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STORY HEADLINE: Final Alpine Skiing Gold of Lausanne 2020 won by Finland in Parallel Mixed Team Event

LOCATION: Les Diablerets Alpine Centre, Switzerland

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STORY SCRIPT:

Finland struck gold on the final day of Alpine Skiing competition at the Winter Youth Olympic Games (YOG) Lausanne 2020, winning the Parallel event on the slopes of Les Diablerets Alpine Centre.

The Finnish team of 16-year-old Rosa Pohjolainen from Hyvinkaa and 17-year-old Jaakko Tapanainen from Nilsia beat Germany in the Final.

They won all four races, leaving Germany with the silver medal. For Pohjolainen, it was her second medal of the games after winning silver in the Women's Giant Slalom. Austria beat France to win the bronze medal in the 'Small Final'.

The Parallel Mixed Team Event is made up of four phases (1/8 finals, quarter-finals, semi-finals and finals). The race is conducted as a parallel event with "head-to-head" races, using Giant Slalom gates and panels. The winner of each "head to head" run will be the one who crosses the finish line with the fastest time. After completing four runs (two runs for each competitor, once skiing the blue course and once the red course), the team with the most points will advance to the next phase. The team of the winning competitor is awarded 1 point. The team of the losing competitor is awarded 0 points.

Lausanne 2020 is the third edition of the Winter YOG, bringing together the world's best young athletes between the ages of 15 and 18. For the first time in Winter Olympic history the Games will have gender equality, with equal numbers of male and female competitors in the 81 medal events.

1,872 athletes from 79 National Olympic Committees (NOCs) will be in action in Lausanne, 12 of those NOCs for the first time at a Youth Olympic Games - Albania, Azerbaijan, Ecuador, Haiti, Hong Kong, Kosovo, Pakistan, Qatar, Singapore, Thailand, Turkmenistan and Trinidad & Tobago.



As well as the brand new sport of Ski Mountaineering, Lausanne 2020 features five new events, Women's Nordic Combined, Individual Normal Hill/4km, Women's Doubles Luge, Mixed NOC 3x3 Ice Hockey, Freeski Big Air, Snowboard Big Air.

The first Winter Youth Olympic Games took place in Innsbruck, Austria, in 2012. The second edition was held in the Norwegian city of Lillehammer in 2016.

SHOTLIST:

00:05 Finland athlete Jaakko Tapanainen skiing and crossing the finish line

00:14 Jaakko Tapanainen being congratulated by teammate

00:21 Rosa Pohjolainen and Jaakko Tapanainen at Mascot Ceremony

00:32 Team Finland pose for pictures

00:37 SOUNDBITE: Jaakko Tapanainen, Finland. Gold Medallist, Alpine Skiing Parallel (Finnish Language)

"It feels... it feels really good. The other competitions didn't go so well and as wished but this time it was on point. It was great!"

00:47 Jaakko Tapanainen skiing

00:51 SOUNDBITE: Rosa Pohjolainen, Finland. Gold Medallist, Alpine Skiing Parallel (Finnish Language).

"It feels really good that we finally got the gold on the last day. We have been waiting for this!"

00:59 Rosa Pohjolainen and Jaakko Tapanainen at Mascot Ceremony

01:02 SOUNDBITE: Jaako Tapanainen and Rosa Pohjolainen, Finland. Gold Medallists, Alpine Skiing Parallel (Finnish Language).

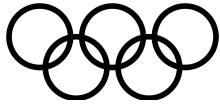
Jaako: *"It feels good, good to win! Good runs. Feels good."*

Rosa: *"Yeah I don't really have anything else to add... It was a good slope, good length... The conditions and the day were great, so yeah of course it feels good!"*

01:27 Various shots of medal ceremony at Lausanne Medal Plaza

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