ISU Regional North / East European Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and Novice Couples

The ISU announces that, in cooperation with the ISU Sports Director Figure Skating and with the support of the ISU Development Program, an International Regional Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and Couples of Novice age and level will be organized in:

Torun, Poland, August 12-20, 2018

The aim of the Seminar is the development of Ice Dance Coaches and their Couples to a higher level, the improvement of basic principles and technique of Ice Dance. The intention is to re-initiate Ice Dance in countries that had couples before, but have no or very little activity now, also the introduction of Ice Dance in new areas where it is not yet traditionally pursued. To help Ice Dance Coaches and Couples to a higher technical level, experienced Coaches will moderate the Seminar. Along with the extensive on-ice work daily off-ice classes will include theatre, ballet/jazz, lifts, relaxation/yoga, movement to music, ballroom dancing and dance technique lectures. For a more personal learning effect, the experts will be available for a one-to-one contact with the participating Coaches.

The Ice Dance Seminar is composed for Novice Ice Dance Couples with the following age requirements:
An Ice Dance Couple is eligible for participation if the Skaters have not reached the age of 15 for Ladies and Men, by July 1st preceding the Seminar.
The Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters at their own cost.

Participants should arrange to arrive in the afternoon of Sunday, August 12, 2018 in time for the opening of the Seminar at 18.00 and depart in the morning of Monday, August 20, 2018.

The Professional Team for the Seminar:

The Coach/Moderators:          Ms. Sylwia Nowak-Trebacka, POL
                                Mr. Michael Webster, ITA
                                Mr. Denis Samokhin, RUS

The off-ice Instructors:
Ballet                          Ms. Violetta Suska
Theatre                        Ms. Dorota Nowak
Physical preparation           Mr. Jacek Jankowski
Ballroom Dance                 Ms. Ludmila Chojnacka

Language
The Seminar will be conducted in English.
Entry & participation criteria and conditions

a) In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar the capacity will be limited to 24 Ice Dance Couples and 20 Coaches.

b) A ‘waiting list’ will be created for those Ice Dance Couples who cannot be accepted in the first run in order to offer the chance of acceptance and participation, should cancellations occur. ISU Members are requested to be considerate with the timing of cancellations in order to give other athletes the chance to participate.

c) Each ISU Member may enter Ice Dance Couples with no limitation, plus an unlimited number of Coaches to the Seminar. In case of too many Ice Dance Couples entered, the number will be reduced using primarily the age criteria starting from the highest age. In addition, the entries per region may be considered.

d) In addition, the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee together with the ISU Sports Director will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Skaters and/or Coaches) for which it sees a possibility of future development.

e) Only legitimate Ice Dance Couples and Coaches are to be entered.

f) As this ISU Development Training Seminar is organized to provide help and offer a quality learning experience to Ice Dance Coaches and their Couples, sending a “non-skating” person as a Coach is not appropriate.

g) Coaches who have not participated previously in the Seminar will have priority of acceptance.

h) The Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters at their own cost.

i) Participating Ice Dance Couples are expected to arrive physically fit and prepared.

j) Participating Ice Dance Couples are required to know the correct steps and timing of the Pattern Dance(s) of the respective season.

k) Accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) will have to participate from the beginning to the end of the Seminar unless receiving the permission prior to acceptance to do otherwise.

l) Ice Dance Couples must participate together with their announced Coaches. Should an announced Coach unexpectedly be unable to attend, subject to receiving permission from the ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, the participating Skaters must be accompanied by a responsible chaperone for the whole duration of the Seminar.

m) All participants must have Medical Insurance and have their valid Insurance Card with them to attend the Seminar.

Expenses

The financial responsibility for the Seminars is as follows:

a) **There will be a symbolic Participation Fee of EUR. 100 per accepted and participating Ice Dance Couple.** This Fee is to be paid in cash to the local coordinator upon arrival and registration in Torun.

b) The living expenses for the Seminar (room and meals) for the accepted Ice Dance Couples and 2 Coaches per ISU Member with a participating Junior Ice Dance Couple will be borne by the ISU for the period from dinner on Sunday, August 12, 2018, to breakfast on Monday, August 20, 2018.
c) ISU Members will be responsible for the travel expenses and arrangements to and from Torun for all participating Coaches and Skaters.

d) ISU Members shall also be responsible for the living expenses for Coaches attending without a participating Couple, or who are outside of the quota.

Cancellation policy:

All the facilities, including the Hotel have to be booked and paid for a month in advance. Consequently, no cancellations can be accepted after the following cancellation deadline: **Friday, July 13, 2018**.
The ISU shall invoice to the concerned ISU Members the related cancellation fees/costs representing 80% of the Hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

Applications

Applications must be received from the ISU Member in order to be considered.

ISU Members are requested clearly to indicate their priority of acceptance when applying.

Applications for the Seminar, together with the completed Appendices (Skaters and Coaches) must be sent no later than **Friday July 1, 2018** to Ms. Krisztina Regőczy, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, with copies to the ISU Secretariat, and to Mrs. Halina Gordon-Poltorak, Chair of the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee.

See contact details below:

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ISU Members will be notified of the acceptance of their application, together with other details by Ms. Krisztina Regőczy, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.

Tubbergen,  
April 18, 2018  
Jan Dijkema, President

Lausanne,  
April 18, 2018  
Fredi Schmid, Director General