

#### **Press Release**

## Second Race of the WORLD INLINE CUP 2016 in Rennes, France

Bart Swings (BEL) from the Powerslide Matter World Team wins the second leg of the WIC 2016 – Maelann Leroux from France gets the first place for the female skaters

# Strong starter field with top skaters from the best international teams in the capital of Brittany

Berlin, Rennes, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2016. On Sunday afternoon, the world's top skaters from 12 nations competed for valuable points in the second race for the WORLD INLINE CUP 2016.

A thrilling race was to be expected when the French top skaters from the EOSkates World Team met the athletes from Powerslide Matter World Team who had been already successful at the first WORLD INLINE CUP race of this season in Incheon, Korea.

For the first 5km the starter field stayed together. Then Bart Swings (BEL), the winner of the first WIC race almost a week ago in Incheon, Korea, formed a leader group together with Ewen Fernadez and Nolan Beddiaf (both EOSkates World Team) and the Mexican skater Mike Paez.

In the women's race a leading group with Juliette Pouydebat (FRA), Katharina Rumpus (GER) from the Powerslide Matter World Team and the French skater Maelann Leroux broke away very soon.

There were harsh conditions with heavy rain during the whole race. Eventually Bart Swings could claim victory by one wheel's length over Ewen Fernandez. Mike Paez from Mexico came in third. The women's race was also decided on the finish line which Maelann Leroux crossed first. Katharina Rumpus came in second, Juliette Pouydebat third.

### Women's Results

1.	Maelann Leroux (FRA), Pole France Nantes	1:25:34.837
2.	Katharina Rumpus (GER) Powerslide Matter World Team	1:25:34.938
3.	Juliette Pouydebat (FRA) Sila Team	1:25:35.246
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#### Men's Results

<ol> <li>Bart Swings (BEL), Powerslide Matter World Team</li> </ol>	1:10:34.791
2. Ewen Fernandez (FRA), EOSkates World team	1:10:34.858
3. Mike Paez (MEX)	1:10:35.399

#### WIC Calendar 2016

The next stage of the WORLD INLINE CUP will take the international skating elite to Bourgogne. On Sunday, June 12th, the city of Dijon will host the third WIC race of the season. The fourth leg of the series will be held in Ostrava, Czech Republic on 18th June. The WIC Season 2016 will culminate in the combined finals of the WIC and GIC on 24<sup>th</sup> September in Berlin.

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