

### **NEBELHORN-TROPHY 2020**

FRITZ-GEIGER-MEMORIAL TROPHY 2020



Part of the ISU Challenger events 2020/2021

# **INFORMATION GUIDE**









Ladies and Gentlemen, dear Skaters, dear Friends,

Slowly the Covid-19 restrictions will be lowered and most of the Government decisions are a borderline between keeping the number of infections as low as possible and giving back the population a kind of "normal" life, of which sport is an essential part. So also, in Germany. As of today, we do hope that at least a limited number of spectators are allowed to attend an indoor sport-event and that the travel restrictions for more countries will be lowered.

The Organizing Committee of the 52<sup>nd</sup> "Nebelhorn-Trophy in Oberstdorf" continues its preparation work and will start the event as scheduled with the necessary permission of our Government. We have worked out a guide for movements within the arena, a hygienic concept and most important a guide to keep the distance between each individuals, the teams, the viewers, and guests.

We, however, must ask for your understanding that once the situation will change and does not allow us to conduct our event, we need to cancel the competition on a very short notice.

As in the previous years, the 2020 "Nebelhorn-Trophy" is part of the ISU Challenger events and to make your points for the ISU World Standing and the required Technical Minimum Scores (see also ISU Communication2335).

We will offer our deepest thanks to the International Skating Union for their confidence and trust, our sincere welcome to all guests and to the participants from all around the World and the best of luck and success.

Good luck for your preparation, stay healthy and welcome to Oberstdorf.

Dieter Hillebrand Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V. President







### Area

Oberstdorf is located in the southern area of Germany and is the centre of tourism within the region called "Oberallgäu". About 10.000 inhabitants live in Oberstdorf, but more than 20.000 beds are available for guests during the year.

The pedestrian area in the village might be the biggest in the World (227.500 square meters) – only a few streets are available for traffic. Oberstdorf was the first community in



Germany, which kept the cars outside the village. The altitude of the village itself is 813 m; the highest mountain next door, the Nebelhorn, is over 2.200 m. All kind of sport activities are possible. Magnificent ski areas, more than 200 km of well-equipped walking ways into the 7 valleys, used also for cross-country skiing in the wintertime, mountain climbing, golf, rafting and many other indoor and outdoor varieties are offered, but one of the main attractions in Oberstdorf is the National Training Centre for Figure Skating, one of the "ISU Centres of Excellence".

### Venue

Two 30x60m sized fully air-conditioned ice rinks, side by side, one with 1.600 spectator seats and the smaller one with 600 spectator seats and a Curling rink, also used for all kinds of skating, with the ice surface of 20x45m, also fully air-conditioned, are the heart of the National Training Centre for Figure Skating in Oberstdorf. A dormitory school with 44 beds,

mainly used by the German Ski Federation, a restaurant, fitness centre with a fully equipped centre for medical treatment and a sauna is available for skaters, living in this centre for a longer or shorter period. Many famous skaters from Germany and other countries used the excellent facilities of the training-centre like Jane Torvill and Christopher Dean, Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay, Norbert Schramm, Scott Hamilton, Susanna Rahkamo and Petri Kokko or the bronze medallists of the ISU World Championships 2004 Kati Winkler and Renè Lohse, Carolina Kostner and Tomas Verner and, last but not least, Aljona Savchenko and Bruno Massot. Oberstdorf has always been the place for figure skating and since 1958, when they opened the first summer skating facility, the name of the center has a special sound within the skating family.



The venue is been awarded by the ISU as one of the "ISU Centres of Excellence for Figure Skating", an award which mirrors the past and the future of our Skating Centre.





### THE COMPETITION



The "Nebelhorn-Trophy" is one of the oldest and most traditional international events in Figure Skating within the ISU. Created in 1963 first as an international Dance event around Eastern, moved to an international competition for Juniors and finally in 1969 established in the format of today. 2020 is the 52<sup>nd</sup> edition of this event.

After the Games is before the Games and Oberstdorf is always one of the first competitions in the year towards the next Olympic Games, which will be Beijing 2022 and,

with the Challenger events, this road is well paved for the future and the future stars.

# HOTEL

All Competitors, Coaches and Team Leaders, as well as Team Officials, Medical Staff or Chaperones are requested to take care about accommodation and bear their own expenses. Hotel accommodation can be booked through the following agency:

Tourismus Oberstdorf im Oberstdorf Haus- Vertrieb -Prinzregenten-Platz 1; D-87561 Oberstdorf / GermanyPhone:+49 8322 700 1305E-mail:reservierung@oberstdorf.de

Online booking: <u>https://eislauf-union.de/events/nebelhorn-trophy-hotel</u>

Please use the online booking possibility, which will help our partners to find an appropriate proposal for your needs.

