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INTRO



Serge Revial

Mayor of Tignes

"During the Albertville Paralympic Games in 1992, Tignes hosted several events, marking the first step in our commitment to accessibility.

Over the past two seasons, the resort has hosted stages of the FIS Para Alpine Skiing World Cup and the 2025 Virtus Alpine Skiing World Championships. It is, therefore, only natural that we now host the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships.

We will draw on our experience in the organisation of major sporting events to ensure the overall success of the Championships and capitalise on the reputation of the event to further develop facilities for the disabled and adaptive skiing.

My thoughts are with Lou Braz-Dagand and Oscar Burnham, elite para-alpine skiers registered with the Tignes Sports Club, for whom these championships offer the chance to represent France on home soil.

The Lognan Stadium, specifically approved for the event, will once again stage a major competition with the participation of elite athletes from around the world."

"Proud to be hosting the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships, we will do everything we can to ensure a great celebration of sport."



Gaël Rivière

President of the French Parasport Federation

"The Para Alpine Skiing World Championships in Tignes are a source of immense pride for the French Parasport Federation (FFH). As France's leading inclusive federation, we are fully committed to supporting the resort and its staff in the organisation of this major event.

"The resort is a model of accessibility and inclusion, encouraging the development of paraskiing for many years.

The people, the expertise and the outstanding facilities here are the promise of ideal conditions for participating athletes to perform at their best.

With just three years to go until the French Alps 2030, Tignes 2027 will mark a major milestone for the French national team. The event will also serve to promote parasport, help raise awareness and engage wider audiences.

Our mission? We aim to actively support the organisation, working hand in hand with Tignes to make these World Championships a popular and inclusive sporting event and a legacy for the future."





Sandrine Chaix

Vice-President for Disability, Social Action and the Prevention of Violence Against Women

"Tignes, a training base for the French paraskiing and adaptive sports teams, is fully committed to the regional initiative "H+ Destination Tourisme" which aims to significantly improve the welcome and support extended to people with disabilities. Tignes possesses the necessary experience and expertise to deliver a fantastic competition.

With the support of the Region, many high school students will have the opportunity to experience memorable moments of sporting and human emotion in the presence of these remarkable athletes, whose commitment, hard work, determination and relentless pursuit of excellence leads to outstanding performance and a sense of pride in representing their country.

Inspired by sport, we can challenge limits and redefine possibilities.

Togther we can create a society accessible to people with disabilities. A growing ambition for the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Region in preparation of the 2030 Olympic Games."



Fabrice Pannekoucke

President of the Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes Region

"Hosting the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships in Tignes is a source of immense pride for our region. With Laurent Wauquiez, we have made sport and hosting major events a priority since 2016.

These World Championships are further recognition of the quality of our Alpine regions and their ability to host major sporting events, including those involving athletes with visible and non-visible disabilities.

With the 2030 Winter Paralympic Games in the French Alps fast approaching, these World Championships carry a special significance. The event will contribute to changing the way we perceive disability and mobilise regional stakeholders to accelerate their efforts to make our mountains and sporting activities more accessible.

The Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes Regional Council backs this objective with a proactive policy in support of people with disabilities, promoting accessibility and inclusion.

To the skiers from all corners of the world, to the teams, to the volunteers and to everyone involved in these World Championships, I wish you a magnificent celebration of the very best that sport has to offer."



Urs Lehmann

FIS Secretary General

"Tignes will become the global stage for para-alpine skiing, bringing together the world's finest athletes in a celebration of sporting excellence, determination and inclusion.

The choice of Tignes as the host resort reflects their long-standing commitment to the development of para-snow sports. The success of the test event held here in 2026 demonstrated their ability to host world-class competitions and to offer athletes and spectators a memorable experience.

The professional attitude of the organising committee, the dedication of the volunteers and the unfailing support of all those involved, convinced us that Tignes is ready to host an exceptional event, the FIS Para Alpine Skiing World Championships.

This event is a unique opportunity to build momentum for parasport in France, to inspire future generations and further commit to accessibility and inclusion.

