

## Communication No. 2585

### ISU Course for Speed Skating Sport Experts

The ISU has decided to hold an **online** course for Speed Skating Sport Experts which will be organized by the ISU Speed Skating Technical Committee on **September 9-10, 2023**.

#### Program

The Course will include all the main aspects of the role and the tasks of a Sport Expert at ISU Championships, World Cup Competitions and other major International Competitions. The ISU Special Regulations and the Technical Rules for Speed Skating and relevant parts of the ISU General Regulations, as adopted by the 2022 ISU Congress, will be addressed.

The Course will include theoretical and practical parts. It is recommended that participants have had recent experience as a Sport Expert in ISU Events or International Competitions and have a good knowledge of the ISU Speed Skating Special Regulations, Technical Rules and relevant parts of the ISU General Regulations. The course will be conducted in English, therefore it is very important that all participants are able to communicate well in English.

Course Schedule:                      Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 16:00 – 18:00 CET  
   Sunday, September 10, 2023, from 16:00 – 18:00 CET

#### Course Management

Course Coordinator:                      Nick Thometz (USA)                      ISU Speed Skating TC

Moderator:                                      Melanie Symalla (GER)                      ISU Referee

#### Participants

The course is open to the following categories of participants:

- 1) **International Sport Experts** (Sport Experts for ISU Events), as defined in Rule 121, paragraph b) and listed in ISU Communication No. 2571, item C).
- 2) Experienced **Sport Experts** who are considered for nomination to the 2024/2025 list of International Sport Experts.
- 3) Experienced **Sport Experts** from ISU Members that will be hosting ISU Speed Skating Events during the seasons 2023/2024 and/or 2024/2025.

For capacity reasons only a limited number of participants from categories 2) and 3) above will be admitted. Only participants with adequate experience as Sport Experts will be accepted. The ISU may request evidence that entered participants have the necessary qualifications.

**Entries**

Entries must be submitted to the following persons **before August 25, 2023**:

Fabrice Prahin, ISU Sports Director Speed Skating  
Nick Thometz, ISU Course Coordinator

[prahin@isu.ch](mailto:prahin@isu.ch)  
[nick.thometz@isu.org](mailto:nick.thometz@isu.org)

Please include mobile phone numbers and E-mail addresses of all participants.

ISU Members concerned will be informed at the latest by August 31, 2023 if some of the entered Sport Experts would not be admitted as participants at the course.

**Other conditions**

All discussions will be conducted in English. No interpretation will be offered. It is extremely important that Sport Experts attend this course in order to maintain their activity in accordance with the ISU Regulations. Sport Experts considered for future nomination as International Sport Experts should participate in the course in order to improve their qualifications for such a nomination.

*It is expected that those Sport Experts participating in the online course will take further initiatives to organize similar courses in their own country.*

Seoul,  
August 2, 2023  
Lausanne,

**Jae Youl Kim**, President  
**Fredi Schmid**, Director General