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## FIM Hard Enduro World Championship Introduces Junior World Cup

New for 2022, the FIM Hard Enduro World Championship will feature a dedicated FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Cup to recognize and help promote young, rising talent within the sport.

In a strong effort to raise the profile of young Hard Enduro competitors, a Junior category open to riders under the age of 22 (on January 1) will be introduced.

The goal for the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Cup is to provide a professional platform on which upcoming talent can compete in Hard Enduro at the highest level.

The Junior class will be fully integrated into the Pro category, with riders racing side-by-side with the world's best Hard Enduro riders, on the same tracks and at the same time.

This will in turn offer them an unrivalled opportunity to learn, improve, and grow, while also battling for position in the overall championship.

For the 2022 season, Junior riders will be awarded points at four European events. Eligible competitions include Xross, Red Bull Erzbergrodeo, Abestone Hard Enduro, and Hixpania Hard Enduro.

Keeping the selected rounds in Europe for 2022 will help to keep costs down and make participation more affordable for the primarily European-based Junior competitors.

For the inaugural season, the series will have the status of being the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Cup with the plan to elevate it to the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Championship.

For more information, visit: iridehardenduro.com

Winfried Kerschhaggl - FIM Hard Enduro World Championship Manager: "The objective for the Junior World Cup is to support and motivate upcoming talents, providing a platform that allows younger riders to showcase their talents, and also helps their teams to better market their efforts. Hopefully we can encourage teams to support and assist young competitors and in return raise their profile too. We firmly believe in our future world champions and the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Cup will help propel them in their journey to the pinnacle of Hard Enduro."

John Collins – FIM Enduro Commission Director: "It is good news that the Junior World Cup is now confirmed as part of the FIM Hard Enduro World Championship in 2022 and I have every confidence that it will progress to become a Junior World Championship. I am also pleased that it is actually integrated into the main Championship which should give the Junior riders the challenge they seek while still being able to compare their performance with that of the established stars."



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### 2022 FIM Hard Enduro World Championship

- Round 1: Minus 400 Israel, April 5/6/7
- Round 2: Xross Serbia, May 18/19/20/21
- Round 3: Red Bull Erzbergrodeo Austria, June 16/17/18/19
- Round 4: Abestone Hard Enduro Italy, July 9/10
- Round 5: Red Bull Romaniacs Romania, July 26/27/28/29/30
- Round 6: Red Bull TKO USA, August 13/14
- Round 7: Red Bull Outliers Canada, August 27/28
- Round 8: Hixpania Hard Enduro Spain, October 7/8/9

#### About the FIM (www.fim-moto.com)

The FIM (Fédération Internationale de Motocyclisme) founded in 1904, is the governing body for motorcycle sport and the global advocate for motorcycling. The FIM is an independent association formed by 116 National Federations throughout the world. It is recognised as the sole competent authority in motorcycle sport by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Among its 50 FIM World Championships the main events are MotoGP, Superbike, Endurance, Motocross, Supercross, Trial, Enduro, Cross-Country Rallies and Speedway. Furthermore, the FIM is also active and involved in the following areas: public affairs, road safety, touring and protection of the environment. The FIM was the first international sports federation to impose an Environmental Code in 1994.