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ICE DANCE

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

The ISU announces that the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee through an initiative of the ISU Sport Director and with the support by the ISU Development Program is organizing an International Regional Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and Couples of beginner / Novice age and level in:

Torun, Poland, August 13 - 20, 2017

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 Professional Team for the Seminar:

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

The off-ice Instructors:
Ballet: Mrs. Anna Krzyskow
Theatre: Mrs. Dorota Nowak
Physical Prep.: Mr. Jacek Jankowski
Ballroom Dance: Mr./Mrs. Krystyna & Piotr Ruszkiewicz

The 2017 Ice Dance Seminar is composed for Novice aged Couples with the following age requirements: An Ice Dance Couple is eligible for participation if the Skaters have reached the age of 10 but not the age of 15 for Ladies and Men, by July 1st preceding the Seminar.

Each ISU Member may enter Couples and Coaches with no limitation to the Seminar. In case of too many Couples entered, the ISU will reduce the number using primarily the age criteria and/or the region as limitation, starting from the highest age. In addition, the Ice Dance Technical Committee together with the Sport Director Figure Skating will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Couples and/or Coaches) for which it sees a possibility of future development.

The Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without participating Couples.
Expenses
The financial responsibility for the Seminar is as follows:

a) **There will be a Symbolic Participation Fee of EUR 100 per accepted and participating Couple**

b) The living expenses (room and meal) for the accepted Couples and Coaches will be borne by the ISU for the period from dinner on Sunday, August 13th to breakfast on Sunday, August 20th, 2017.

c) ISU Members will be responsible for all 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 being outside of the quota.

Arrival and departure
Participants should arrange to arrive in the afternoon on Sunday, August 13th in time for the opening of the Seminar at 18.00, and depart in the morning of Sunday, August 20th, 2017.

General
In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar and to be fair to others, waiting for participation, the ISU will limit the capacity to **24 Couples and 20 Coaches** per Seminar. A “waiting list” will be created for those, who cannot be accepted in the first run in order to offer the chance of acceptance and participation should cancellations occur. Please be considerate with the timing of cancellations to give your athlete friends the chance to participate.

Please indicate clearly your priority of acceptance when applying.

- **Applications must arrive from the ISU Members in order to be considered.**
- **The Symbolic Participation Fee** of EUR 100 per accepted and participating Couple is to be paid in cash to the local coordinator upon arrival in Torun.
- **Cancellation policy:**
  All the facilities, including the Hotel has to be booked and paid for the accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) a month in advance. Regretfully we cannot accept any cancellations after the deadline. Cancellation deadline is **Friday, July 7th 2017.**
  The ISU shall forward the related cancellation fees/costs to the ISU Members, which is 80% of the Hotel rate of the concerned person(s).
- Only legitimate Ice Dance Couples and Coaches are to be entered.
- Participating Ice Dance Couples are required to know the correct steps and timing of the Pattern Dance(s) of the respective season.
- **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.**
- **Couples must participate together with their announced Coaches.** Should an announced Coach unexpectedly be unable to attend, - after receiving permission from the Sport Director Figure Skating – the participating Skaters must be accompanied by a responsible chaperone for the whole duration of the Seminar.
- All participants must have Medical Insurance valid on travel to and on site of the Seminar and have their valid Insurance Card with them to attend the Seminar.
- 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.

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 **Friday, June 9th, 2017** to Mrs. Krisztina Regőczy, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating with copies to the ISU Secretariat and Mrs. Halina Gordon-Poltorak, Chair of the 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 the ISU Sport Director Figure Skating as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.

Tubbergen,  
March 24, 2017  

Lausanne,  

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**Jan Dijkema**, President  
**Fredi Schmid**, Director General