

SOFIA TROPHY 2023

Sofia, Bulgaria

03-07 February 2023



ANNOUNCEMENT

Supported By:



BULGARIAN SKATING FEDERATION
and
FIGURE SKATING CLUB DENKOVA-STAVISKI
Invites you to attend the

SOFIA TROPHY

Sofia, Bulgaria
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INTERNATIONAL FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION
in Single skating for
Seniors and Juniors



Please note:

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to cancel or postpone the “Sofia Trophy 2023” if due to the Coronavirus (Covid-19) the decision or recommendation of the national/local Government will not agree to conduct such an event or if the travel restrictions into and out of Bulgaria will block the Teams for an unexpected period.

1. GENERAL INFORMATION:

The **SOFIA TROPHY** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2022, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2022, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **SOFIA TROPHY 2023** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member and qualify regarding eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3 and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 2030 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 2030 all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

2. TECHNICAL DATA:

2.1 PLACE OF THE EVENT:

Winter Sports Palace – Studentski grad District, Academician Boric Stefanov Str., Sofia, Bulgaria (an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 30 x 60 m, air-conditioned and heated).

2.2 CATEGORIES:

SENIOR LADIES & MEN

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022 and respective ISU Communications.

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec, +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 4 min 00 sec, +/- 10 sec

JUNIOR LADIES & MEN

Technical Requirements are in accordance with ISU Technical Rules, Single and Pair Skating 2022 and respective ISU Communications.

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec, +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

3. ENTRIES:

All ISU members and clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with ISU, are invited to take part at the competition.

Competitors from categories Seniors and Juniors must be entered through their Member

Federation.

In case of too many entries, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants.

The entries for the competition must be done via web portal – www.europeancriterium.eu. Before entry procedure a representative of each federation/club needs to apply for a new account on www.europeancriterium.eu/Account/Register.

Together with online entries a filled Program Content Sheet for each skater must be sent to the following e-mail: sofiatrophphy@bsf.bg.

Entries must reach the Event Organizer not later than January 20, 2023

Program Content Sheet and additional forms can be downloaded from ISU website or from the official website of the competition: <http://sofia-trophy.clubdenkovstaviski.com>.

The organizer will not cover any expenses for competitors, team leaders, coaches, or chaperons.

4. CANCELLATION:

Cancellation of the competitor entry must be done till **January 27, 2023**. For any latter cancellation, the team leader of respective Federation or Club will be asked to pay the entry fee.

5. JUDGES:

Each participating ISU member may nominate one (1) International or ISU Judge. The nomination must be done via web portal – www.europeancriterium.eu, not later than **January 20, 2023**.

The Panels will be drawn immediately after the closing of entries. The members concerned will be notified of the result of the draw.

Each panel of Judges in Seniors and Juniors categories will consist of at least 5 Judges.

The organizer will provide and cover the expenses for rooms and meals for all Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators and confirmed Judges at **Vitosha Park Hotel******, beginning with dinner on Thursday, February 02, 2023, until lunch on Wednesday, February 08, 2023.

The Organizing Committee will cover the costs for travel expenses only for Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialist, Data and Replay Operators.

6. ENTRY FEE:

When payment is made by bank transfer before the deadline, entry fee is:

- Seniors and Juniors – **€ 85 per skater**.

Bank account:

INVESTBANK BULGARIA

IBAN: BG82IORT73711400332500

BIC: IORTBGSF

Bank holder: Club "Denkova-Staviski"

Please fill in the name, discipline of the skater and Club or Federation in the transfer details!

When payment is made after the deadline or on spot during the accreditation, entry fee is:

- Seniors and Juniors – **€ 100 per skater**.

The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals for any reason after the cancellation date.

7. EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROPHY:

SOFIA TROPHY 2023 is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2022/2023 for Juniors, Advanced Novices, and younger categories. Results of the Teams will count for competition of International Trophy of Figure Skating European Criterium. Individual points are automatically calculated for all skaters in every category and those are valid in the European Criterium Tournament for the same category. The age requirements and the special regulation for the European Criterium Trophy are published on the website of the EC: www.europeancriterium.eu.

8. CALCULATION OF THE RESULTS:

Results for all categories will be calculated using the new ISU Judging System.

The results and any additional information for the event will be published on the websites www.europeancriterium.eu and <http://sofia-trophy.clubdenkovastaviski.com>.

9. PRESENTATION OF MEDALS AND PRIZES:

The three best placed Skaters in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be presented to the medallists. All skaters will receive a diploma.

10. MUSIC:

The participating member is responsible for submitting the Competitor's music after registration data is sent and confirmed.

When competitor's application is sent it goes to status "pending". After the application is confirmed, it receives an option to attach the appropriate music file with program of the competitor. When the music file is attached to application the status goes to "active" and the competitor is included in the official competitors list of the selected competition.

Mandatory music file format is ".mp3".

The representatives of clubs or National Figure Skating Federations have a possibility to replace the music files of their competitors, three days before the start of the competition.

Advanced novice, Juniors and Seniors must attach two music files to receive an "active" status of competitor's application (Short program and Free Skating).

Competitors must have a copy of their music mp3 files on USB stick or any external USB drive.

11. LIABILITY:

According to ISU regulations, the Event Organizer accepts no liability for bodily harm, personal injury and loss of property or damages incurred by any competitor(s) or official(s).

12. ACCREDITATION:

The accreditation will start on **Thursday, February 02, 2023, at 15:00h** at the office of the Organizing Committee in Winter Sports Palace.

Operating hours in competition days will be from **8:00h to 20:00h**.

13. DRAW:

The draw for order of skating will be held on Thursday, February 02, 2023, at 19:00h in the presence of the Referee and Technical Controller in accordance with Rules 512 and 513.

The exact place and time will be published on the official detailed schedule.
Starting order for the free skating of categories Juniors and Seniors will be in reverse order of the results in the short program.

14.ADDITIONAL PRACTICE:

Rates for additional practice hours are as follow:

50-min private practice – 130 €.

50-min open practice together with another teams – 25 € per skater.

15.INFORMATION:

For additional information, please contact the Organizing Committee:

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16.ACCOMMODATION:

