



INFORMATION

YEREVAN, ARMENIA

OCTOBER 10th-13th, 2018

Yerevan: the capital of Armenia



In October Yerevan will celebrate its 2800th anniversary.

According to legends Noah lived at this territory before the Great Flood. And after leaving his ark on top of Ararat Mountain, he got down back to the valley where Yerevan is located nowadays.

Yerevan, or rather Erebuni Fortress, was founded by the king Argishti of Urartu in 782 BC, that is 29 years earlier than Rome. This fort is situated on the southern border of modern Yerevan.

Armenia is the world's first country which adopted Christianity as its state religion (in 301). And later, in 303, 20 kilometers away from Yerevan Etchmiadzin Cathedral was founded. It has been the residence of the Patriarch (the Catholicos) of the Armenian Apostolic Church from that time to the present.



One of the main museums of Yerevan is the Mesrop Mashtots Institute of Ancient Manuscripts, commonly referred to as the Matenadaran. It was founded in 1920 on the basis of Etchmiadzin collection of manuscripts. The Matenadaran is in possession of a collection of the 5th-18th-century manuscripts and unique Armenian books, including the Lazar Gospel (887), the Etchmiadzin Gospel (989) and the Mugni Gospel (the 11th century). The world's first textbook of arithmetic tasks was compiled by Armenian scientist David the Invincible. It is also kept at the Matenadaran.

Moreover, the Matenadaran is a home of four Guinness world record manuscripts - the biggest, the smallest, the thickest and the thinnest books on Earth.

In Yerevan water is so clean that you can drink it even from the tap. In 1968 in the capital of Armenia drinking fountains (սրբաբերիչ [pulpulak] in Armenian) were constructed - 2750 of them by the number of years Yerevan turned that year. People can drink water from them since it has come through all the necessary purification processes.

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Yerevan is among the top 100 safest cities in the world. And this fact truly reflects the reality - you can feel completely safe in the capital of Armenia since it is practically impossible to meet drunk or aggressive people there even at night.

Yerevan is often called "the pink city", because the majority of buildings there are made out of tuff - volcanic rocks of a shade of pink.

At the Republic Square in front of the the History Museum and the National Gallery of Armenia there are "singing" fountains which water produces melodic sounds while falling to the rocks.

Armenian cuisine - a find for gourmets

Armenian cuisine is as old as the history of this country. Armenian culinary traditions go back more than 2500 years. Armenian dishes are characterized by their unique spicy flavour. For achieving this remarkable taste Armenian cooks use more than 300 kinds of wild herbs and flowers which can become seasonings or even a main course.

Armenia is the country of the world's oldest winery. It was discovered several years ago in the village of Areni. According to experts, people made wine at that place more than 6000 years ago.



One of the most famous attractions of Armenia is Lake Sevan. It is the second world's biggest mountain freshwater lake. It is situated at an altitude of 1900 metres above sea level and its depth is 95 metres.

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1. WELCOME

The Figure Skating Federation of Armenia has a great pleasure to welcome all participants to Yerevan for the ISU Junior Grand Prix 2018/19, Armenian Cup 2018.

This handbook contains some useful information for your stay here in Yerevan.

2. THE OFFICIAL HOTEL

ISU Event Officials, Judges, ISU Support Staff, Technical Support Staff, Skaters, Team Leaders, Coaches, Team Medical Staff, Team Officials, Coaches, Chaperons

Ani Plaza Hotel ****

19 Sayat-Nova Ave

0001 Yerevan

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The room rates of the Organizing Committee are as following:

Single room 100 Euro

Twin room 75 Euro (per person)

All rates are per person and night, including breakfast, GST and all local tourist taxes.

Payment

The Organizing Committee will pay for accommodation for ISU Event Officials (Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data / Replay Operators), Judges and Competitors beginning with dinner on Tuesday, October 09th, 2018 until breakfast on Sunday, October 14th 2018.

Payments for accommodation have to be made at accreditation desk in Ani Plaza Hotel.

Incidentals

Any incidentals (i.e. telephone, room service, etc.) need to be paid prior to departure by each individual at the front desk.

Questions and requests about accommodation

For any questions in regard to accommodation, travel arrangements, finances and meal service please contact our staff at the Organizing Committee Office, Ani Plaza Hotel.

3. CHAPERONE TICKETS

Officially entered chaperons (one per skater) will not be accredited, but receive a "Bus Permit" to join the shuttle bus system and need to purchase an event ticket at a price of \$ **10.00** to have access to all practice sessions, competitions.

"Bus Permits" and event tickets for chaperones are available at the Organizing Committee Office, Ani Plaza Hotel at the accreditation room.

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4. MEALS

ISU Event Officials (Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data/Replay Operators), Judges and Competitors will receive meal-vouchers for the period, covered through the Organizing Committee, beginning on Tuesday October 09nd, 2018 with dinner until Sunday, October 14th, 2018 including breakfast.. Meal vouchers are not transferable.

All other accredited persons may purchase meal vouchers at the accreditation room located in the Ani Plaza Hotel.

Lunch or Dinner per voucher \$ 25.00 (Each meal includes a non-alcoholic drink.)

