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ISU Pair Skating Development Training Seminar for Coaches and Pair Skaters &
ISU Recognized Judges Seminar in Pair Skating

A. ISU Pair Skating Development Training Seminar for Coaches and Pair Skaters

The ISU announces that the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, through an initiative supported by the ISU Development Program, is organizing International Pair Skating Development Training Seminars for Coaches and Pair Skaters in:

- Berlin, Germany: April 9 - 18, 2020
- Novogorsk, Moscow region, Russia: May 7 - 16, 2020

B. GENERAL – Berlin, Germany & Novogorsk, Russia - Development Training Pair Seminars

The aim of the Seminars is to develop Pair Skating to a high level and to introduce Pair Skating in new areas where it is not yet traditionally pursued. Top, world-class Coaches will moderate the Seminars. A world-level ranked Pair team will be in attendance to assist. Daily off-ice classes will include ballet, lifts, relaxation/yoga, movement to music and the study of the Program Components. Coaches will receive expert assistance in putting together suitable Skaters for developing new teams. For a more personal learning effect, the experts will be available for one-to-one contact with participating Coaches.

**Berlin Pair Seminar:**
The 2020 Pair Seminar is designed for Novice and lower Junior-aged pairs with the following requirements:

A Pair is eligible for participation who for:
- Novice Pairs: Has not reached the age of fifteen (15) for girls and seventeen (17) for boys in Pair Skating.
- Junior Pairs: Has not reached the age of nineteen (19) for Ladies and of twenty-one (21) for Men in Pair Skating.

Focus of this Seminar
- Develop new Novice and Junior Pair teams.
- Increase the skill sets of existing Novice and Junior Pair teams.
Novogorsk Pair Seminar:
The 2020 Pair Seminar is designed for Junior and developmental Senior Pairs who are making the transition from Junior to Senior Pair Skating.

A Pair is eligible for participation who:
- Junior Pairs: Has not reached the age of nineteen (19) for Ladies and of twenty-one (21) for Men in Pair Skating.
- Senior Pairs – 1-2 years of experience.

Focus of this Seminar
- Increase effective training techniques both on- and off-ice.
- Improve skating skills.
- Increase repertoire of effective Skating elements – jumps, lifts, spins.

Remarks: There may be instances where flexibility in age requirements for Men (not to exceed a one-year difference from the age requirements) may be accepted. These cases will be handled on an individual basis and only after the application deadline.

- The number of Pairs and Coaches entered from each ISU Member is not limited but a general guideline has been established of a maximum of two (2) Pairs per ISU Member per category (Novice and Junior). If there are too many Pairs entered, the ISU will reduce the number, using age as the criteria. Preference will be given to Pairs entered for the first time and to new Pair combinations.
- The Sport Director (Single & Pair Skating), will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Skaters and/or Coaches) who have potential for future development in Pair Skating.
- The Seminars are also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters.
- It is to be understood that Skaters without a partner cannot be accepted to attend the Seminars.
- The Seminars will be conducted in English.
- Participants need to bring their general sports clothing with them. Coaches also need to bring their skates with them.

All participants must have medical insurance and have their valid insurance card with them.

Expenses
The responsibility for expenses for these Seminars is as follows:

- The living expenses (room and meals) for the accepted Skaters and two (2) Coaches per ISU Member which has participants in the Seminar, will be borne by the ISU.
- ISU Members will be responsible for all travel expenses for Coaches and Skaters, and for the living expenses for Coaches who attend but who are in addition to the quota or have no Skaters participating in the Seminar.
- All the facilities, including the hotel, must be booked and paid for by the accepted participants well in advance. Regretfully, no cancellation can be accepted after the deadline.
- ISU Members which cancel participation after the dates specified below will have to pay a ‘no show fee’, which is 80% of the hotel rate of the concerned person(s).
Applications - Pair Skating Seminars
  Berlin, Germany
  Application Deadline: Monday January 20, 2020

  Novogorsk, Russia
  Application Deadline: Monday February 10, 2020

Applications for each Seminar together with the required attachments (for Skaters and Coaches) should be forwarded to the ISU Secretariat (e-mail: development@isu.ch) with copies to Mr. Charlie Z. Cyr, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, Mr. Fabio Bianchetti, Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee and Ms. Marie Lundmark, Council Member.

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As soon as possible after the deadline for applications, ISU Members will be notified by the Sport Director Figure Skating of the acceptance of their application, and of hotel and other details.

C. Specific Seminar Details: Development Training and Coaching Seminar

Berlin, Germany – Developmental Training Pair Seminar

Expenses

The responsibility for expenses for the Seminar is as follows:

- The living expenses (room and meals) for the accepted Skaters and two (2) Coaches per ISU Member which has participants in the Seminar will be borne by the ISU for the period from dinner on Thursday, April 9, 2020 to lunch on Sunday, April 19, 2020.

- ISU Members will be responsible for all travel expenses for Coaches and Skaters, and for the living expenses for Coaches who attend but who are in addition to the quota or have no Skaters participating in the Seminar.

- Participants should arrange to arrive on Thursday, April 9, 2020 and depart on the late afternoon of Saturday, April 18 or the morning of Sunday, April 19, 2020. The Organizing Committee will meet the teams upon arrival at Berlin-Tegel or Berlin-Schoenefeld airport provided that the arrival details are announced in time.

