Race office in Hotel Strazhite.

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## SKI WAXING ROOMS

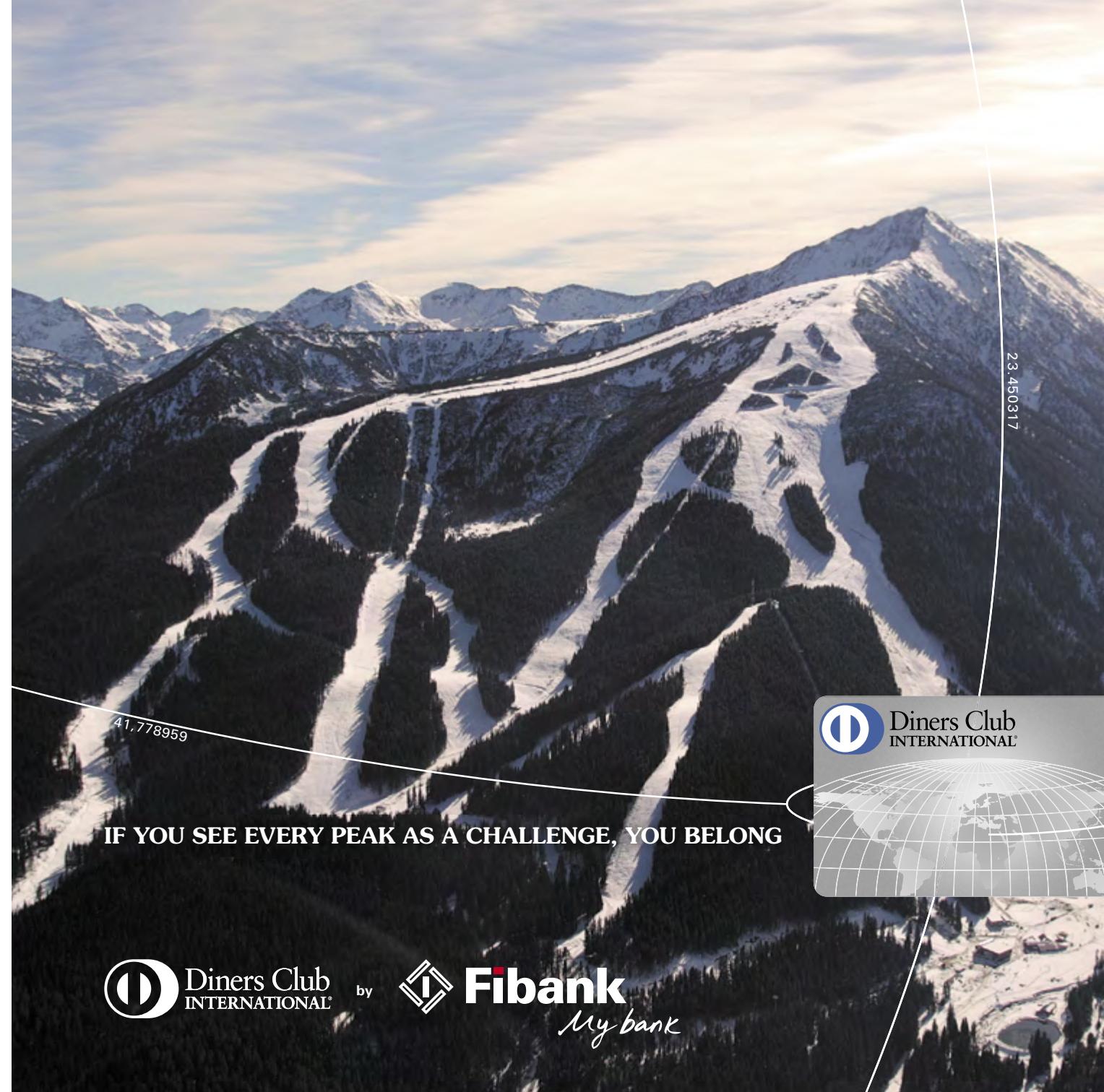
Ski waxing rooms are located next to the Gondola station. The facility is guarded 24/7 and is available for all the teams.

