# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

# **Communication No. 1977**

## ICE DANCE

## Application to hold ISU Seminars for Ice Dance Referees and Judges in 2016 hosted by Members

In accordance with the ISU Regulations, Rule 417, paragraph 1, Members may send to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Ice Dance Technical Committee, applications to host ISU Seminars for Ice Dance Referees and Judges in 2016 fulfilling the characteristics below.

The deadline for these applications is established as **January 1, 2016**. The application form is attached to this Communication.

#### Purpose

These ISU Seminars will include a Referees section and a Judges section. They form ISU Seminars for re-appointment of International Judges, first appointment of ISU Judges, re-appointment of International Referees and re-appointment of ISU Referees, and therefore they serve the purposes of seminar attendance requirements included in Rule 412, paragraphs 1.d) (i), 2.c), 3.d) (i), 4.c) and Rule 413, paragraphs 2.c), 3.d), 4.c).

#### Moderators

Moderators designated by the respective Technical Committees must conduct these Seminars.

#### **Participants**

These ISU Seminars are primarily for the Referees and Judges of the Host Member. However, Referees and Judges of other Members can also attend subject to the availability of places.

Members wishing to nominate Referees and Judges to participate in these ISU Seminars, or the ISU Referees/Judges themselves, may make an application to the ISU Secretariat, with copies to the Host Member and the Chair of the Ice Dance Technical Committee, not later than six weeks prior to the scheduled date of the Seminar. The Host Member must also send to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Ice Dance Technical Committee, the names of those of its own Referees and Judges who will attend the Seminar for the final approval.

If a Seminar is organized in conjunction with an International Competition, the participants at the Seminar cannot also serve as Referees and Judges at the competition.

The Host Member may request the participation also of Coaches, - whom are interested to learn and receive useful information, - to attend these ISU Seminars (if places are available) and must send their names to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Ice Dance Technical Committee for the final approval.

Please note that at all 2016 ISU Figure Skating Championships (2016 ISU European Figure Skating Championships, 2016 ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championship, 2016 ISU World Junior

Figure Skating Championships, 2016 ISU World Figure Skating Championships) the Initial Judges Meetings will be conducted by a member of the Ice Dance Technical Committee. Each Initial Judges Meeting and the respective Round Table Discussion will form together an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU Judges, as per Rule 417, paragraph 5. The Judges officiating at 2016 ISU Figure Skating Championships are not required to attend an ISU Seminar presented in this Communication to fulfill the requirement of having completed an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU Judges. However Members are reminded that those Initial Judges Meeting and Round Table Discussions no longer form ISU Seminars for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees, they still may need to attend one to fulfill the requirement of having completed an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees.

### Language

These ISU Seminars will be conducted in English.

### Expenses

The responsibility for the expenses of these ISU Seminars will be allocated as follows:

- a) The administrative expenses (use of ice surface, classroom and all supporting equipment/facilities) will be borne by the Host Member.
- b) The travel and living expenses of the Moderators will be borne by the ISU.
- c) The travel and living expenses of the participants will be borne by their respective Members, or by the ISU Referees/Judges themselves in case of direct application (not through the Members).

The ISU can contribute financially only to a limited number of these ISU Seminars each year. If the ISU is unable to contribute to the expenses of a Seminar following the above guidelines and applied as per the procedure above, the Host Member can nevertheless make the application for its recognition. If recognition is granted, the total expenditure will then be borne by the Host Member.

Members who do not receive financial assistance from the ISU could apply to their respective NOC for possible funding through Olympic Solidarity.

Note: ISU Seminars and ISU Examinations for first appointment of International Judges (Rule 413, paragraphs 1.c) and 1.d)), International Referees (Rule 412, paragraphs 1.d) (ii) and 1.e)) and ISU Referees (Rule 412, paragraphs 3.d) (ii) and 3.e)) will be held in Frankfurt, Germany, in July, 2017 for first appointment on the 2017/18 list of Officials, and will be announced in due time in a subsequent ISU Communication.

Milan, October 29, 2015 Lausanne, Ottavio Cinquanta, President

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