- ISU Members which cancel participation after March 13, 2020 will have to pay a ‘no show fee’, which is 80% of the hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

- In order to ensure a high-quality Seminar and to be fair to others wishing to participate, capacity will be limited to 20 Pairs, but a waiting list will be created for those Pairs who cannot be accepted in the first instance.

Berlin, Germany, Pair Skating Seminar Moderators:
The Moderators of the Seminar are: Mr. Charlie Z. Cyr (ISU) Coordinator; Mr. Bruno Marcotte (CAN) Pair Skating element Coach; Ms. Dorota and Mr. Mariusz Siudek (POL) off-ice lifts and Pair Skating element Coaches; Mr. Peter Grütter (SUI) Single Skating element Coach; Mr. Igor Tchiniaev (RUS/CAN) stroking, presentation and training routine Coach; Mr. Alexander Koenig (GER) all round Coach; and, Mr. Vladislav Zhovnirskiy (RUS) Coach with demonstrators. Additional off-ice ballet classes, and strength and conditioning will also be scheduled.
Novogorsk, Russia – Developmental Training Pair Seminar

Expenses

The responsibility for expenses for the Seminar is as follows:

- The living expenses (room and meals) for the accepted Skaters and two (2) Coaches per ISU Member which has participants in the Seminar, will be borne by the ISU for the period from dinner on Thursday, May 7, 2020 to lunch on Sunday, May 17, 2020. ISU Members will be responsible for all travel expenses for Coaches and Skaters and for the living expenses for Coaches who attend but who are in addition to the quota or have no Skaters participating in the Seminar.

- Participants should arrange to arrive on the evening of Thursday, May 7, 2020 and depart on the afternoon of Saturday, May 16, 2020 or the morning of Sunday, May 17, 2020. The Organizing Committee will meet the teams upon arrival at Sheremetyevo International Airport, Moscow, or Domodedovo, Moscow, provided that the arrival details are announced in time.

- ISU Members which cancel participation after April 3, 2020 will have to pay a ‘no show fee’, which is 80% of the hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

- In order to ensure a high-quality Seminar and to be fair to others wishing to participate, capacity will be limited to 16 Pairs, but a waiting list will be created for those Pairs who cannot be accepted in the first instance.

Novogorsk, Russia, Pair Seminar Moderators:
The Moderators of the Seminar are: Mr. Charlie Z. Cyr (ISU) Coordinator; Ms. Nina Moser (RUS) Head Coach; Mr. Vladislav Zhovnirskiy (RUS) Pair Skating Coach; Mr. Fedor Klimov (RUS) Pair Skating Coach; and, Mr. Igor Tchiniaev (RUS/CAN) Stroking Coach. Moderators for jumps, strength and conditioning and ballet plus a physiotherapist and additional support staff will complete the team.

D. ISU - Judges Seminars in Pair Skating

At the same time as the Pair Skating Seminars, ISU Judges Sponsored Seminars for Judges interested in Pair Skating will be conducted in:

- Berlin, Germany: April 16 - 19, 2020
- Novogorsk, Russia: May 14 - 17, 2020

General

These Seminars are primarily for Judges and Referees of at least ‘International’ level. However, subject to availability of places and upon application to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Single & Pair Skating Technical Committee, national Judges may also attend.

Expenses

The responsibility for expenses for these ISU Judges Seminars is as follows:

- The administrative expenses (use of ice surface, classroom and all other supporting equipment/facilities) will be borne by the ISU.
- The travel and living expenses of the designated Seminar Moderators will be borne by the ISU.
- The living expenses (room and meals) for the participating Referees and Judges with an ‘ISU’ or ‘International’ qualification will be borne by the ISU.
- For Judges/Referees with national qualifications, the living expenses (room and meals) must be borne by the respective ISU Member, or by the Referees/Judges themselves.
- The travel expenses of the participating Referees and Judges, regardless of their qualification, will be borne by the respective ISU Member.
E. Specific Seminar Details – Judges Seminar in Pair Skating

i) Berlin, Germany – Judges Seminar in Pair Skating

- Applications must be forwarded to the ISU Secretariat, Ms. Céline de Joffrey (e-mail: dejoffrey@isu.ch) and must be received at least six (6) weeks prior to the start of the Seminar (March 5, 2020). The Seminar will be conducted in English.

- Judges should arrange to arrive in Berlin on Thursday, April 16, 2020 by 17:00 at the latest. The Seminar will conclude on Sunday, April 19, 2020 at 14:00.

ii) Novogorsk, Russia – Judges Seminar in Pair Skating

- Applications must be forwarded to the ISU Secretariat, Ms. Céline de Joffrey (e-mail: dejoffrey@isu.ch) and must be received at least six (6) weeks prior to the start of the Seminar (April 2, 2020). The Seminar will be conducted in English.

- Judges should arrange to arrive in Novogorsk on Thursday, May 14 by 17:00 at the latest. The Seminar will conclude on Sunday, May 17 at 14:00.

F. Visa Requirements – Novogorsk, Russia

Participants who require an invitation for Visa purposes, should contact:

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