Communication No. 1907

PAIR SKATING

ISU Pair Skating Development Training Seminar for Coaches and Pair Skaters

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A. ISU Pair Skating Development Training Seminar for Coaches and Pair Skaters

The ISU announces that the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee through an initiative supported by the ISU Development Program is organizing an International Pair Skating Development Training Seminar for Coaches and Pair Skaters in:

Torun, Poland: April 9th to April 19th, 2015

This seminar substitutes the traditional Pair Skating Seminar in Berlin due to construction work in the Skating Arena. The aim of the Seminar is to develop Pair Skating to a high level and to introduce Pair Skating in new areas where it is not yet traditionally pursued. Top, world-class Coaches will moderate the Seminar. A ranked world-level pair team will be in attendance to assist. Daily off-ice classes, which will include ballet, lifts, relaxation/yoga, movement to music and the study of the Program Components. Coaches will find expert assistance in putting together suitable Skaters for developing new teams. For a more personal learning effect, the experts will be available for a one-to-one contact with participating Coaches.

The 2015 Pair Skating Seminar is composed for Novice and lower Junior- aged pairs with the following requirements:

A Pair is eligible for participating who

- has reached the age of 10 but not the age of 15 by July 1st, preceding the seminar (younger age)
- has reached the age of 12 but not the age of 19 for Ladies and Men, by July 1st, preceding the seminar (older age)

This seminar may also be viewed as a preparation to the Youth Olympic Games 2016 in Lillehammer, for which the age group in Pair Skating will be between 14 to 17 for Ladies and 16 to 19 for Men.

Remarks: "In case of vacancies the ISU is flexible in handling the male age limitation which should not exceed one (1) year to the above mentioned limitation. Any request within such a limitation will be handled after the entry deadline of January 7th, 2015."

The number of Pairs and Coaches entered from each Member has no limitation but a general guideline is been established to a maximum of two (2) Pairs per Member per category (Novice and Junior). In the case of too many Pairs entered, the ISU will reduce the number by using age as criteria. Preference will be given to Pairs entered for the first time and to new pair combinations. There will also be a
decision upon a follow-up project(s) for the participating Pairs. The Single & Pair Technical Skating Committee will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Skaters and/or Coaches) for which it sees a possibility of future development in Pair Skating.

The Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters.

It is understood that Skaters with no partner cannot be accepted to attend the Seminar.

The Moderators of the seminar are, Mr. Charlie Z. Cyr (ISU) Coordinator, Mr. Bruno Marcotte (CAN) Pair Skating element Coach, Mrs. Dorota and Mr. Mariusz Siudek (POL) Off Ice lifts & Pair element Coaches, Mr. Peter Gruetter (SUI) Singles element Coach, Mr. Stephane Lambiel (SUI) Stroking, Presentation and Training routine, and Mr. Alexander König (GER) all round Coach. In addition, Skating Coaches for Ballet and Expression/Theatre are working within the Seminar.

**Expenses**

The responsibility for the Seminar is as follows:

a) The living expenses (room and meal) for the accepted Skaters and 2 Coaches per Member, having participants in the Seminar, will be borne by the ISU for the period from dinner on Thursday April 9th, 2015 to lunch on Sunday, April 19th, 2015;

b) Members will be responsible for all travel expenses for Coaches and Skaters and the living expenses for Coaches attending, but being outside of the quota or having no participants in the seminar.

Participants should arrange to arrive in the evening of April 9th, 2015 and depart in the afternoon of April 19th, 2015. The Organizing Committee will meet the teams upon arrival at the airports in Warsaw or Gdansk provided that the arrival time is announced in time.

**B. General**

All the facilities, including the hotel, have to be booked and paid for the accepted participants, months in advance. Regretfully, we cannot accept any cancellation after the deadline as follows:

Members, who cancel participation after March 2nd, 2015, need to cover the usual “no show fee”, which is 80% of the hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar and to be fair to others waiting for participation, we will limit the capacity to 25 Pairs, but will create a waiting list for those Pairs, who cannot be accepted in the first run.

All participants must have a medical insurance and have their valid insurance card with them.

Participants need to have their general sport dress, as well as swimming outfits with them. Coaches also need to have their skates with them.

**Language**

The Seminar will be conducted in English.

**Applications**

Applications for the Seminar together with the files Attachment (for Skaters and Coaches) should be forwarded no later than **January 7th, 2015** to the ISU Secretariat with copies to Mr. Peter Krick, ISU Sport Manager Figure Skating, Mr. Charlie Z. Cyr, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, Mr. Alexander
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Members will be notified of the acceptance of their application, hotel and other details by the ISU Secretariat as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.

C. ISU Sponsored Judges Seminar in Pair Skating

At the time of the Pair Skating Seminar an ISU Judges sponsored Seminar for Judges interested in Pair Skating will be conducted in

Torun, Poland: April 16th - April 19th, 2015

This Seminar is primarily for Judges and Referees with the qualification of at least “International”. However, national Judges may, upon application to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, also attend, subject to the availability of places.

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Applications must be received at least six (6) weeks prior to the start of the Seminar, which is March 5th, 2015. The Seminar will be conducted in English.

Judges are expected to arrive in Torun on Thursday, April 16th, 2015 - 17.00 latest. The seminar will be concluded on Sunday, April 19th, 2015 - 15.00.

Expenses

The responsibility for the expenses of this ISU Judges Seminar will be allocated as follows:

a) The administrative expenses (use of ice surface, classroom and all other supporting equipment/facilities) will be borne by the ISU;

b) The travel and living expenses of the moderators of the Seminar designated to serve will be borne by the ISU;

c) The living expenses of the participating Referees and Judges with the qualification “ISU” or “international” will be borne by the ISU; for Judges/Referees with national qualification, the living expenses must be borne by their respective Members, or by the Referees/Judges themselves;

d) The travel expenses of the participating Referees and Judges, independent of the qualification, will be borne by their respective Members;
D. ISU Sponsored Workshop for Judges as a Follow-Up Seminar of the Global Seminar 2014 in Frankfurt

As a follow-up seminar of the ISU Global Seminar in Frankfurt 2014 for new Judges with the qualification “International”, selected Judges are invited to participate in a workshop for Pair Skating. The invitation to attend this workshop is strictly personal and only open for Judges, who participated in the seminar and examination in Frankfurt 2014.

The workshop will start on Wednesday, April 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2015 – 14.00 and will be closed on Sunday, April 19\textsuperscript{th}, 2015 around 15.00. Participants are requested to arrive in Torun on April 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2015 until 13.00. The departure should be planned on Sunday, April 19\textsuperscript{th}, 2015 - 15.00.

Participants in the workshop will also be included into the Sponsored Judges Seminar as explained under paragraph C. of this Communication.

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b) The travel and living expenses of the moderators of the Seminar designated to serve will be borne by the ISU;

c) The living expenses of the participating Judges will be borne by the ISU;

d) The travel expenses of the participating Judges will be borne by their respective Members; but the ISU will provide a small contribution to such expenses as follows:
   - Participants from Poland will receive a contribution up to CHF 50.00;
   - Participants from Europe will receive a contribution up to CHF 200.00;
   - Participants from North America and Asia will receive a contribution of up to CHF 500.00;
   - Participants from Australia/New Zealand will receive a contribution of up to CHF 750.00.

Milan, Ottavio Cinquanta, President
October 17, 2014

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