On behalf of the International Ski and Snowboard Federation (FIS), I would like to express our sincere gratitude to the organising committee, the French Ski Federation, the public authorities, the sponsors, the volunteers and everyone whose commitment makes these Championships possible."

I wish the athletes every success in their quest for victory.

TIGNES, A PROVEN TRACK RECORD

Inclusion is deeply rooted in the history and culture of Tignes and reflected in the actions of the resort. Since the 1992 Winter Paralympic Games, Tignes is convinced that making the mountains accessible starts with making them more welcoming to everyone.

As a signatory to the **H+ Destination Tourisme** regional charter since 2024, the resort reaffirms its long-standing collective commitment to inclusive tourism. Working alongside the French Parasport Federation, the association Amont, ALTTA, ski schools and local stakeholders, Tignes has adopted a comprehensive approach to inclusion: adapted public areas, easier access to the ski area, accessible facilities, support for para-athletes and inclusive travel packages tailored to all needs.

In Tignes, accessibility is not an adaptation, but a guiding principle in the development of resort. A training ground for elite para-skiers for more than thirty years Tignes boasts a long history of para-alpine skiing competitions,

Having successfully hosted several Para Alpine Skiing World Cup events as well as the 2025 Virtus World Championships, Tignes has a proven track record in the field. Today the resort's sporting and human legacy naturally contributes to the successful organisation of the 2027 Para Alpine Skiing World Championships.

Beyond athletic performance, this international event embodies bold ambition to provide exemplary standards of hospitality, promote para-alpine skiing through increased media coverage and offer an immersive spectator experience.

By highlighting the talent and determination of athletes with disabilities, these World Championships aim to challenge perceptions and highlight sport as a powerful catalyst for change, in favour of a more inclusive society.



Fabrice Maleville

Director of the Sports, Leisure and Culture Division at Tignes Developpement

"Tignes has been a leading destination for para-winter sports for many years, forging a strong partnership with the French national teams during the1992 Paralympic Games.

Our organisation of the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships is an obvious choice and we would like to thank governing bodies for trusting us to host a successful event for all those involved, athletes, spectators and sponsors alike.

The Lognan Stadium is due to stage all Championship races.

The resort is fully committed to delivering a competition venue worhty of the outstanding performances of those taking part.

The World Championships are also a fabulous opportunity to showcase the disciplines destined to highlight the forthcoming Paralympic Games, due to take place in the French Alps in 2030."



KEY FIGURES

30
World Championship events/titles

6
days of training

7
days of competition

30
Nations represented

110
participating athletes

More than **80**
Volunteers
involved throughout the two-week event

Free admission

1st
The Para Alpine Skiing event in France

Unprecedented TV coverage

The Para Alpine Skiing World Championships will benefit from high-quality audiovisual production. The footage, produced to broadcast standard, will be made available free of charge to the media to ensure the event receives the widest possible coverage both nationally and internationally.

MARIE BOCHET



Marie Bochet

Former elite para alpine skier and ambassador

"I am really proud to see the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships take place in France, in Tignes. As an athlete, I have had the privilege of training and competing here.

Having supported the French team for many years, Tignes boasts in-depth understanding of the demands of elite-level sport and para-alpine skiing.

Hosting this scale of international event in France is a fantastic opportunity not only to demonstarte our expertise, but also to put our athletes and our sport in the spotlight.

It is essential for all those who work tirelessley for the development of para-sport.

With the 2030 Paralympic Games approaching fast, the World Championships are of added importance. The event will give the French public the chance to discover or rediscover para-alpine skiing, to support the athletes and, hopefully, create lasting momentum and greater visibility.

I am particularly delighted to support this event in my role as an ambassador."

ENTERTAINMENT AND RAISING AWARENESS

Throughout the World Championships, the general public are invited to enjoy an immersive experience in the event village, located near the competition venue. Open every day, the zone boasts 12 entertainment stands and workshops dedicated to the discovery of parasports and raising awareness of environmental issues.

