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## Snowboarders Uncork the LAAX OPEN 2023 with the Men's Slopestyle Qualification

**Sixty snowboarders from all over the world competed in two heats at the FIS Snowboard World Cup Slopestyle Qualification at Crap Sogn Gion today for a place in the final.**

As winners of their heats, Ryoma Kimata (JPN) and Dusty Henricksen (USA) gained a lot of self-confidence for the big final (21.01.2023) as the level of today's qualification was incredibly high. Among the twelve finalists are favourites like Valentino Guseli (AUS), Sven Thorgren (SWE), Rene Rinnekangas (FIN) and Marcus Kleveland (NOR), who performed a Nollie Double Rodeo 1080 on the second kicker. Nicolas Huber holds the flag in the finals for the host country Switzerland, and the Austrian neighbours are happy about Clemens Millauer making the cut. A happy Dusty Henricksen quips after the qualifier: "I am super stoked on the course and couldn't be more stoked on how my run went. It feels like a weight off my chest to get it done in the first run. I can't wait for finals."

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