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IF YOU SEE EVERY PEAK AS A CHALLENGE, YOU BELONG



# GETTING THERE

**By car** Bansko lies in the South-Eastern part of Bulgaria, at the tip of the Pirin National Park. Once you arrive at the airport in Sofia or Plovdiv, there are a number of ways to travel to Bansko. Bansko lies two-and-a-half hours' drive from Sofia, although the journey time can lengthen to three or four hours on busier weekends. Quickest route is to take the main E79 south to Simitli, from where a well-marked east-bound turn leads over the Predela Pass to Bansko.

**By air** Closest airport: Sofia Airport.

**By bus** There are regular bus lines to major cities in Bulgaria.



- Approx. distance from Istanbul, Turkey – 600 km
- Approx. distance from Thessaloniki, Greece – 220 km
- Approx. distance from Belgrade, Serbia – 650 km
- Approx. distance from Skopje, FYROM – 200 km
- Approx. distance from Bucharest, Romania – 600 km

Sofia – Bansko	150 km
Thessaloniki – Bansko	220 km
Istanbul – Bansko	600 km



# FINISH AREA

- 1 - Restricted Coach Area
- 2 - Team Zone
- 3 - TV & Radio Zone
- 4 - Press Zone
- 5 - Photo Zone
- 6 - TV & Radio Commentators
- 7 - Warm Up & Start Zones
- 8 - Press Center
- 9 - IBC & TV Compound
- 10 - Guests & Industry
- 11 - VIP Tent
- 12 - Leader
- 13 - Audience
- 14 - Parking
- 15 - Helicopter Platform
- 16 - Medical Center
- 17 - Race Staff Corridor
- 18 - Time Keeping & Referees
- 19 - Info Panels
- 20 - Food & Beverage
- 21 - Sponsors' Area
- 22 - Doping Control
- 23 - Fun & Fan Area



## VENUE PLACE

The main viewing area for all events is in the Banderiza finish stadium next to the gondola upper station.

## FOOD & DRINKS

Numerous stands in the event areas serve up snacks along with hot and cold drinks. Bringing food or drinks of any kind, especially alcoholic beverages, onto the event grounds, is prohibited.  
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## SKI AREA

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|  | Banderitza 1 |  | Detska kotva |
|  | Banderitza 2 |  | Panica B     |
|  | Shiligarnik  |  | Vlek Chalin  |
|  | Chalin valog |  |              |
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|  | Chair lifts  |  | Shop         |
|  | Drag lifts   |  | Change       |
|  | Hut          |  | Cash Desk    |
|  | Snow mashine |  | Ski shool    |
|  | Rent a ski   |  | Range        |
|  | Parking      |  | First Aid    |
|  | Restaurant   |  | Funpark      |
|  | Light        |  |              |
|  | Light        |  | Middle       |
|  | Difficult    |  | Ski road     |

Altitude of highest ski run: 2600 m; Altitude of lowest ski run: 990 m; Total lenght of marked ski runs, including ski roads: 75 km  
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## SKI AREA

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**Ski and Snowboard Service** We offer fast high-quality ski and snowboard service, backed by the latest Microjet service equipment by the leading manufacturer Wintersteiger.

**ULEN Ski and Snowboard School** The best and the largest ski school in the region woffers highly-qualified ski and snowboard instructors, who speak your language. Courses range from beginners to advanced ski and snowboard.

**Junior Ski Club** Great news for children: We have a Junior Club ski kindergarten with 3 Baby drags, a Wonder Carpets baby track, and a Winter/Summer rotunda type Kinder Carousel.

**Ski Competitions** Bansko is organizer of European Ski Cup rounds and already is a regular host of AUDI FIS Ski World Cup event for both ladies and men. Other popular events are: FIS Pirin Cup, International Cup Kappi, Extreme Ski and Snowboard Competition Bansko and FIS Snowboard Competitions.

