

# Kästle is new outfitter for eD system Bauer cross-country team

Prestigious VISMA SkiClassics team partners up with new ski brand

The VISMA SkiClassics cross-country team, eD system Bauer, started up by Overall World Cup Champion Lukáš Bauer has selected a new ski partner for this season. Alexis Jeannerod is to switch first, but the long-term strategy is for the whole team to run on Kästle skis.

Kästle is celebrating a comeback in cross-country skiing this winter with 3 new lines of skis in both the classic and skate sector. The Austrian premium ski brand has turned out exceptionally high-quality skis from the get-go, with the RX10 models already enjoying a successful first outing at the World Cup and at the FIS Nordic World Ski Championships in Seefeld this spring.

It was this spectacular comeback and the developments in the Kästle race department that piqued the interest of former Overall World Cup Champion in cross-country skiing, Lukáš Bauer. He heads the team eD system Bauer, one of the most successful teams in the VISMA SkiClassics stable. "In the long run I'm looking to equip the whole team from one single ski brand. In Kästle, we've found a reliable partner with the ability to make that vision a reality", explains Lukáš Bauer. The Kästle crew are no strangers to the team manager either. Vít Fousek, the mastermind behind the new Kästle skis used to be the service technician for Lukáš Bauer. Alexis Jeannerod, the top ranking male athlete in Lukáš Bauer's team is the first to switch to Kästle. Next, all of the team's service technicians will switch to Kästle skis, and any athletes without a ski deal will also be given Kästle skis for the season.

For Kästle, the partnership represents a unique opportunity to transfer the experience and knowledge gained from racing, over to their series production. Martin Petrasek, Kästle's Nordic Race Director, is pleased with the developments. "The new partnership with Lukáš Bauer's team is a fantastic motivator for us. We look forward to a successful future", reports Petrasek.



*The eD system Bauer team, from left: Josef Kucera (Kästle), Roxane Lacroix, Pawel Klisz, Jan Antolec, Vít Fousek (Kästle), Alexis Jeannerod and Martin Petrasek (Kästle)*

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