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FIS INSPECTION IN BORMIO - "NOW IS IN THE FOREFRONT"

This morning Marcus Waldner (Chief Race Director WC Men) and Hannes Trinkl (Race Director WC Men - Speed Events), together with Omar Galli (Race director), Pasquale Canclini (Representative for Società Impianti Bormio) and Chicco Pedrini (Safety officer), inspected the Stelvio piste in Bormio, where the two World Cup events will take place on December 28 (DH) and December 29 (Alpine Combined).

It was a long-planned visit and happened before the start of the World Cup circuit on October 28 - with the Men's and Women's giant slaloms in Soelden (Aut). In addition to the piste that the two FIS representatives already know, they verified the fiber optic connectivity that will allow television shots, the timing and all communications in complete security.

Marcus Waldner was fully satisfied: "Being back on the Stelvio is like going back to church. It's an important piste that's back in the circuit and that was awaited by athletes. Here everything is ready, snow only is missing and the snow guns have already been placed. Bormio has made a big technological investment and is now in the forefront. There's also a more powerful pumping system that takes water from the Frodolfo river coming down from Valfurva and will take it to the start, overcoming an over 1.000 mt. vertical drop. On December 15 we will monitor the snow conditions." However, inspections on the Stelvio are not over. Tomorrow, Emmanuel Couder (Fis Chief of safety for technical tests) will be on the Stelvio for what the Alpine combined slalom is concerned.

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