Iran comes 1st in int'l snowboarding

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Iran's snowboard team has claimed the first prize in the international snowboarding competition at Tochal ski resort in Tehran

The Iranian team won the championship with 969 points. Slovenia and Australia came second and third with 692 and 412 points respectively.

Radoslav Zidek, who won a silver medal in Snowboard Cross at the 2006 Winter Olympics, bagged the gold medal. Charles Ferry from Australia won the silver and Hossein Kalhor from Iran walked away with the bronze medal on Friday.

Thirty-four skiers from Iran, Australia, Poland, Slovenia, Slovakia and Croatia participated in the three-day event, which ended on Friday.

An International Ski Federation official from Austria was sent as an observer as the winners will qualify for the 2010 Winter Olympics in Vancouver, Canada.