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FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Championship Supported by KLIM announced For 2023

Continuing to develop the young talent of Hard Enduro, the FIM and WESS Promotion GmbH, the promoter of the FIM Hard Enduro World Championship are delighted to announce that the Junior class has been awarded full FIM world championship status for the coming season.

The championship will see renowned motorcycle apparel brand KLIM headline as the official class sponsor. KLIM are a global leader in designing, developing, and manufacturing the most advanced technical riding gear and motorsports apparel. Their robust, strong, and trusted riding gear, helmets, and protective equipment match perfectly with the unforgiving terrain and nature of Hard Enduro.

Building on its immediate success during 2022, the Junior category will continue to serve as an important platform for competitors aged between 16-22 years of age (on January 1) to showcase their skills.

Last year many great battles were witnessed, with South Africa's Matthew Green (Rigo Racing) going on to win the series. For 2023, the goal is simple - continue developing young talent and enable them to compete alongside the world's best riders, while also fighting for a world championship of their own.

For the coming season, the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Championship supported by KLIM will be staged across four rounds of the FIM Hard Enduro World Championship schedule. Xross Hard Enduro Challenge (Serbia), Red Bull Erzbergrodeo (Austria), Red Bull Abestone (Italy), and 24MX GetzenRodeo (Germany) will all offer point-scoring races for our Junior competitors.

John Collins - FIM Enduro Commission Director: *"It is a just reward for these young riders that their efforts will now be rewarded by including the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Championship into the series. I suspect the competition will be both exciting and hard fought and for sure we are likely to see a standard of riding that will surprise many. The future bodes well for these Juniors."*

Winfried Kerschhaggl - FIM Hard Enduro World Championship Manager: *"We're delighted to see the Junior category elevated to FIM world championship status for 2023. After launching the category in 2022, it was met with great interest and subsequently success. Serving as a platform to promote young talent within Hard Enduro, we witnessed some incredible battles throughout the season. We watched these young riders grow and as valuable experience was gained, they were also quickly pushing for top-10 results in the overall championship too. Now, with the class elevated to full FIM world championship status, we're excited for the season ahead. Our sport is growing and this announcement will serve our future world champions well on their journey to the pinnacle of Hard Enduro."*

Registration for the FIM Hard Enduro Junior World Championship supported by KLIM is now open on iridehardenduro.com.

DATE	EVENT	COUNTRY	FMNR	WORLD CHAMP	JUNIOR WORLD CHAMP
17-20 May	Xross	Serbia	AMSS	X	X
8-11 June	Red Bull Erzbergrodeo	Austria	AMF	X	X
7-9 July	Red Bull Abestone	Italy	FMI	X	X
25-29 July	Red Bull Romaniacs	Romania	FRM	X	
26-27 August	Red Bull Outliers	Canada	CMA	X	
13-15 October	24MX Hixpania Hard Enduro	Spain	RFME	X	
3-4 November	Getzen Rodeo	Germany	DMSB	X	X