# The OC will care about the accommodation for the confirmed judges of the competition, the Referees and Technical Panels.

The accommodation of all event Officials will be announced at a later stage and individually.

### Expenses

The OC will cover accommodation and meals for all **Referees**, **Technical Controllers**, **Technical Specialists and Data and Replay Operator**, who are serving in the "Nebelhorn-Trophy" from

Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 starting with dinner until Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, ending with breakfast

and for all Judges, drawn and accepted for the event, from

Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020, starting with Lunch until Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020, ending with breakfast







The Organizing Committee will provide all persons, as mentioned above, with meal coupons, valid only in the Restaurant of the Skating arena.

All other Team Members have to bear their own expenses.

Travel expenses will be covered by the OC for all Referees, the Technical Panels, the Dataand the Replay Operators.

### **CALCULATION OF EVENTS**

The events will be calculated according to Rule 352 and 353.

### PANEL OF JUDGES

It is the intention of the Organizing Committee to accept as many judges as required and needed. We will, however, inform the Members concerned prior to any flight bookings who has been accepted as Judge and whose entry needs to be withdrawn. For this purpose, a preliminary draw will be made in public. We try to realize a panel of 7 Judges each discipline with a minimum of 6 Judges.

In case of needed, a split of the panel with a draw on site will decide, which Judge will start to judge the first segment and which Judge will serve in the second segment (see also the principles of ISU Rule 582).

### WORLD RANKING POINTS

The "Nebelhorn-Trophy", as part of the "Challenger events" and will count for World Ranking points. Skaters/couples placed in the top eight (8) in the single disciplines and the top five (5) in Pairs and the top six (6) in Ice Dance will be awarded with points according to the respective ISU Communication 2227. Any update of the ISU for this season, based on the limitation of travelling, will be valid for the "Nebelhorn-Trophy".

### ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Teams arriving at Munich airport may request a special transportation by bus to Oberstdorf, provided the arrival time and the request for such transportation has been announced and confirmed in time. The costs per person and one way are € 50,00. Only in very exceptional cases transport for single persons will be provided at the cost of the person concerned. For this purpose, the OC will have up to three (3) buses on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 running from Munich Airport to Oberstdorf. One bus in the morning, one bus around noon and one bus in the evening. Depending on the demand, additional bus(es) may be organized also on Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 as well.

The same procedure will be handled for the departure.







Detailed information will be given to the Members after the August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

#### **IMPORTANT**

If you book your flights, please make sure that

- no arrival time in Munich should be planned later than 18.00 h
- no departure from Munich should be planned before 11.00 h

There is nearly no chance to reach Oberstdorf by public transport for those who will arrive outside the time-range and there is no chance to catch flights earlier than indicated above. The earliest train from Oberstdorf is leaving at 06:00am and it takes its time to the airport. An overnight stay in Munich would be necessary.

### TRAVEL INFORMATION

Oberstdorf, located in the south of Germany, is easy to reach.

#### By plane



#### Airport Munich – official airport

Airport shuttle-train to Munich main station (follow the green signs to S1 or S8). The train needs 45 min. to reach Munich main station, where you need to change for train on platform 29 - 36 to the departure platform for Oberstdorf.

For the train connection Munich Main Station to Oberstdorf please see "trains".

#### By train



#### Munich Main Station - official train station

Nearly every hour a train is running from Munich to Oberstdorf. Most of them are "direct trains" without any necessary change. The time to calculate is app. 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

Other train connections are directly from the northern part of Germany to Oberstdorf via Ulm.

The train ride leads you through the most beautiful area of southern Bavaria, stops in one of the oldest Roman settlement in Germany, Kempten, and brings you into Oberstdorf.

By car



<u>Munich to Oberstdorf</u> Motorway to Kempten either via Munich or Ulm. Distances: Munich – Oberstdorf 220 km Also easy to reach from Zürich (SUI) via St. Gallen, St. Margarethen, Bregenz.







### USEFUL INFORMATION

#### Passport and Visa Requirements

All citizen from the Schengen area may enter Germany without presenting his or her passport. For citizen from other countries a valid passport is necessary. Please check with the German Embassy or Consulate whether your country also needs a visa for entering the country.

Any Covid-19 changes must be observed.

#### VAT

The VAT is always included in the price presented to the customers/guests in shops and restaurants etc. and will be 16 %, for hotels only 5%. Refunds of VAT is in general not possible. Tipping at restaurant is not mandatory, but welcome.

