ANNOUNCEMENT

MINSK - REPUBLIC OF BELARUS
Minsk Arena

15-16 February, 2020
On behalf of the Skating Union of Belarus, and the Organizing Committee, we have the honor and pleasure to invite you to the final Competition of the

**ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating 2019/20**

which will be held at the Minsk-Arena  
in Minsk, Republic of Belarus  
on Saturday 15 and Sunday 16 February 2020

The competition will be held under the 2018 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2279.

**PROGRAM**

**Friday, February 14, 2020**  
16:00 Team leaders’ Meeting, Minsk-Arena, Conference hall  
17:00 Medical Meeting  
18:00 Opening draw, Minsk-Arena, Conference hall

**Saturday, February 15, 2020**  
11:00 Ladies 1000 m  
Men: 1000 m  
Ladies 3000 m  
Men: 3000 m  
Ladies Team Pursuit  
Men Team Pursuit

**Sunday, February 16, 2020**  
11:00 Ladies 500 m  
Men 500 m  
Ladies 1500 m  
Men 1500 m  
Ladies Mass Start  
Men Mass Start

Quartet starts will be used in the 3000m (it may also be used for 1000 and 1500m) according to ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 5.1).

**TRACK**

A standard speed skating track of 400 meters to the lap laid out at Minsk-Arena, an artificially frozen indoor skating rink in Minsk. The radii of the inner and outer competition lanes are 26 and 30 meters, respectively. The width of the inside training lane is 7 meters.

**ENTRIES**

Entries for this competition will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 4. As per ISU Rule 108 participation is open to Junior A and Junior B Skaters, born between July 1, 2000 and June 30, 2004, and to Junior C Skaters born between July 1, 2004 – June 30, 2005, based on achievement of applicable qualifying times (see ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 2.d) and 4.3). Participation in the Neo-seniors division is open to Skaters born between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 2000.
Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events on [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org), section Speed Skating or [http://isu.events/login.php](http://isu.events/login.php).

Preliminary entries, giving the estimated number of Competitors and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and Team leader must be communicated at the latest by Tuesday, January 14, 2020.

Final entries including the names of the Competitors and available substitutes, as well as the names of the Team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is required must reach the Organizing Committee at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on Monday, February 10, 2020.

Please note that for all persons entered by the ISU Members, the procedures regarding the Declaration for Competitors and Officials (all team officials requiring an accreditation) entering ISU Events (Rule 131) as outlined in ISU Communication No. 1628, need to be strictly observed.

For more details, please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the ISU Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another ISU Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

ENTRY QUOTAS
An ISU Member may enter a maximum of 8 Competitors per category (8 Ladies and 8 Men).

Subject to the qualifying times criteria listed below, maximum 3 Competitors may be entered for each individual event, except for the Mass Start event where an ISU Member may enter a maximum of 2 Competitors. For each Division, an ISU Member may enter one team for each of the Team Pursuit events. Only Skaters having scored ISU Junior World Cup points in the Juniors Division during the season 2019/20 and Junior Skaters entered (in preliminary or final entry form) for the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2020, may be entered for the Juniors Division in the ISU Junior World Cup Final 2019/20, as well as Neo-senior Skaters with or without JWCup points.

QUALIFYING TIMES
Entered Skaters (including substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times for the respective distances, as listed in ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 4.3.

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For Mass Start and Team competitions: any of the above Qualifying times apply.

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For a result to be a valid qualifying time, it must have been achieved in the period between July 1, 2018 and the entry deadline indicated in the paragraph "Entries" above.
MASS START RACES
Mass start races will be organized in accordance with Rule 253, paragraph 4.b), Rule 265, paragraph 6 and ISU Communication No. 2195 (or any further update).

TEAM PURSUIT RACES
Team Pursuit races will be skated according to Rule 261, paragraph 1, 265, paragraph 5 and ISU Communication No. 2195 (or any further update), with national teams of 3 Skaters each, and with distances of 6 laps for Ladies and 8 laps for Men.

GROUPING AND DRAWING PROCEDURES
The grouping and drawing of pairs will be according to ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 6.

POINTS
For each distance Junior World Cup points will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 7.2.

PRIZES
Prizes will be presented to the three (3) best Skaters in each event (distance) in each Division. Junior World Cup points gained will count towards the final ISU Junior World Cup ranking 2019/20.
For each division a special trophy for the winner and diplomas for the 2nd and 3rd place in each distance/team competitions will be presented by the ISU, based on the final ISU Junior World Cup ranking for the season 2019/20.

ANTI-DOPING
Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications No. 2213 & 2243 or any further update of these Communications).