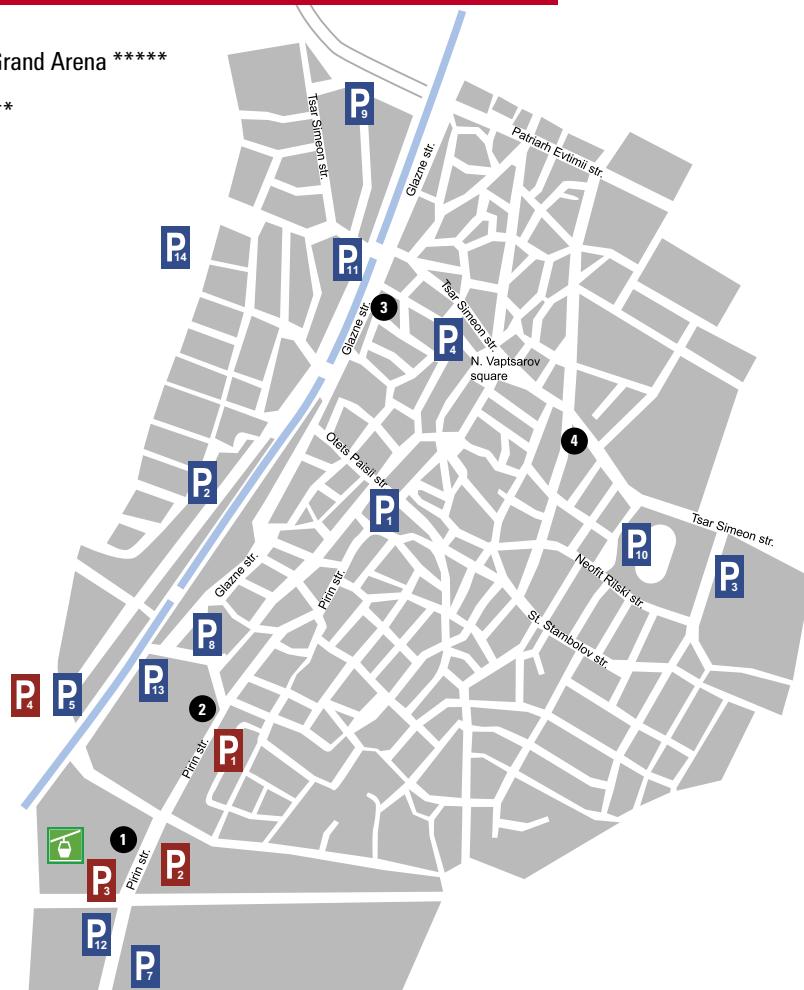


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- 1 Kempinski Hotel Grand Arena \*\*\*\*\*
- 2 Hotel Strazhite\*\*\*\*
- 3 Hotel Bansko\*\*\*\*
- 4 Hotel Pirin\*\*\*\*



## Free Parking

- P<sub>1</sub> – Otets Paisii str.
- P<sub>2</sub> – Ikonom Chuchulain str.
- P<sub>3</sub> – Drama str.
- P<sub>4</sub> – Tsar Simeon str.
- P<sub>5</sub> – Naiden Gerov str.
- P<sub>6</sub> – Motikata
- P<sub>7</sub> – PSS Pirin str.
- P<sub>8</sub> – Glazne str.
- P<sub>9</sub> – Patriarh Evtimii str.
- P<sub>10</sub> – Ivan Mihailov str.
- P<sub>11</sub> – Tsar Simeon str.
- P<sub>12</sub> – Pirin str.
- P<sub>13</sub> – Pere Toshev str.
- P<sub>14</sub> – Yavor str.

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- P<sub>1</sub> – Pirin str.
- P<sub>2</sub> – Pirin str.
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**Floors** 3, **Lifts** 3, **Units** 160

**Room types** Double rooms, apartments,  
maisonettes

**Typical room** Shower, WC, hair-dryer, mini-bar, cable TV, telephone,  
wireless internet, balcony

**Dining facilities** Restaurant, 2 lobby bars

**Public facilities** Swimming pool, fitness, sauna, massage, steam bath,  
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**Telephone**

+359 749 88051

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**Location**

Town centre,

10 minutes walk from the Gondola lift

**Floors 5, Lifts 2, Units 68**

**Room types** Single rooms, twin rooms, double rooms, double deluxe rooms, apartments

**Typical room** Shower, WC, hair-dryer, mini-bar, cable TV, telephone

**Dining facilities** Restaurant, mehana restaurant, night bar, lobby bar

**Public facilities** Swimming pool, fitness, sauna, solarium, massage, steam bath, billiards, table tennis, Internet and games room, souvenir shop, bank office, conference hall for up to 60 people, ski storage, safety deposit box



