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ISU DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION - VISITING ISU COACH INITIATIVE

The ISU Development Commission is pleased to announce the third year of the Visiting ISU Coach initiative to support Coaches and their education.

General Outline:

The program will offer ISU Members assistance in the form of a Visiting ISU Coach.

The program is aimed at ISU Members which need assistance in evaluating what is required to start a skating program, establishing coaching systems, teaching basic skating skills, ensuring technical improvement, refining their programs, preparing for competitions, etc. for any ISU discipline.

A Visiting ISU Coach will be a highly educated and experienced Coach offering his/her expertise and time to travel to the applicant ISU Member’s country to provide expert support and assistance. The ISU Development Program will cover the travel expenses and the honorarium for the Visiting ISU Coach, while the ISU Member will need to provide local transport, transfers and accommodation.

The Visiting ISU Coach will initially spend between 3 and 10 days in the ISU Member’s country, depending on the needs of the individual ISU Member. The structure of follow-up support, including up to two additional visits and intermediate online contact, will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Reports must be provided by both the ISU Member and by the Visiting Coach after the visits have taken place.

Application:

The deadline for applications to be submitted to the ISU Development Commission is June 26, 2020 for Visiting ISU Coach assistance during the 2020/2021 season. Applications must be made on the attached Appendix A.

The application should clearly and fully address why help is needed, what kind of assistance, and how the assistance will fit into the ISU Member’s overall strategy. Measures of success and accountability must be outlined. In view of the current worldwide Covid-19 travel restrictions, visits should not be proposed for dates before September 2020.

The budget for this initiative and the available time of a Visiting ISU Coach are limited. After the submission deadline, all applications will be considered on the basis of need, potential for effectiveness and spread between the targeted disciplines. ISU Members will be informed of whether their application has been successful within two months of the application deadline.

Tubbergen, May 14, 2020
Jan Dijkema, President

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