

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1267

Decisions of the ISU Council

The ISU Council held meetings on Sunday June 6th, Saturday June 12th and Sunday June 13th, 2004 in Scheveningen, The Netherlands. The following decisions were taken during this meeting (this Communication does not include items that have been dealt with in previous or separate Communications):

1. Acceptance of provisional new ISU Members and update on provisional Member, Brazil

The Council accepted applications by the Federación Argentina de Patinaje Sobre Hielo and the Philippine Skating Union to join the ISU as provisional Figure Skating Members with immediate effect.

Despite non-attendance by the Confederação Brasileira de Desportos No Gelo (Brazilian Ice Sports Federation) at the Congress, the Council exceptionally agreed to extend their provisional membership by a further third year, subject to adequate international skating activity.

2. Appointment of new Medical Advisor and confirmation of Medical Congress budget

The Council appointed Mr. Ruben Ambartsumov from Ukraine as the new seventh member of the team of Medical Advisors.

The Council approved the budget proposed by the Medical Advisors for the scheduled Medical Congress in 2005, to be held on the occasion of the Speed Skating World Cup Final in Heerenveen, The Netherlands, February 16-17, 2005. The program of the Medical Congress that will be organized for the first time on the occasion of a Speed Skating ISU Event, will be published in due time.

3. Grand Prix and Junior Grand Prix Management Commission

On the basis of a global evaluation, the Council considered that the Management Commission, with the composition and role established 9 years ago, is no longer required. This is also in line with the decision unanimously taken by the Congress to approve the new Constitution 2006, which includes a new approach as far as Event management and coordination are concerned.

The Council decided that with immediate effect, the Management Commission for the Grand Prix of Figure Skating as well as the position of the two coordinators for the respective Series are dissolved. A different approach to monitoring the Grand Prix of Figure Skating Senior and Junior will be taken, to enable the ISU Council to be informed on the ongoing and potential future needs.

Vice President David Dore, former Management Commission Chair Jerry Lace and Event Coordinator Peter Krick, in cooperation with the ISU Secretariat, will now be the liaison between the Council and the organizing and participating Members in order to permit a suitable follow-up of all organizational necessities related to the Grand Prix of Figure Skating (Junior and Senior).

4. Request for Reinstatement as an eligible person

The Council approved the reinstatement as an eligible person of International Judge Kfir Natan of the Israel Skating Federation.

5. Dates for Winter and June Council meetings

The Council agreed to hold its Winter 2005 meeting during the World Figure Skating Championships in Moscow, Russia from March 19-21, 2005.

Dates and location for the Summer Council meeting were tentatively agreed as June 2-5, 2005 in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

6. Allotment of ISU Championships

a) Definite allotment of 2005 ISU Championships

The Council decided to confirm the following definite allotments for 2005 Championships:

ISU Championships 2005

Speed Skating

European Speed Skating Championships, January 7 – 9, 2005

Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond: Heerenveen/The Netherlands

World Sprint Speed Skating Championships, January 22 - 23, 2005

US Speedskating: Salt Lake City/ USA

World Allround Speed Skating Championships, February 5 – 6, 2005

Russian Skating Union: Moscow/ Russia

World Junior Speed Skating Championships, February 18 - 20, 2005

Suomen Luisteluliitto: Seinäjoki/ Finland

World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships, March 3 - 6, 2005

Deutsche Eisschnellauf-Gemeinschaft: Inzell/ Germany

Short Track Speed Skating

World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 7 - 9, 2005
Serbia and Montenegro Skating Association: Belgrade/ Serbia and Montenegro

European Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 14 - 16, 2005
Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio: Torino/ Italy

World Short Track Speed Skating Team Championships, March 5 - 6, 2005
Korea Skating Union: Chuncheon/ Republic of Korea

World Short Track Speed Skating Championships, March 11 – 13, 2005
Chinese Skating Association: Beijing/ China

Figure Skating

European Figure Skating Championships, January 24 – 30, 2005
Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio: Torino/ Italy