Meal Hours

Breakfast	06:00 – 10:00
Lunch	12:00 – 15:30
Dinner	18:00 – 22:30
Competition days late dinner	till 01:00

5. SKATING LOUNGE

The Skating Lounge at the Ice Rink serves all Skaters, Team Leaders, Team Medical Staff, Coaches, Event Officials and Judges. The selection includes coffee, tea, soft drinks, light snacks. The Skating Lounge is open during all practices and competitions. Please do not take food with you as its safety cannot be guaranteed if not stored properly. The Skating Lounge is located at the Ice Rink.

6. JUDGES' ROOM and TECHNICAL PANEL ROOM

The Judges' Room and Technical Panel Room are located in the main concourse of the Ice Rink (level 0).

Light snacks and refreshments for the judges will be served during competition times in the judge's room. Outside the competition times, please use the Skating Lounge for refreshments.

7. SKATERS SERVICE

Seamstress service, skate repair and skate sharpening service will be offered upon request. Please contact the Local Organizing Committee Office in the Ice Rink (level 0).

8. EVENT SHUTTLE

Shuttle busses connecting the Ani Plaza Hotel and the Irina Rodnina Ice Rink will be available between October 10th and October 13th. Transportation is available to all accredited persons carrying an ID card and official registered chaperones holding a bus permit. The busses will be leaving from hotel as well as from the parking near the ice rink every 30 minutes. The bus ride takes about 20 minutes in low traffic times and up to 40 minutes at high traffic.

For details, please see the bus schedule which will be available during accreditation.

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9. AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION

The fee for the pick-up service at Zvartnots Airport is € 30.00 per person (€ 15.00 for round trip) and need to be paid upon arrival at registration.

The team leaders and other individuals must verify with the OC the departure times at the Organizing Committee Office, Ani Plaza Hotel upon arrivalst to secure the departure transport.

Pick-up times to the airport will be posted the day prior the departure.

For further information or in case of a problem please contact the Organizing Committee Office, at the ice rink on the level O indicated Transportation Service.

10. INFORMATION

Communications, results and other information to the teams will be available in the Team Leaders' boxes which are placed in front of the Skating Lounge.

Team Leaders, please empty your boxes daily!

In addition information boards are available at the main and practice rink as well as the official hotel.

11. MEDICAL SERVICES

Medical Services are available at both rinks during all practices and competitions.

In the hotel contact the OC Information desk or the front desk, they will call a medical doctor.

12. ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

Anti-Doping tests will be carried out according to the ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures, as given in the applicable ISU Communications (ISU Communications No. 1922 & 2117 or later updates).

13. SEATING AT THE RINK

Organizing Committee provides tickets for all events. The seating places for all participants and chaperons is on public area sector A.

14. VISA

Organizing Committee would like to inform that there some countries who need to open Armenian visa upon arrival in airport of Yerevan. Visa for one person costs around 10USD. Here the countries, who need to open the visa:

Canada, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong China, India, Israel, Mexico, Mongolia, Philippine, Thailand, Turkey

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15. MUSIC

Original music can be collected directly after each final event at the Ice Rink (music stand) and in addition for music not collected at the Ice Rink on Saturday, October 13th from 19:00 at the accreditation room :Ani Plaza Hotel.

16. PRIZE MONEY CERTIFICATES

Team Leaders can collect the Prize Money Certificates for the competitors on Saturday, October 13th from 21:00 till 23:00 at the the Organizing Committee Office in Ani Plaza Hotel.

17. IMPORTANT CONTACTS

President of Armenian Figure Skating Federation	Melanya Stepanyan
Head OC	Sarkis Tewanian
Local Event Coordinator	Piotr Nowak
Accreditation	Margus Herniks
Printing Office	Armen Ter-Gazarian
Coordination Announcer / Music	Maria Kleber
Transportation	Narek Tevanyan, Gevorg Tevanyan
Off-Ice Functions and Meetings	Emil Danielyan
Press Centre and Media	Karen Giloyan
Official Result Provider	Swiss Timing

18. IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS and CONTACTS

Country Code Armenia	+374
Area Code Yerevan	10
OC Head	+374-94559528
Sarkis Tewanian	

19. SOCIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS

- **Team Leaders Meeting**
Wednesday, October 10th – 10:00
Ice Rink
 - **Intermediate Draws**
Arena (Ice Rink) – level 0
 - **Technical Panel Meetings**
Wednesday, October 10th, 2018
Irina Rodnina Ice Rink– Technical Panel Room
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| TBA | Ladies Technical Panel Meeting |
| TBA | Men Technical Panel Meeting |
| TBA | Ice Dance Technical Panel Meeting |

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- **Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting**
Wednesday, October 10th, 2018 – 16:00
Irina Rodnina Ice Rink– Judges Room

- **Judges Draw and Meeting**
Wednesday, October 10th, 2018 – 17:00
Irina Rodnina Ice Rink– Judges Room

- **Reception for ISU Officials and Judges**
Wednesday, October 10th, 2018 – 20:00

- **Round Table Discussions, Technical Panel Review Meetings**

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Saturday, October 13th, 2018

08:00	Ladies Technical Panel Review Meeting	(Hotel Ani Plaza,)
09:00	Ladies – Round Table Discussion	(Hotel Ani Plaza)
TBA	Ice Dance Technical Panel Review Meeting	(Ice Rink, Technical Panel Room)
20:00	Ice Dance – Round Table Discussion	(Hotel Ani Plaza)
TBA	Men Technical Panel Review Meeting	(Ice Rink , Technical Panel Room)
21:30	Men – Round Table Discussion	(Hotel Ani Plaza)