

4. GROSSGLOCKNER ULTRA-TRAIL®: JULY 27 - 29, 2018

TOP-ATHLETES AT AUSTRIA'S HIGHEST MOUNTAIN

- **500 starters at the GGUT premiere in 2015, 1 700 starters expected in 2018**
- **Most demanding Ultra-Trail in the Eastern Alps, at Austria's highest mountain**
- **Four races with one new distance of 75k**



From July 27 - 29 the region is dedicated to trail running. Grossglockner Ultra-Trail® together with DYNAFIT as main sponsor enters the fourth round. Within the shortest time, the race has occupied a fixed place in the race calendars of professional athletes as well as hobby runners and is becoming more popular every year. Mountain-endurance specialist DYNAFIT has been an integral part of the race since the beginnings and has already prolonged partnership until 2020. At the 4th edition of GGUT numerous international stars, like Gediminas Grinius, Pau Capell, Scott Haker or Juliette Blanchet are competing. The organiser is establishing one more race distance over 75k. Thus offering 5 distances to the athletes – all at the dreamlike setting of the Eastern Alps, facing the majestic Grossglockner.

The supreme discipline of the competition is **Grossglockner Ultra-Trail with a distance of 110k and 6500m altitude**. The race is one of the most demanding, but also scenic most appealing Ultra-Trails in the Alps. The course mostly follows the so-called „Glocknerrunde“ – round Austria's highest mountain, the Grossglockner (3.798m). Start and Finish are in Kaprun, Pinzgau in the Austrian province Salzburg. The course leads through technically difficult terrain and demands high physical as well as psychological endurance.

The 110k can be either approached alone or in a relay, with a change of athletes in Kals. In order to satisfy those who prefer shorter distances as well, there are three more distances for both professionals as well as hobby athletes: With **GGT 75 /4000m altitude** a new distance is added this year. **Kalser Tauern Trail** lures with a distance of **50k** and **2000m altitude** and last but not least **Weissee Gletscher Trail** with **30k** and **1000 m** altitude as a gateway to the adventure GGUT.

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International Stars of the trail-running scene at the start

International stars like Pau Capell (ESP), Gediminas Grinius (LTU), Juliette Blanchet (FRA), Kristin Berglund (SWE), Tom Farbmacher (AUT), Janosch Kowalczyk (GER), Marjan Zupancic (SLO), Lukas Naegele (GER), Sacha Devillaz (FRA), Petru Muntenasu (GER) and Markus Amon (AUT) will be competing at GGUT 2018. Moreover, title sponsor DYNAFIT sends several other top athletes, trailheroes and staff members into the race, among them well-known figures such as Johanna Erhart (last year's winner of Weissee Gletscherwelt Trail), Markus Stock (last year's winner of 50 km), Michael Geisler, Peter Kienzl and the two newcomers in the team Hannes Namberger and Maria Koller. Furthermore, there will be the Salomon top-athletes Sandra Koblmüller, Matthias Baur, and Markus Schoiswohl at the start. They complete the starting field of Austrian and German top-athletes.

Hubert Resch, founder and head of the organising team is excitedly looking forward to the fourth edition of Grossglockner Ultra-Trail®. It offers everything that makes trail-runners' hearts beat faster. The scenery is simply breathtakingly beautiful and the courses are diverse as well as technically demanding. Thanks to the new distance, we cover the whole range of trail-running and can attract athletes with different demands and needs. We are really curious if the magic limit of 15 hours can be beaten in the 110k race.

Title sponsor DYNAFIT is also looking forward to the fourth edition of Grossglockner Ultra-Trail® as well as to continuing partnership until 2020. The brand for mountaineering endurance athletes identifies itself one hundred percent with the competition in high alpine territory, which also demands a lot of the athletes' equipment. For the various requirements of the four distances, DYNAFIT's summer collection offers the right gear, from shoes suitable for all aspects of alpine running, to light running backpacks as well as an athletic and stylish textile collection.

GGUT Studio: More than 24 hours live round GGUT

For all trail-running fans who are not live at GGUT, the organiser offers the GGUT STUDIO. 24 hours of live coverage via Facebook from the Grossglockner - goose bumps guaranteed! Viewers can expect regular race updates, live videos from the race and of the top-athletes, spectacular finishes and top stories surrounding Austria's biggest trail event.

Registration as well as more information and press photos can be found on www.ultratrail.at
