

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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10th ISU Ice Dance Development Training Seminar in Oberstdorf/Germany for Novice and Junior Ice Dance Couples and their Coaches

The ISU announces that the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee in cooperation with the ISU Sport Director Figure Skating and with the support of the ISU Development Program (Council Projects) is organizing International Ice Dance Development Training Seminars for Ice Dance Couples (Junior and Novice age category) and their Coaches as outlined below.

The aim of the Seminars is the development of Ice Dance Coaches and their Couples to a higher technical level. Top, world-class Coaches will moderate the Seminar. Daily off-ice classes will include ballet, ballroom dance, jazz/mime/expression, relaxation/yoga, movement to music, theatre and modern dance technique lectures. For a more personal learning effect, the experts will be available for a one-to-one contact with participating Coaches.

A. JUNIOR age category Seminar Oberstdorf, Germany, April 15 - 24, 2018

The 2018 Ice Dance Seminar is composed for Junior Ice Dance Couples with the following age requirements: An Ice Dance Couple is eligible for participation if the Skaters have reached the age of 13 but not the age of 19 for Ladies and have reached the age of 13 but not the age of 21 for Men by July 1th preceding the Seminar. This corresponds to the ISU Junior age restrictions.

Participants should arrange to arrive in the afternoon of April 14th in time for the opening of the Seminar at 19.00 and depart in the morning of April 25th, 2018.

B. NOVICE age category Seminar Oberstdorf, Germany - April 26 - May 5, 2018.

The 2018 Ice Dance Seminar is composed for Novice Ice Dance Couples with the following age requirements: An Ice Dance Couple is eligible for participation if the Skaters have reached the age of 10 but not the age of 15 for Ladies and Men, by July 1th preceding the Seminar.

Participants should arrange to arrive in the afternoon of April 25th in time for the opening of the Seminar at 19.00 and depart in the morning of May 6th, 2018.

C. General

Entry & participation criteria and conditions

- a) In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar the ISU will limit the capacity to 30 Ice Dance Couples per Seminar.
- b) A "waiting list" will be created for those Ice Dance Couples who cannot be accepted in the first run in order to offer the chance of acceptance and participation, should cancellations occur. ISU Members are requested to be considerate with the timing of cancellations in order to give other athlete the chance to participate.
- c) Each ISU Member may enter Ice Dance Couples with no limitation plus a not limited number of Coaches to the Seminar. In case of too many Ice Dance Couples entered, the ISU will reduce the number using primarily the age criteria starting from the highest age. In addition, the entries per region may be considered.
- d) In addition, the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee together with the ISU Sports Director will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Skaters and/or Coaches) for which it sees a possibility of future development.

- e) Only legitimate Ice Dance Couples and Coaches are to be entered.
- f) As this ISU Development Training Seminar is organized to provide help and offer a quality learning experience to Ice Dance Coaches and their Couples, sending a “non-skating” person as a Coach is not appropriate.
- g) Coaches who have not participated previously in the Seminar will have priority of acceptance.**
- h) The Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters at their own cost.**
- i) Participating Ice Dance Couples are expected to arrive physically fit and prepared.
- j) To maintain the high level and quality of the Seminars we expect, that the skating knowledge/skills of the entered Ice Dance Couples is up to the Seminar requirements with is at least 1 year of skating in a couple with some competition experience. (The Novice part is not a “learn to skate” program)
- k) Participating Ice Dance Couples are required to know the correct steps and timing of the Pattern Dance(s) of the respective season.
- l) Accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) will have to participate from the beginning to the end of the Seminar unless receiving the permission prior to acceptance to do otherwise.**
- m) **Ice Dance Couples must participate together with their announced Coaches.** Should an announced Coach unexpectedly be unable to attend, subject to receiving permission from the ISU Sport Director Figure Skating, the participating Skaters must be accompanied by a responsible chaperone for the whole duration of the Seminar.
- n) All participants must have Medical Insurance and have their valid Insurance Card with them to attend the Seminar.

Expenses

The financial responsibility for the Seminars is as follows:

- a) **There will be a symbolic Participation Fee of EUR. 100 per accepted Ice Dance Couple.** This symbolic Participation Fee of EURO 100 per accepted and participating Ice Dance Couple is to be paid in cash to the local coordinator, Mrs. M.T. Kreiselmeyer, upon arrival and registration in Oberstdorf.
- b) The living expenses for the **Junior Seminar** (room and meals) for the accepted Ice Dance Couples and 2 Coaches per ISU Member with a participating Junior Ice Dance couple will be borne by the ISU for the period **from dinner on Saturday, April 14th, to breakfast on Wednesday, April 25th, 2018.**
- c) The living expenses for the **Novice Seminar** (room and meals) for the accepted Ice Dance Couples and 2 Coaches per ISU Member with a participating Novice Ice Dance Couple will be borne by the ISU for the period **from dinner on Wednesday, April 25th, to breakfast on Sunday, May 6th, 2018.**
- d) ISU Members will be responsible for the travel expenses and arrangements to and from Oberstdorf for all participating Coaches and Skaters.
- e) ISU Members shall also be responsible for the living expenses for Coaches attending without a participating Couple, or being outside of the quota.
- f) **Cancellation policy:**
 All the facilities, including the Hotel have to be booked and paid by the ISU for the accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) a month in advance. Consequently, no cancellations after the following cancellation deadlines can be accepted:
 - for the Junior Seminar: March 9, 2018,
 - for the Novice Seminar: March 16, 2018.
 The ISU shall invoice to the concerned ISU Members the related cancellation fees/costs representing 80% of the Hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

The Professional Team for the Seminars

Organizer and Head Coach: Mrs. Krisztina Regöczy ISU Sport Director Figure Skating
The Coach/Moderators: Mrs. Carol Lane (CAN),
Dr. Rostislav Sinitsyn (CZE),
Mr. Maurizio Margaglio (ITA),
Mr. Olivier Schoenfelder (FRA) (Junior Seminar only)
Mr. Jon Lane (CAN) (Novice Seminar only)
Mr. Juris Razgulajevs (CAN),
The off-ice Instructors: Ballroom: Mr. Ronald and Ms. Petra Keipert (GER)
Ballet/Modern Dance: Ms. Nadezhda Hristova (BUL)
Theatre: Mrs. Dorota Nowak (POL)

The Seminars will be conducted in English.

Applications

Applications must be received from the ISU Member in order to be considered. ISU Members are requested to clearly indicate their priority of acceptance (Junior or Novice) when applying.

Applications for the Seminar together with the files Attachment (Skaters and Coaches) must be sent no later than **January 19, 2018** to Ms. Krisztina Regöczy, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, with copies to the ISU Secretariat, and to Mrs. Halina Gordon-Poltorak, Chair of the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee.

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ISU Members will be notified of the acceptance of their application, together with other details by Ms. Krisztina Regöczy, ISU Sports Director Figure Skating, as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.

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Lausanne,

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Fredi Schmid, Director General

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