A social hub, the village also serves as a fan zone, offering spectators the opportunity to meet the athletes, learn about their careers, their choice of discipline and the values that inspire them. A unique insight into the world of para-alpine skiing!





A SUSTAINABLE EVENT

As a signatory to the Charter of Commitments for the organisation of sustainable sports events, with the support and guidance of the DIGES (the Interministerial Delegation for Major Sporting Events), the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships in Tignes are the promise of:

15 **Volunteers** deployed throughout the competition to raise public awareness, collect and sort waste.

4 **'Climate Mural'** workshops for all employees, elected representatives, contractors and sponsors.

15 **waste collection points.**

A 2-day programme, for over **260 secondary school** pupils, to raise awareness of **disability** and **adaptive sport**, organised in partnership with the **AURA Region**.

1 **climate awareness workshop** at the event village.

*Interministerial Delegation for Major Sporting Events



BACKING US

Event backed by

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SUN VALLEY

Sun Valley, an independent French brand, is proud to support the 2027 Para Alpine Skiiing World Championships in Tignes as the official event partner.

"This partnership is a reflection of our core values: the pursuit of excellence, a passion for the mountains and a commitment to making sport accessible to all. By supporting this international event, Sun Valley helps to shine a spotlight on exceptional athletes whose talent, determination and resilience are a source of inspiration. We are proud to participate in the promotion of these major championships in Tignes, to draw a diverse crowd united by a shared passion. Through this commitment, Sun Valley reaffirms its determination to help make the mountains more open, more inclusive and more forward-looking."

PARA -ALPINE SKIING, OVERVIEW & CLASSIFICATION

A feature of the Winter Paralympic Games since 1976, para-alpine skiing comprises five disciplines: downhill, super-G, giant slalom, slalom and super combined. The speed events (downhill and super-G) are contested in a single run, whilst the technical events (slalom and giant slalom) count two runs. The super combined event comprises a downhill and a slalom.

Athletes compete in three different categories:

1 Seated

Seated skiers use a special seat mounted on one or two skis with stabilisers for steering purposes.

2 Standing

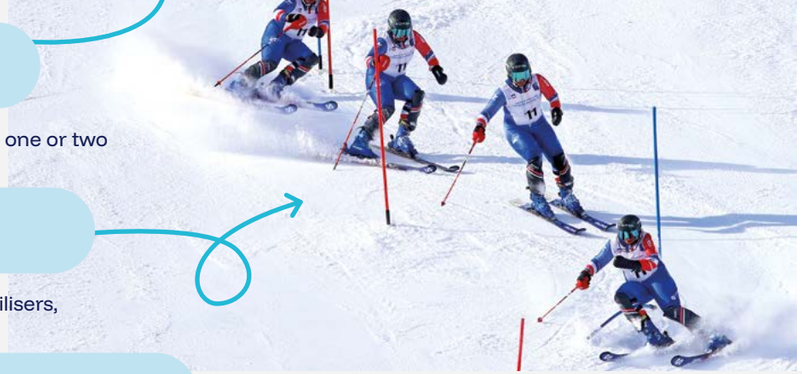
Standing skiers use one or two poles or stabilisers, depending on their disability.

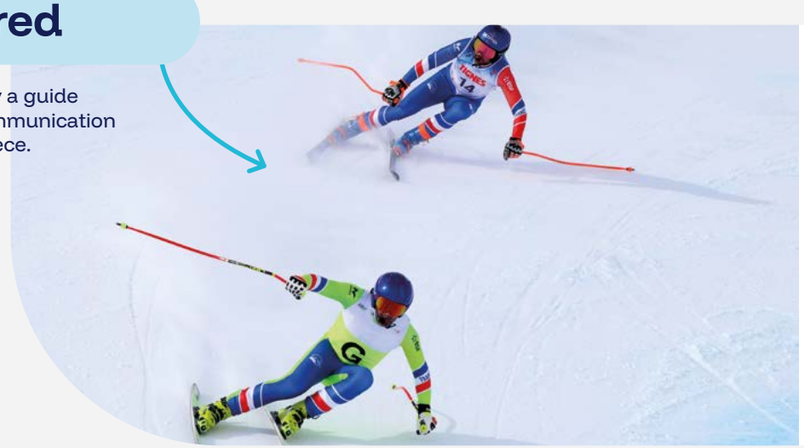
3 Visually impaired

Visually impaired skiers are accompanied by a guide who directs them down the course via a communication system comprising a microphone and earpiece.