Four Continents Figure Skating Championships, February 14 - 20, 2005
Korea Skating Union: Gangneung/ Republic of Korea (please note the revised venue and dates)

World Junior Figure Skating Championships, February 28 – March 6, 2005
Skate Canada: Kitchener/ Canada

World Figure Skating Championships, March 14 – 20, 2005
Figure Skating Federation of Russia: Moscow/Russia

Synchronized Skating

World Synchronized Skating Championships, April 22-23, 2005
Svenska Konståkningsförbundet: Göteborg/ Sweden

b) Provisional allotments for 2006 and 2007 ISU Championships

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations the Council provisionally maintained and/or allotted the Championships for 2006 and 2007 as follows:

ISU Championships 2006

Speed Skating

European Speed Skating Championships, January 13 - 15, 2006
Norges Skøyteforbund: Hamar/ Norway (please note the revised dates)

World Sprint Speed Skating Championships, January 21 – 22, 2006
Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond: Heerenveen/ The Netherlands

World Junior Speed Skating Championships, March 3 - 5, 2006
Deutsche Eisschnellauf-Gemeinschaft: Erfurt/ Germany

World Allround Speed Skating Championships, March 18 – 19, 2006
Speed Skating Canada: Calgary/ Canada

Short Track Speed Skating

World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 6 - 8, 2006
To be decided

European Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 20 - 22, 2006
Polish Speed Skating Association: Krynica Zdroj/ Poland

World Short Track Speed Skating Team Championships, March 25 - 26, 2006
Speed Skating Canada: Montreal/ Canada

World Short Track Speed Skating Championships, March 31 – April 2, 2006
U.S. Speedskating: Minneapolis/ USA

Figure Skating

European Figure Skating Championships, January 16 – 22, 2006
Fédération Française des Sports de Glace : Paris/ France

Four Continents Figure Skating Championships, January 23 – 29, 2006
To be decided

World Junior Figure Skating Championships, March 6 – 12, 2006
Slovene Skating Union: Ljubljana/ Slovenia

World Figure Skating Championships, March 20 – 26, 2006
Skate Canada: Calgary/ Canada

Synchronized Skating

World Synchronized Skating Championships, March 31 - April 1, 2006
Czech Figure Skating Association: Prague/ Czech Republic

ISU Championships 2007

Speed Skating

European Speed Skating Championships, January 12 - 14, 2007
Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio: Collalbo/ Italy

World Sprint Speed Skating Championships, January 20 – 21, 2007
Norges Skøyteforbund: Hamar/ Norway

World Allround Speed Skating Championships, February 10 - 11, 2007
Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond: Heerenveen/ The Netherlands

World Junior Speed Skating Championships, February 23 - 25, 2007
Österreichischer Eisschnellauf Verband: Innsbruck/ Austria

World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships, March 8 - 11, 2007
U.S. Speedskating: Salt Lake City/ USA

Short Track Speed Skating

World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 12 - 14, 2007
Czech Speed Skating Federation: Mladá Boleslav/ Czech Republic

European Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 19 - 21 or February 9 - 11, 2007
National Ice Skating Association of UK: Sheffield/ UK

World Short Track Speed Skating Team Championships, March 25 - 26, 2006
To be decided

World Short Track Speed Skating Championships, March 16 - 18, 2007
Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio: Milan / Italy

Figure Skating

European Figure Skating Championships, January 22 - 28, 2007
Polish Figure Skating Association : Warsaw/ Poland

Four Continents Figure Skating Championships, February 5 - 11, 2007
To be decided

World Junior Figure Skating Championships, February 26 – March 4, 2007
Deutsche Eislauf-Union: Oberstdorf/ Germany

World Figure Skating Championships, March 19 – 25, 2007
Japan Skating Federation: Tokyo/ Japan

Synchronized Skating

World Synchronized Skating Championships, March 30 – 31, 2007
Skate Canada: London, Ontario/ Canada

7. Recognition of new World records Speed Skating

Upon the recommendation of the Speed Skating Technical Committee, the Council has recognized the following World records:

Men

Allround Combination 500/5000/1500/10000 meters

Mark Tuitert, NED	Heerenveen	09-11/.01.2004	151,691 p.
Chad Hedrick, USA	Hamar	07/08.02.2004	150,478 p.

