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Speedway Euro Championship Participants announced



Grigoriy Laguta, one of the nominated riders for the Speedway Euro Championship

The FIM Europe together with Speedway Euro Championship promoter One Sport, is pleased to announce the selection of the permanent wild card riders and nominated substitute riders for the 2016 Speedway Euro Championship, which will begin in Guestrow, Germany, on July 16th.

In addition to the top 5 riders from season 2015, who are automatically qualified, and to the 7 riders who qualified through the elimination rounds, the permanent wild cards are as follows: Grigoriy Laguta (Russia), Andzejs Lebedevs (Latvia) and Vaclav Milik (Czech Republic).

The field will therefore consist of 15 riders from 7 Countries: 4 from Denmark, 3 from Poland, 3 from Sweden, 2 from Russia, 1 from Czech Republic, 1 from Slovakia and 1 from Latvia.

The full list of 15 permanent riders is as follows:

- Emil Sayfutdinov (Russia)
- Nicki Pedersen (Denmark)
- Antonio Lindbaeck (Sweden)
- Martin Vaculik (Slovakia)
- Janusz Kolodziej (Poland)



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Krzysztof Kasprzak (Poland)
Leon Madsen (Denmark)
Joonas Kylmakorpi (Sweden)
Przemyslaw Pawlicki (Poland)
Hans Andersen (Denmark)
Peter Ljung (Sweden)
Anders Thomsen (Denmark)
Grigorij Laguta (Russia)
Andzejs Lebedevs (Latvia)
Vaclav Milik (Czech Republic)
plus 1 Wild Card per event, nominated by the organising Federation.

There will be two nominated substitute riders for the series to be available in case of withdrawal or injury. They are:

1st Substitute Rider: Nicolas Covatti (Italy)
2nd Substitute Rider: Martin Smolinski (Germany)

Following the opening round in Guestrow, the series will continue in Daugavpils (Latvia) on 6th August, Togliatti (Russia) on 20th August and conclude in Rybnik (Poland) on 17th September. More details on website: www.speedwayeuro.com

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