To ensure fair competition, athletes are divided into several classes within these three categories, according to their level of impairment. Each competitor's time is then adjusted using a class-specific coefficient, determined on the basis of statistical data and regularly revised.







TOP INTERNATIONAL PARA-ALPINE SKIERS

Category: Seated

Men
- Jesper Pedersen (NOR)
- Jeroen Kampschreur (NED)
- Renè De Silvestro (ITA)

Women
- Anna-Lena Forster (GER)
- Audrey Pascual Seco (ESP)

Category: Standing

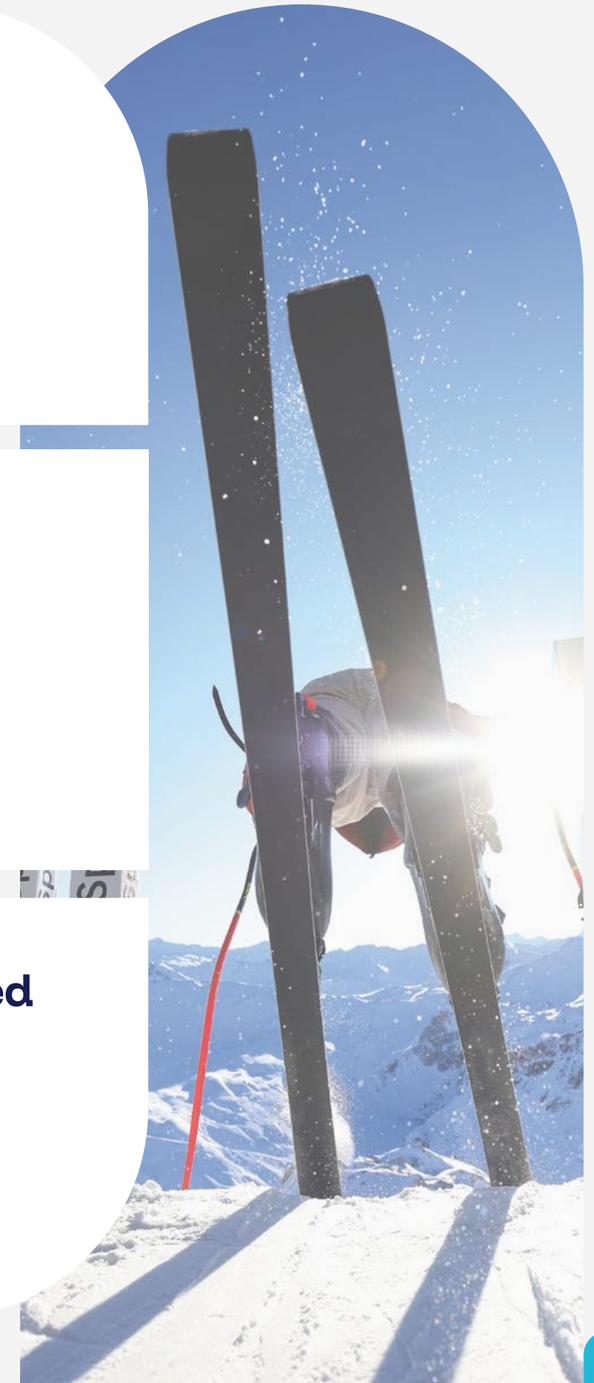
Men
- Robin Cuche (SUI)
- Aaron Lindstroem (SWE)

Women
- Ebba Aarsjoe (SWE)
- Anna-Maria Rieder (GER)

Category: Visually impaired

Men
- Johannes Aigner (AUT)
- Kalle Ericsson (CAN)
- Giacomo Bertagnolli (ITA)

Women
- Veronika Aigner (AUT)
- Elina Stary (AUT)



THE FRENCH TEAM



Thomas FREY

Coach of the French Para Ski Team at the French Parasports Federation

"With just a few months to go until the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships in Tignes, the French team has high hopes.