TRAINING TIMES
The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday, February 10, 2020. Trial starts will be organized on Friday, February 14, 2020 at 10:00.
Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

LIABILITY
In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, the Skating Union of Belarus and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with the ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating. Each Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

BOARD AND LODGING
In accordance with ISU Communication No. 2279, paragraph 10 f), the Organizing Committee will cover room and meal expenses at the official Hotels for up to two (2) Skaters or, alternatively, for one (1) Skater and one (1) Team leader from each participating ISU Member (based on one double room or two single rooms), beginning with dinner on the evening of Friday, February 14, 2020 and ending with breakfast on the morning of Monday, February 17, 2020.
HOTEL RESERVATION / OFFICIAL HOTELS
The Organizing Committee will make hotel reservation for the Competitors in the following hotels:

Hotel “Victoria Olimp” ****
Minsk, Pobeditelej ave, 103; tel. +375 17 308 75 55;
www.olimphotel.by
reservation@olimphotel.by

Hotel “Victoria & Spa” ***
Minsk, Pobediteley ave., 59A; tel. +375 17 309 52 00
http://victoria2.hotel-victoria.by/en/
reservation@hotel-victoria.by

Prices for rooms not covered by the Organizing Committee will be as follows:
Single Room occupancy: € 80 per person per night, including taxes.
Double Room occupancy: € 105 per two persons per night, including taxes.

Hotel “Slavyanskaya” ***
Minsk, Narochanskaya str., 6; tel. +375 17 359 15 00, +375 17 359 15 09;
www.slavyanskaya-minsk.by
booking@slavyanskaya-minsk.by
info@slavyanskaya-minsk.by

Prices for rooms not covered by the Organizing Committee will be as follows:
Single Room occupancy: € 60 per person per night, including taxes.
Double Room occupancy: € 80 per two persons per night, including taxes.
*Limited number of rooms

Cancellation policy:
Two weeks before arrival: 20%
One week before arrival: 50%
Two days before arrival or No-show: 100%

Payment: Cash in BYN (Belarus rubles) or by credit card (Visa, MasterCard).

Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotels.

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MEALS
*Prices for rooms are including breakfast only.
Lunch and dinner will be available daily at the official hotels (on request).
Price for lunch and dinner (including drinks):
Hotel “Victoria Olimp”, Hotel “Victoria&Spa” – 40 €
Hotel “Slavyanskaya” – 20 €

Meals could also be organized at the venue «Minsk arena» upon request. The meal vouchers can be purchased at the accreditation centre.
Payment: Cash in BYN (Belarus rubles) or by credit card (Visa, MasterCard).

TRANSPORTATION
Minsk National Airport (http://airport.by/en), connects with direct flights to a large number of European Capital cities.

Transportation service will be provided to all arriving and departing teams from Monday, February 10, 2020 until Tuesday, February 18, 2020 between National Airport Minsk or Minsk Central Railway Station and the official hotels.

Price for transportation from and to the airport: 30 € – per person (both ways)
Price for transportation to and from the central railway station: 15 € – per person (both ways).
Payment: Cash in BYN (Belarus rubles) or by credit card (Visa, MasterCard).
The Organizing Committee would like to be informed about the time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, February 3, 2020.

The Organizing Committee will provide Transportation between the official hotel(s) and the ice rink from Monday, February 10, 2020 until the Competition is finished.

ACCREDITATIONS
The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. Additional fee of 50 € for each extra accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

VISA-FREE ENTRY
From July 27, 2018 the Republic of Belarus has a visa-free procedure for entry and temporary stay in the country for a period of not more than 30 days (for citizens of 74 states).
IMPORTANT! Arrival and departure from the country should be made ONLY through the State border checkpoint of the Republic of Belarus “Minsk National Airport”.
The visa-free entry rules do not extend to any other international border checkpoints or airports of the country. The given order of visa-free movement through the airport does not extend to persons coming to Belarus by plane from the Russian Federation.

VISA REQUIREMENTS
A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. If you need an invitation letter for the visa, please submit the following information:
Family and Given name, date of birth, function, Arrival and Departure date of all team members.

Please submit all this information to the Organizing Committee (juniorwcminsk2020@gmail.com) as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas completed in due time.
CLOSING DINNER
Date: Sunday, February 16, 2020
Venue: Restaurant “Dryzya”
Start: 21:00  End: 01:00      Entry fee: 10 €  (food included)
During the event, a shuttle bus will be arranged between restaurant “Dryzya” and the official hotels.
* Alcoholic beverages will not be offered to athletes.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE – ENTRIES AND INQUIRIES
All inquiries should be addressed to the Organizing Committee or the Skating Union of Belarus at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, accommodation, transportation and meals, please contact the below persons as soon as possible.

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WEBSITE
Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following websites:
Skating Union of Belarus: http://skating.by/
ISU: https://live.isuresults.eu/events/2020_BLR_0002/schedule

ISU “INSIDE EVENTS” MOBILE APPLICATION
Daily information, results and changes in schedules (race, training, transportation, etc.) will be communicated to the teams on the board of the Team Hotel as well as on the ISU “Inside Events” mobile application.
This mobile application makes the information delivery faster, contains all relevant information for participants, reduce paper needs and notify participants in case of any changes or urgencies through push notification possibilities.
The “Inside Events” app is available free of charge on Android and Apple systems and is compatible with both tablets and smartphones. It can be downloaded with the below QR codes or directly on the app stores.
Each ISU Event will have its own unique password that will be provided on site to participating Athletes, Officials, and Team Delegations.

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