

## Communication No. 2548

#### **Decisions of the Council**

The ISU Council met on March 19-20, 2023 in Tokyo, Japan. The following were among the decisions taken by the Council during the meeting.

#### 1. Provisional Allotment of ISU Championships season 2023/24 (Figure Skating Branch)

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations, the Council has provisionally allotted the following 2024 Championships:

#### **Synchronized Skating**

ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2024 to be held on March 15-16, 2024 in Neuchâtel, Switzerland

#### 2. Provisional Allotment of Championships Speed Skating Branch seasons 2023/24 to 2026/27

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations, the Council has provisionally allotted the Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating Championships and World Cups for the 2023/24 to 2026/27 seasons. The allotments will be announced as soon as possible in a separate ISU Communication.

#### 3. ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series Season 2023/24

The Council confirmed the following ISU Grand Prix events and Final for the season 2023/24:

Skate America: October 20-22, 2023 – TBA (USA)

Skate Canada International: October 27-29, 2023 - Vancouver (CAN)

Grand Prix de France: November 3-5, 2023 – Angers (FRA) Cup of China: November 10-12, 2023 – Chongqing (CHN) Grand Prix Espoo: November 17-19, 2023 – Espoo (FIN) NHK Trophy: November 24-26, 2023 – Osaka (JPN)

ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final (Junior & Senior): December 7-10, 2023 - Beijing (CHN)

#### 4. Challenger Series Figure Skating events season 2023/24

The Council approved the Challenger Series Figure Skating Calendar for the season 2023/24 as follows:

September 8-10, 2023 Bergamo, ITA (including Pair Skating)

September 14-16, 2023 Pierrefonds, Quebec, CAN (including Pair Skating)

September 20-23, 2023 Oberstdorf, GER (including Pair Skating)

September 28-30, 2023 Bratislava, SVK

October 4-8, 2023 Espoo, FIN (including Pair Skating)

October 13-15, 2023

November 2-5, 2023

November 7-12, 2023

November 15-19, 2023

Budapest, HUN

Almaty, KAZ

Graz, AUT

Warsaw, POL

December 6-9, 2023 Sisak, CRO (including Pair Skating)

#### 5. ISU Junior World Cup Short Track

The Council approved the establishment, as from the season 2023/24, of an ISU Junior World Cup Short Track Series, funded through the ISU Development Program and replacing the current Short Track Junior Challenge Series. An ISU Communication will be published in due course with further details.

# 6. Figure Skating World Standings and World Ranking Communication update to include Junior International Competitions

Further to a proposal by Austria Figure in 2018 to create a World Ranking for Juniors and the subsequent resolution and follow-up during the 2022 Congress in Phuket, the Council approved an update of ISU Communication 1629 which will now include a Junior World Standing (WS)/World Ranking (WR).

Therefore, two different World Standings/World Rankings will be published by the ISU:

- 1. One overall list (based on the current list but also taking into consideration Junior International Competitions).
- 2. One list with only Junior Skaters who have participated in International Junior Competitions, Junior Grand Prix events and Junior World Championships

The new Junior World Standing will be used for the starting order draws for the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships and will allow Skaters moving up from Junior to Seniors to have more points from their Junior career. A new Communication, with all details, will be published shortly.

### 7. Online ISU Member meetings June 2023

The Council confirmed the importance of informing and engaging with ISU Members, Office Holders and the Secretariat on new initiatives that have been launched. In June 2023, an online meeting will take place with updates on several topics. An invitation with specific information will be sent out in due course.

#### 8. Next Council meetings

The Council agreed to meet again as follows:

- on June 9-11, 2023 in Budapest, Hungary
- on October 6-8, 2023 in Lausanne, Switzerland

Seoul, March 27, 2023 Lausanne, Jae Youl Kim, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General