Boasting a delegation of between 7 and 10 athletes, the team can count on its leading contenders, such as ***Aurélie Richard*** *who is targeting the world downhill title.*

Arthur Bauchet *has also set his sights high, aiming to be among the leading contenders in all his disciplines.*

With several medals within their reach, ***Jules Segers*** *and* ***Lou Braz-Dagand*** *will be keen to demonstrate their technical potential, whilst* ***Oscar Burnham*** *hopes to capitalise on his recent progress after a major reform in his sporting programme.*

Finally, ***Yohan Jeandemange*** *is aiming for a place amongst the best in slalom.*

After a good winter season and meticulous preparation leading up to the World Championships – where nothing will be left to chance – the French team intend to arrive in Tignes in the best possible shape.

Other promising young athletes could also make the squad and experience the atmosphere of their first major international championships."



Aurélie RICHARD

Quadruple Paralympic medallist at the Milan-Cortina Paralympic Winter Games (standing category).

"The World Championships in Tignes will be the first major event since the Milan-Cortina Paralympic Games.

After winning four medals, my goal is to prove that I'm still in the running, that my success wasn't a one-off!

I'm ready to compete for my first World Championship title.

Racing in Tignes is quite special, we've been training here with the French team for years.

The World Championships, in front of a home crowd, will be great preparation for the French Alps 2030. I really hope that a lot of people will come to support us."



Arthur BAUCHET

Double Paralympic medallist at the Milan-Cortina Paralympic Winter Games (standing category).

"Hosting the World Championships in France is already great news, but hosting them in Tignes makes it even more special. Tignes is one of our main training camps with the French team—a resort we know well.

Having failed to deliver the results I was hoping for in recent downhill events here, I am eager to perform well.

Racing at home, in front of the French crowd, will be added motivation.

For me, 2027 is the promise of an exceptional year, with the chance to compete in two World Championships on home soil: the Para Alpine Skiing World Championships in Tignes and the UCI Para-cycling World Championships in Haute-Savoie."

I hope to have a great season and Tignes is the best place to start!



Oscar BURNHAM

Bronze medallist at the 2023 World Championships in Espot (standing slalom).

"Competing in the World Championships in France is already an incredible experience. To do so in the resort where I grew up is an immense privilege.

I know the course by heart and having my family and friends here to cheer me on will boost my motivation.

I aim to train hard in the preparation phase to be in top form on the big day, at home in Tignes.

I hope to be at my absolute best…with my sights set on the 2030 Paralympic Games."



Lou BRAZ-DAGAND

Winner of two World Cup events in 2026 (seated category).

"It's a real honor and truely amazing to participate in the World Championships on home soil, in front of family and friends.

There's more pressure, of course, but it's also incredibly special to have the support to show the world what we do best.

With an incredible view from the start, the Lognan stadium is both a fun and challenging run. I really enjoy skiing it.

