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Australia's impressive comeback is worth
the Trap Mixed Team world title

Moscow (RUS), 4 September 2017 - Thomas Derek Grice (24) and Penny Smith (22) of Australia are the first ever ISSF World Champions in the Trap Mixed Team event. The historic Gold medal match that crowned them took place at the Foxlodge Shooting Range in Moscow (RUS), where the ISSF World Championship Shotgun is currently taking place.

The two Australian shooters came back from a 6-hit deficit, overtaking Spain's Antonio Bailon (33) and Beatriz Martinez (31) in the final stage of the match and claiming the Gold medal with the narrowest margin: 33 hits to 32.

It's Smith's second international Gold after the World Cup one pocketed in New Delhi (IND) earlier this year, while Grice climbed atop an ISSF podium for the first time in his young career.

In the previous medal match, Ashley Carroll (22) and Derek Haldeman (26) of the United States' crushed 41 targets, taking Bronze and prevailing over a second Australian couple, Catherine Skinner (27) and Jack Wallace (20), who hit 38. It's the first medal in a World Championship for both Carroll and Haldeman, who previously qualified for the finals of the Trap individual events in Moscow, respectively placing 6th and 5th.

The home Russian team took a disappointing 5th place after failing to qualify for the medal matches. However, despite finishing with 27 target hits, Alexey Alipov (42) and Tatiana Barsuk (32) won the warmest applause from the audience, who filled the stands of the Foxlodge Shooting Range in maybe the coldest day of the competition so far.

A second Spanish team composed by Alberto Fernandez (34) and Fatima Galvez (30) was also eliminated at semifinal stage, finishing with 22 clays and taking 6th place.

The ISSF World Championship Shotgun in Moscow (RUS) will continue tomorrow with the Double Trap Men Junior final, scheduled at 4:45 pm (UTC+3:00), and the Double Trap Men final, taking place at 5:45 pm. The two final matches will be streamed live on the [ISSF website](#), on the Federation's [Livestream channel](#), on its official [Facebook page](#) and on the [Olympic Channel](#).

Live results of the competitions, news and updates will be available on www.issf-sports.org and on all ISSF social media platforms: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), [Weibo](#) and [Youku](#).

For complete results of the Trap Mixed Team [click here](#).

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Notes for the editors:

The International Shooting Sport Federation is the governing body of the Olympic Shooting events, and it has over 160 affiliated National Federations worldwide. Shooting is an Olympic sport since the very first edition of the modern Olympic Games, Athens 1896. Find out more about the International Shooting Sport Federation at www.issf-sports.org.

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