#### Currency & Banks

The currency used in Germany is EURO ( $\in$ ). The banks in Oberstdorf are all closed Saturdays and Sundays. The opening hours are as following:

Banks in Oberstdorf	Days	Opening hours	
Raiffeisenbank Oberstdorf Nebelhornstr. 2	Mon. – Wen. Thu. Fri.	08:30 - 16:00 08:30 - 18:00 08:30 - 15:00	
Sparkasse Oberstdorf Bahnhofsplatz 2 (Near the train station)	Mo. – Thu. Wed. Fri.	08:30 - 12:00 & Afternoon closed 08:30 – 16:00	14:00 – 16:00

#### Electricity

Electrical sockets are 220 – 240 V AC 50 Hz, using 2 pin plugs.

### ACCREDITATION

The accreditation is open from Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 – 12:00 in the morning and ending once the competition is concluded. Please see also the Operating hours as displayed. The location of the accreditation is in the Skating Arena, Ice Rink 2

Accepted Team Members will receive an ID-Pass for the whole period of the events; accepted chaperones need to purchase an all-event-ticket, which includes the final exhibition, at the prize of  $\in$  65,00 each.







# MUSIC

With the new Rule, accepted at the ISU Congress 2016 concerning "Digital Music", the Organizing Committee decided upon the following solution:

"In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1 all Competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality in digital audio file. The OC of the "Nebelhorn-Trophy" requests that the music files will be submitted on preferable on CD or any other transportable independent free accessible medium onside at the time of registration. The Organizing Committee will keep the medium with the music files until the end of the competition, therefore it is not acceptable to use any kind of smart phone, tablet or similar medium to provide the music.

Each program (short program, free skating, short dance, free dance) **must** be recorded on a separate file. In addition, competitors/couples **must provide a CD as back-up medium for each program**." The OC will copy each individual music to be played during practice and event.

### DRAWS

The Organizing Committee is following the decision of the ISU Congress 2018, Rule 513, paragraph 2, and will use existing procedure for "ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series (Senior) for Short Programs and Rhythm Dance and the "reverse order system" for the final Free Skating/Free Dance.

# EXHIBITION

The top 3 placed skaters/couples in each discipline plus additional hand-picked skaters/couples are invited to participate in the final Exhibition on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020, starting at 20:15 h.

### FRITZ-GEIGER-MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Fritz-Geiger-Memorial Trophy is a team event within the "Nebelhorn-Trophy". Only the best placed skater/couple of each participating ISU member will count for points according to the scale, explained in details in the official announcement. The Trophy is named after the late President of the German Skating Federation, Mr. Fritz Geiger, who was the Director of the Tourist Board in Oberstdorf and the initiator of the skating-centre. The Trophy has been donated by US Figure Skating.

# **ENVIRONMENT**

The Organizing Committee very much support the activity of IOC and ISU, not to use any plastic material on the occasion of our event. We will e.g. provide in our VIP Lounge only

glass bottles, no plastic bottles, and for the skaters area only water container. Consequently, we kindly ask our Teams to use their own "drinking bottles/cups" for filling-up.





Regulations concerning service during "Covid-19" time will be strictly observed.

We are sure, you will understand our action.

### CONTACTS

Please send your entire request regarding the competition to

Deutsche Eislauf-Union e.V. Menzinger Str. 68 D-80992 Munich phone: +49 89 8560 9420 fax: +49 89 8560 9426 E-mail: event@eislauf-union.de

With respect to the involvement of the ISU in the event, any questions related to the Challenger events should be addressed to

International Skating Union Ms. Patricia Mayor Avenue Juste-Olivier 17 CH-1006 Lausanne entries@isu.ch

or

Peter Krick Consultant Am Schorn 38 D.82327 Tutzing <u>peter.krick@eventint.com</u> Phone: +49 8158 90 30 68

#### Good luck, have a nice and safe travel to Oberstdorf

Your Organizing Committee





### **SCHEDULE** (SUBJECT TO CHANGES)

A preliminary schedule could be set-up as follows:

#### Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

Day of Arrival

#### Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020

Official Practice 18:00 h Team Leaders' Meeting 20:15 h ISU Dinner

#### Thursday, September 24th, 2020

09:00 h	Judges D	<b>Draw and Meeting</b>
13:00 h	Men	Short Program
	Ladies	Short Program
	Pairs	Short Program

#### Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

13:00 h	Ice Dance	Rhythm Dance	
	Men	Free Skating	
	Victory Ceremony Men		
	Pairs	Free Skating	
	Victory Ceremony Pairs		

#### Saturday, September 26th, 2020

- 07:30 h RTD Pairs and Men
- 10:30 h Ladies Free Skating Ice Dance Free Dance Victory Ceremony Ladies & Ice Dance
- 20:15 h EXHIBITION
- 18:00 h RTD Ladies 20:00 h RTD Ice Dance
- 20:15 h Victory Ceremony Fritz-Geiger-Memorial Trophy Exhibition

#### Sunday, September 27th, 2020

08:30 h Meetings Technical Committees Single & Pairs and Ice Dance

Departure

