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**AIJS SKIEUR D'OR - SERGE LANG TROPHY 2018 FOR MARCEL HIRSCHER (AUT).**

For the fourth time in his impressive career, Austria's Marcel Hirscher was elected “Skieur d'Or AIJS” by a numerous members of the International Association of Ski Journalists founded in 1963.

The 29-year-old champion from south of Salzburg who set an impressive record of seven consecutive overall World Cup titles after winning 12 competitions last winter equaled Swiss Ski Legends Pirmin Zurbriggen with his fourth AIJS Award. The Austrian was already rewarded for his great achievements in 2012, 2015 and 2016.

Hirscher who scored his first World Cup podium ten years ago at Kranjska Gora, Slovenia, in March 2008, will enter the World Cup history as one of the most successful technical skiers since 1967 with a total of 58 victories and 8 gold medals in various disciplines.

He was closely followed in the votes this year by Czech's Ester Ledecka the surprising Super-G Olympic Champion who also captured gold in snowboard. Behind them many other top-athletes as Aksel Lund Svindal, Mikaela Shiffrin, Lindsey Vonn who also celebrated some great wins during the past season.

Marcel Hirscher could unfortunately not attend the scheduled Award Presentation at the FIS Forum Alpinum which will prevent him to receive the beautiful Cristal Trophy organized by FIS and Joska this time.

Members of AIJS wish Marcel and all the other leaders a successful and enjoyable ski season.

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