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**Typical room** Bath, WC, hair-dryer, mini-bar, cable-TV, telephone

**Dining facilities** Restaurant, lobby bar, room service

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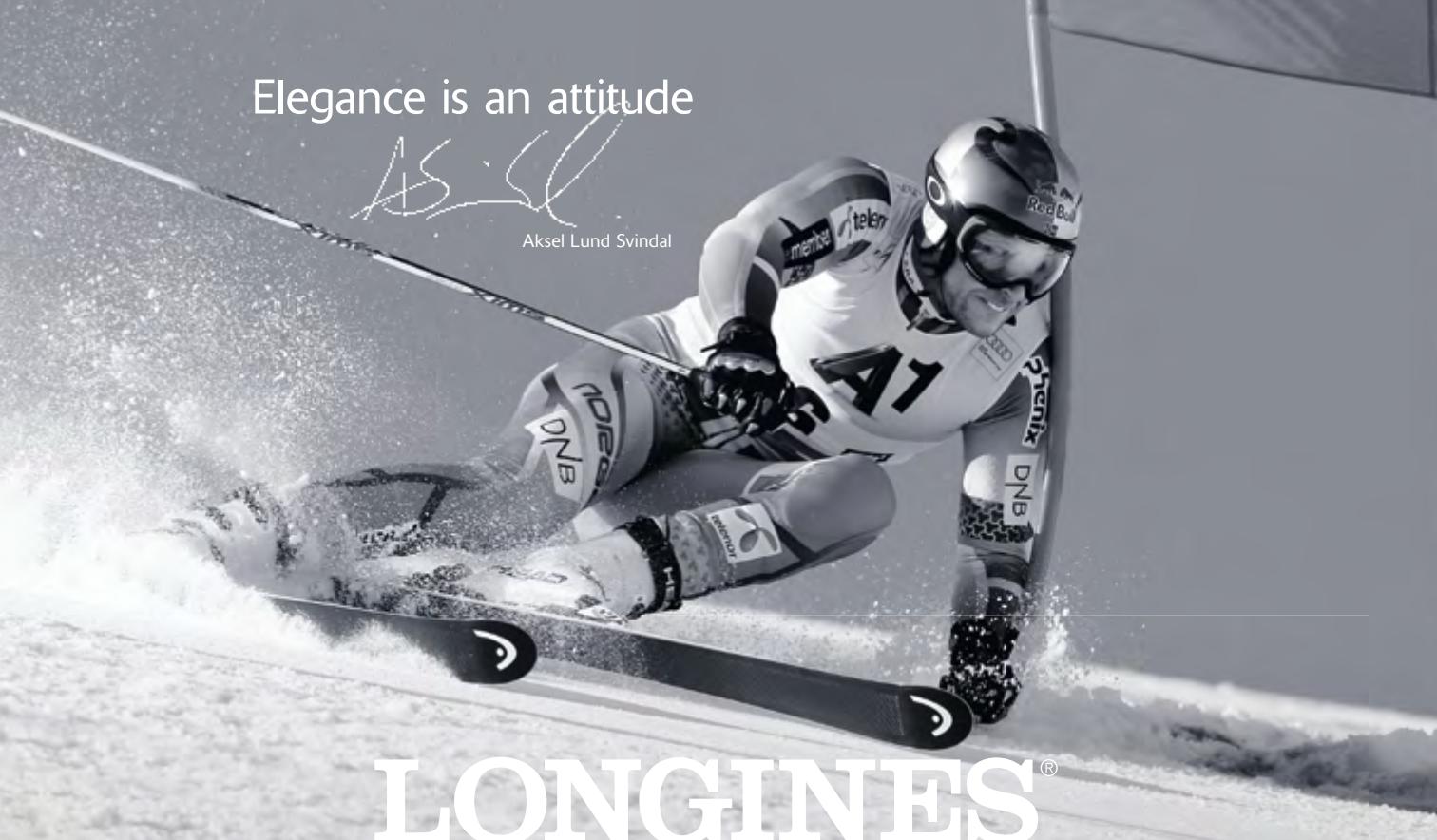
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