



PRESS RELEASE

## 2021 WES Calendar unveiled

**Monaco (P.ty), Friday 5 March 2021** - The wait is over. WES Management is glad to unveil the Provisional Calendar for the 2021 season.

Following the latest announcement about Monaco's Season Opener taking place on 24-25 April, the next rounds will see the Italian back-to-back events to be held at Castiglione dei Pepoli (Bologna-Appennino) and in Piedmont (venue TBA) on 5-6 and 12-13 June, respectively. The series will come to France on 17-18 July (location TBA) and then to Spain, after the Summer break, with two events: first stop at the Sea Otter Europe in Costa Brava, Girona on 24-25 September, second, at the Castelldefels venue in Barcelona for the Season Finale, scheduled for 16-17 October. The Swiss round is on hold at the moment and its date will be announced in due course.

## 2021 WES Provisional Calendar UCI E-Mountain Bike Cross-Country World Cup

1. **MONACO** (P.ty) 24-25 April
2. **ITALY**, BOLOGNA-APPENNINO 5-6 June
3. **ITALY**, TBA 12-13 June\*
4. **FRANCE**, TBA 17-18 July
5. **SPAIN**, COSTA BRAVA-GIRONA SEA OTTER EUROPE 24-25 September\*\*
6. **SPAIN**, CASTELLDEFELS-BARCELONA 16-17 October

**SWITZERLAND**, Ascona-Locarno Date TBA

*\*alternative date: 18-19 September.*

*\*\*Race days: Friday and Saturday.*

*Additional dates TBC: 3-4 July.*

*Event calendar may be subject to change.*

*Events and side events subject to national and local Covid-19 restrictions.*

**WES UCI E-MTB XC World Cup steals the show** as it will be the only one discipline featured in 2021 WES events. The decision was made in consultation with WES Local Promoters to focus on the prestigious World Cup and on E-XC as the core discipline of the series' previous editions.

2021 race format will guarantee exciting and thrilling action: **double E-XC World Cup races at each event**, giving athletes the chance to earn **double points** in one weekend. The two races represent two separate challenges for the participants with separate podium ceremonies and classifications to sum for the overall standings. Each race is preceded by a Qualirace open to permanent WES riders and Wildcards (UCI



licence holders, year of 19th birthday onwards): the top-50 classified Women and top-50 Men will take part in the following UCI E-MTB XC WORLD CUP race.

**Women and Men** will battle in the same race, as per WES tradition, with separate classifications and standings, same prize money and awards, equal media exposure and support.

**WES Awards** will be presented at each race to Women and Men:

- WES Holeshoot: the fastest rider at the start passing the first turn in first position
- Magneti Marelli Checkstar Power Lap: the fastest rider on a full lap

**WES Awards** to be presented at the end of the season:

- Women and Men: the first-ever UCI E-MTB XC **World Cup Winner Title**
- WES Teams: by summing all team members' points in all WES races
- Bike Manufacturers: by summing all riders' points in all WES races
- Motor Manufacturers: by summing all riders' points in all WES races

Race results and overall standings will be available in real time on WES website all along the season.

WES UCI E-MTB XC World Cup is the exclusive competition providing eligible points to qualify for the **UCI E-MTB World Championships** and clinch the coveted rainbow jersey.

All of the WES Rounds will feature the **Ride WES**, the social ride (Amateur Randonnée) organised by WES to allow riders of different levels to ride on and around the UCI E-MTB XC World Cup trails along with the pros. It is open to anyone aged 18 or over. The Ride WES is a side event that aims to take every kind of rider **closer to the E-Bike world**, offering a high-level ride experience.

**Race and Ride WES applications open [HERE](#)**  
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Teams, athletes, partners and media will be informed about each hosting country's **Covid-19 protocol** in due time.

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