

## A new race joins the Ultra-Trail® World Tour The Eiger Ultra-Trail® - Switzerland « Tougher than the North face of the Eiger »



The Eiger (3970 m) and its legendary north face fascinate! A summit written into the pages of mountaineering. In 1858, local guides Christian Almer and Peter Bohren and Charles Barrington their customer reach the summit for the first time. Its northern side was completed after many attempts in 1938 by Anderl Heckmair, Ludwig Vörg, Heinrich Harrer and Fritz Kasperek in four days.



August 2008, the Swiss Ueli Steck explodes all limits with his speed record for the north face in 2 hours 47 minutes.



It is therefore natural that the first Eiger Ultra-Trail® was born on July 20, 2013! With passages on the Grosse Scheidegg, Shack Faulhorn Schynige Platte, Wengen, Männlichen, Kleine Scheidegg and crossing under the North Face of the Eiger, this is a majestic journey through the Swiss Alps, World Heritage Site of Jungfrau-Aletsch UNESCO with a singular mountain atmosphere to enjoy and to share.



**On the 18 and 19th July 2015, Grindelwald will host the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ultra-Trail® Eiger.**



Already in the second edition in July 2014, 1,730 runners from 41 nations participated in the three events of the Ultra-Trail



**Counting for the Ultra-Trail® World Tour, the 101 km course and 6,700 metres of ascent** is an especially mountaineering test, very technical and hard. Ambassador of the Eiger Ultra Trail® **Ueli Steck** agrees: "I think the Eiger Ultra Trail® will be harder than the north face of the Eiger solo ..."



The organizers of Eiger Ultra Trail® are pleased to join The Ultra-Trail® World Tour confirming its international reputation and its place in the international calendar among the largest trails in the world.



It is also an important element in the development of trail running at the foot of the North face of the Eiger. *"We are pleased to share the 360-degree view of the Faulhorn 2680m towards the Lauterbrunnen Valley before the amazing scenery of the north face of the Eiger. A natural spectacle that attracts runners from around the world! Welcome to the foot of the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau as well as World Natural Heritage by UNESCO Jungfrau-Aletsch"* Ralf Näf Organising Chairman of the Eiger.



This new very alpine event completes a schedule that included 10 races in its first running. With the Eiger the Ultra-Trail® World Tour now opens itself to German-speaking Europe.



**In 2015, the Ultra-Trail®World Tour will have 11 events.**