

Issy-les-Moulineaux, 22nd of February 2006

## THE 20 TEAMS SELECTED

20 teams have been selected for the 76th edition of the Critérium International that will take place in Charleville-Mézières on the 31<sup>st</sup> of March and the 1<sup>st</sup> of April. Among the registered formations to take part in the three stages of the weekend (a normal flat stage, a hill stage and a individual time-trial), eight are Continental Pro teams and one normally competes in America Tour races.

### The stage program

**Flat stage.** Start on the 31st of March at 12:55: Sedan – Charleville-Mézières (180 km)

**Hill stage.** Start on the 1st of April at 8:10: Les Vieilles Forges – Monthermé (98.5 km)

**Time trial.** First start on the 1st of April at 14:00: Charleville-Mézières (Parcours urbain, 8,3 km)

### The teams selected

**Germany:** Gerolsteiner (GST), Team Wiesenhof Felt (WIE)

**Belgium:** Landbouwkrediet – Tonissteiner (LAN)

**Denmark:** Team CSC (CSC)

**Spain:** Caisse d'Epargne (GCE), Euskaltel – Euskadi (EUS), Karpin Galicia (KGZ)

**United States:** Team Slipstream (TSL)

**France:** AG2R Prévoyance (A2R), Bouygues Telecom (BTL), Cofidis le

crédit par téléphone (COF), Crédit Agricole (C.A), Française des Jeux (FDJ), Agritubel (FRA)

**Great Britain:** Barloworld (BAR)

**Ireland:** Ceramica Panaria – Navigare (PAN)

**Italy:** Lampre – Fondital (LAM)

**Netherlands:** Skil – Shimano (SKS)

**Switzerland:** Astana (AST), Team L.P.R. (LPR)

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