**First podium finish this season for Kjetil Jansrud**

**Kjetil Jansrud missed his 23rd Super-G World Cup victory in Gröden on Friday by just five hundredths of a second. However, his second place was the first podium finish for the Norwegian this season. With a total of 14 athletes in the top 30, the HEAD World Cup Rebels were an extremely strong team.**

"I'm really pleased with this second place. In Canada and the USA things were not going so well for me. I had to sort myself out. Now everything is going great again", Kjetil Jansrud explained at the finish.

Another 13 HEAD World Cup Rebels finished in the top 30 in the Super-G: Johan Clarey from France was seventh, Beat Feuz from Switzerland ninth, Adrien Theaux from France tenth, Matthias Mayer from Austria eleventh, Mattia Casse from Italy fifteenth, James Crawford from Canada seventeenth, Stefan Babinsky and Christian Walder, both from Austria, shared 20th place, Samuel Dupratt from the USA was 22nd, Christoph Krenn from Austria and Stian Saugestad from Norway were both 25th, Josef Ferstl from Germany was 27th and Dominik Schwaiger from Germany was 29th. The Downhill classic in Gröden had to be cancelled on Saturday because of poor weather conditions.

"Kjetil unfortunately just missed the victory. It was very close and was almost like a victory for him. He has got everything back under control now. Matthias Mayer's error also cost him his win," says HEAD Racing Director Rainer Salzgeber.

Alexis Pinturault finished in eighth place in the Giant Slalom in Alta Badia on Sunday. After the first run he was in third place. Alexander Schmid was thirteenth; the best finish this season for the 25-year-old from Germany.

In Val d'Isere the women's events had even more bad luck with the weather this weekend. On Saturday the Downhill was cancelled and was to have been held on Sunday instead of the Combined event. Because the race could not be held on Sunday either, all the women's events ended up being cancelled.