



19th World University Orienteering Championships 2014

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Mixed sprint relay dominated by the Swiss

(Kroměříž, 12th August 2014) Swiss mixed team composed of Sarina Jenzer, Martin Hubmann, Julia Gross and Matthias Kyburz won the first gold medal of the 19th World University Orienteering Championships 2014 that takes place around Olomouc, Czech Republic.

The brand new discipline in WUOC program lead the athletes through the historical town of Kroměříž. National university teams of 28 countries consisting of two women and two men competed on the courses that took them into the gardens of the Archbishop's Palace with the last part in the narrow streets of the old city.

The race was close after the first leg with the Swiss team coming first ahead of Sweden. But soon after that, the Swiss clearly showed their qualities of the defending World Orienteering Champions in this discipline. On the second leg, Martin Hubmann managed to make a gap of more than one minute, coming to the changeover in a splendid lead.

"The race was not too much demanding technically. I just focused on the route choices and tried to run as fast as possible," Martin Hubmann said about his great effort. After this fabulous performance, it was not a difficult job for his two remaining team members to secure the gold medals for Switzerland.

The Swedes came second, losing 1:10 to the winners. After a drama on the last leg, the home team of the Czech Republic won the bronze medal, delighting all the spectators at the Kroměříž Main square.

Results:

1	Switzerland	55:27	Jenzer, M. Hubmann, Gross, M. Kyburz
2	Sweden	+1:10	Strand, Högstrand, Ohlsson, Ridefelt
3	Czechia	+1:47	Horčíčková, Nykodým, Šístková, Král
4	France	+1:58	I. Basset, L. Basset, Vercellotti, Tranchand
5	Norway	+2:16	Johanssen, Ekeberg, K. H. Steiwer, G. H. Steiwer
6	Russia	+3:29	Voitova, Dobrynin, Potapenko, Tikhonov

Please find complete results and more information about the Championships at <http://www.wuoc2014.cz>.

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