Junior Men

500 meters

Joji Kato, JPN	Salt Lake City	13.12.2003	34,75
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5000 meters

Sven Kramer, NED	Calgary	12.03.2004	6.28,45
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Junior Ladies

500 meters

Sayuri Yoshi, JPN	Salt Lake City	12.12.2003	38,45
Sayuri Yoshi, JPN	Calgary	13.03.2004	38,09

1500 meters

Irene Wüst, NED	Calgary	11.03.2004	1.58,10
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3000 meters

Eriko Ishino, JPN	Hamar	07.02.2004	4.09,26
Irene Wüst, NED	Calgary	12.03.2004	4.08,64

Allround Combination 500/1500/1000/3000 meters

Irene Wüst, NED	Calgary	10-12.03.2004	158,916 p.
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8. Recognition of new World records Short Track Speed Skating

Upon the recommendation of the Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee, the Council has recognized the following World records:

Men

500 meters

Jean-François Monette, CAN	Calgary	18.10.2003	41,184
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1000 meters

Jiajun Li, CHN	Bormio	14.02.2004	1.24,674
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1500 meters

Hyun-Soo Ahn, KOR	Marquette	24.10.2003	2.10,639
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3000 meters

Hyun-Soo Ahn, KOR	Beijing	07.12.2003	4.32,646
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5000 meters Relay

Canada (Jonathan Guilmette, Jeffrey Scholten, Eric Bedard, Mathieu Turcotte)	Calgary	17.10.2003	6.43,667
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Republic of Korea (Suk-Woo Song, Hyun-Soo Ahn, Seung-Jae Lee, Nam-Kyu Cho)	Calgary	18.10.2003	6.42,893
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Ladies

1500 meters

Eun-Ju Jung, KOR	Beijing	11.01.2004	2.18,861
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3000 meters Relay

China (Wei Wang, Tianyu Fu, Meng Wang, Xiaolei Cheng)	Calgary	18.10.2003	4.11,802
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Republic of Korea (Eun-Kyung Choi, Min-Jee Kim, Chun-Sa Byun, Gi-Hyun Ko)	Calgary	19.10.2003	4.11,742
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Junior Ladies

1500 meters

Eun-Ju Jung, KOR

Beijing

11.01.2004

2.18,861

9. Assessment of Figure Skating Judges and Referees

The Single and Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating Technical Committees submitted their conclusions in regard to the assessment of Officials for the season 2003/04. For competitions conducted under the "Interim Judging System" and "new Judging System", the procedure outlined in ISU Communciation no 1238 was followed:

In accordance with Rules 421 and 427 (Single and Pair Skating), Rules 588 and 591 (Ice Dance) and Rules 815 and 822 (Synchronized Skating), the Council agreed to the assessments determined by the Technical Committees that can be summarized as follows:

a) Single and Pair Skating:

1 assessment 4
1 assessment 3
4 assessment 2
14 assessments 1

Total season 2003/04:	20 assessments / 0 demotions
Total season 2002/03:	11 assessments / 1 demotion
Total season 2001/02:	13 assessments/ 0 demotions

b) Ice Dance:

9 assessments 1

Total season 2003/04:	9 assessments / 0 demotions
Total season 2002/03:	4 assessments / 0 demotions
Total season 2001/02:	14 assessments/ 0 demotions

c) Synchronized Skating:

1 assessment 1

Total season 2003/04:	1 assessment / 0 demotions
Total season 2002/03:	2 assessments / 1 demotion
Total season 2001/02:	0 assessments / 0 demotions

The concerned Officials are being notified about the assessments through their Members.

Milan,

30 June 2004

Lausanne,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, General Secretary