

**INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION – FOUR YEAR PLAN 2018/19 – 2021-/22**

*Project/Function/Area of activity:*

**Officials education and assessment**

*Decision Package prepared by:*

**Short Track Speed Skating Technical Committee (STSSTC)**

*Statement of specific results & benefits to be obtained:*

1. Continued education of Short Track Speed Skating Officials (Referees, Starters, and Competitors Stewards) keeping them informed of Rules changes, procedures and technical development of the sport and ensuring consistency of interpretation.
2. Maintenance of clear criteria and conditions for the nomination and re-nominations of ISU Officials
3. Continue the development of the RRS and an Officials' Database for proper education and evaluation of Officials' performances at ISU Events.
4. Continue to develop the apprentice program for International and ISU Officials
5. Creation and development of a specialty for video referees
6. Research the technology available to detect false starts
7. Continue to support Regional seminars to help the development and advancement of future ISU Officials.

**Recommended activities to obtain benefits:**

2018/19    2019/20    2020/21    2021/22

1. - Continue to host ISU seminars on a regular basis, but also develop Webinars for a more global access to the educational content provided.	X	X	X	X
- Develop the technology to enable more Referees to also "work" unofficially using the web broadcast to get more experience while at home	X	X	X	X
- For Referees, continue to develop the technology to share, after events, the main videos with the guidance and precedents for the group working the next events throughout the season	X	X	X	X
- Create a webinar on interpretation of key racing rules for Officials, Team Leaders, Coaches and Skaters	X	X	X	X
2. - Continue to develop a video replay test for Referees and use it as part of their performance evaluation	X	X	X	X
- Work on an update of ISU Communication No.1898 to include amongst other things, the new tools (RRS, ODB) used by the Officials,	X			
- Continued review by STSSTC of international Officials activities	X	X	X	X
3. - Continue to work on understanding the DATA provided by the Race Report System and how to use it to its full potential for the education of Officials	X	X	X	X
- Use more the ODB for clip sharing and ongoing instructions and education of Officials	X	X	X	X
4. Continue to use our ISU Events to welcome targeted apprentice Officials for their education and give them relevant experience before they are named to the ISU list. Also using that same principle, to give experience to ISU Officials before assigning them to a new function for the first time (ex: Video or Referee) to place all of them in the best environment for success.	X	X	X	X
5. Identify Referees that have an interest for the specialty and then train and test them to find the most suited for the specialty. Have a smaller group of video referees in order to help with consistency.	X	X		
6. Investigate existing technology to see if one could be used to detect false start in our sport	X	X		

7. - Using every occasion (seminars, workshops, events) to include more local Officials and continue to support regional seminars mentored by our ISU Officials or other ISU moderators.	X	X	X	X
- Develop Web based content that could be used by Officials delivering regional or national seminars.	X	X	X	X

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