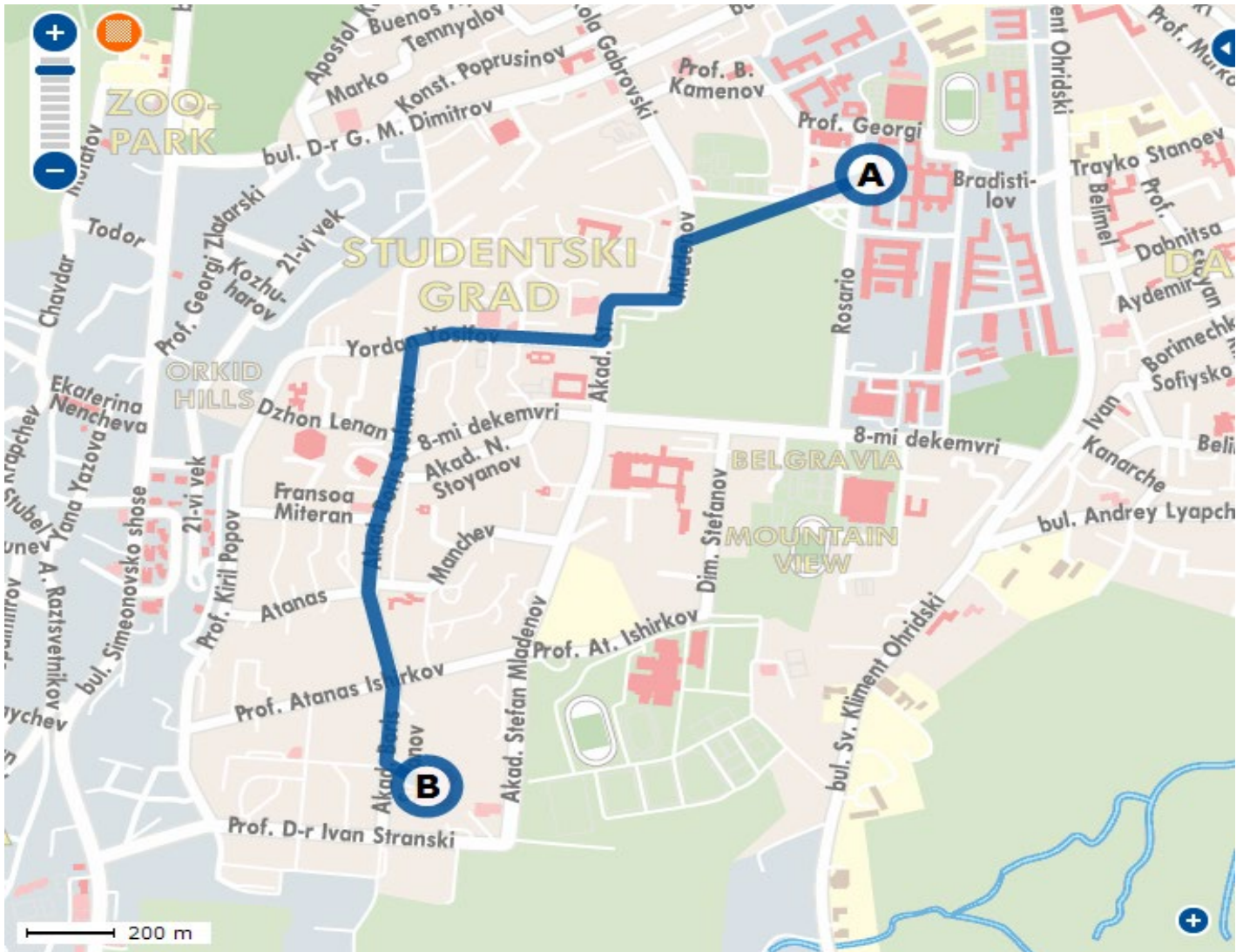
Official hotels of the event:

For teams:

VITOSHA Park Hotel****, 1 Rosario Street, Sofia, Bulgaria.

Special Event prices: Single room – 58 €, Double room – 70 €

The rates are per night including breakfast, internet, swimming pool and fitness.



Point A - **VITOSHA Park Hotel**

Point B - **Winter Sports Palace**

Distance time by bus – around 10 minutes, Bus line No 94, 5th bus stop from the hotel.

Distance time by walk – around 20 minutes.

The room reservations for all team members must be done through the Organizing Committee to be provided the special room rates

17.TRANSPORTATION:

Organizing Committee will provide transportation from/to Sofia Airport and Sofia Central Railway station to official hotels.

The transportation fee is 25 € per person/one way.

Competition Provisional Schedule

Thursday – 02.02.2023

Arrivals of the teams

Official practices

Draw – Juniors, Seniors

Friday – 03.02.2023

Official practices

Judges meeting and draw

Competitions:

Junior Women – Short Program

Junior Men – Short Program

Senior Women – Short Program

Senior Men – Short Program

Saturday – 04.02.2023

Official practices

Competitions:

Junior Women – Free skating

Junior Men – Free skating

Senior Women – Free skating

Senior Men – Free skating

Prize giving ceremony – Juniors, Seniors

Round Table Discussion – Juniors, Seniors

**THE OFFICIAL DETAILED AND FINAL SCHEDULE OF THE EVENT WILL BE PUBLISHED
AFTER THE REGISTRATION OF ALL ENTRIES**

***Respectfully Yours and Best Skating Regards,
Organizing Committee of the Sofia Trophy,
Sofia, Bulgaria***