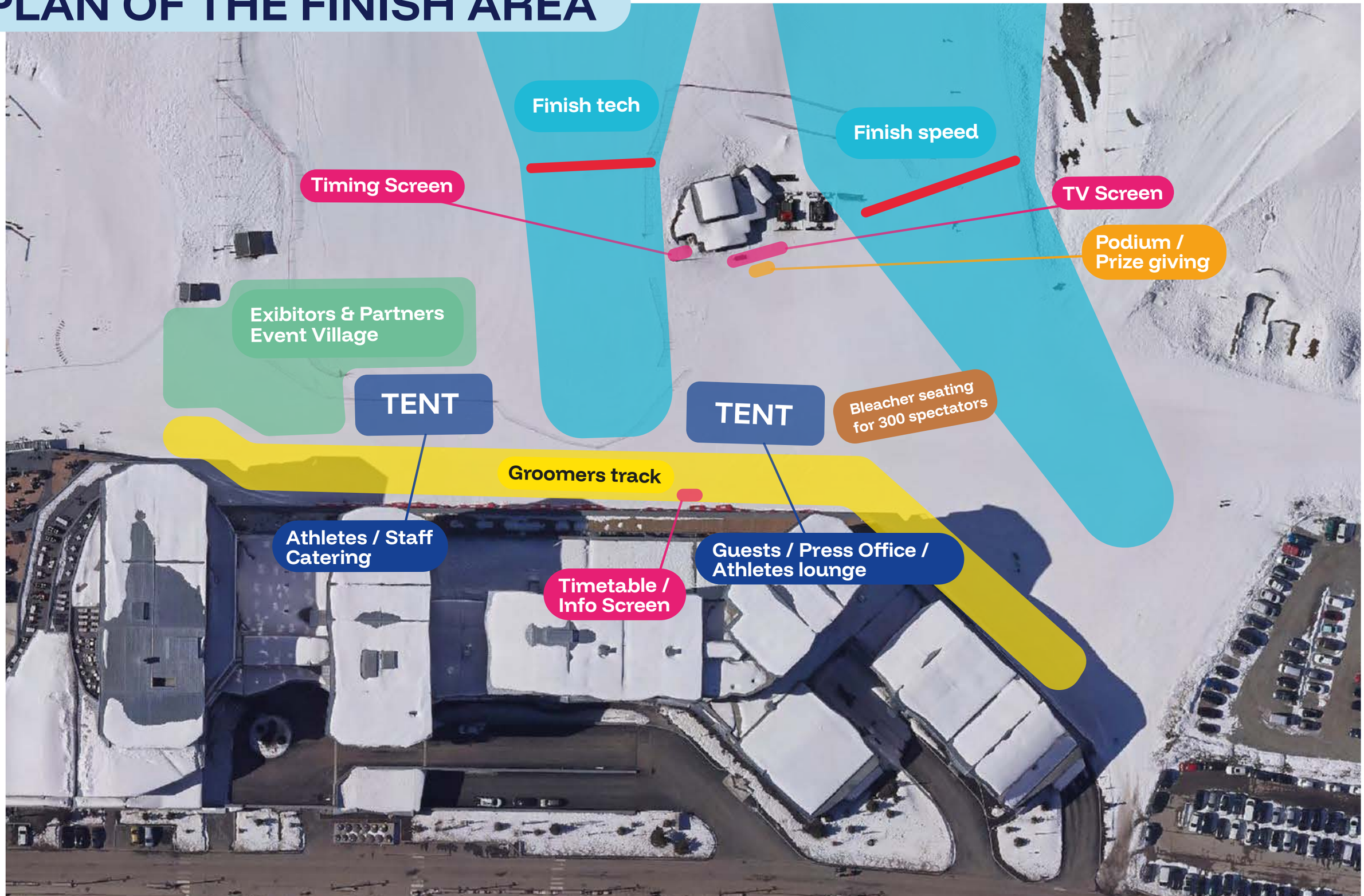
It's wonderful that Tignes is so involved in para-alpine skiing."



Athlete profiles

Podcasts Zone Bleue

PLAN OF THE FINISH AREA



PROGRAMME

Saturday 6th – Wednesday 10th March
Teams arrive and train
Press conference

Wednesday 10th March
Opening ceremony

Thursday 11th March
Men's and Women's Downhill

Friday 12th March
Men's and Women's Super-G

Saturday 13th March
Free ski

Sunday 14th March
Men's and Women's Alpine Combined
Super -G
Slalom

Monday 15th March
Reserve day

Tuesday 16th March
Men's Giant Slalom

Wednesday 17th March
Women's Giant Slalom

Thursday 18th March
Men's Slalom

Friday 19th March
Women's Slalom
Closing ceremony

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