

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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ICE DANCE

ISU International Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Coaches and their Couples from Asia, Oceania, the Pacific Region and South Africa

The ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee, in cooperation with the ISU Sports Director and with the support of the ISU Development Program (Council Projects), is organizing an International Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and Couples of beginner, Novice and Junior (but not lower than Novice Basic) skating level from Asia, Oceania, the Pacific region and South Africa in:

Seoul, Republic of Korea, August 12 – 18, 2018.

The aims of the Seminar are to introduce and develop the Ice Dance discipline in new areas where it is not yet traditionally pursued, to teach the basic principles of Ice Dance to inexperienced Ice Dance Coaches and Single Skating Coaches who are interested in becoming Ice Dance Coaches in the future and to continue with the development work started. This Seminar will also provide help in preparation for the season's competitions for already established Ice Dance Couples.

Coaches will find expert assistance in all topics concerning Ice Dance. For a more personal learning effect, the experts will be available for a one-to-one contact with participating Coaches. Daily off-ice classes will include lectures on basic Ice Dance technique. There will also be ballroom classes and guidance on how to partner and to manage Ice Dance Couples. On-ice sessions will concentrate on basic skating exercises, posture, dance holds, introduction to Pattern Dances and Required Elements.

The age of the Couples should be according to the current ISU age requirements for Novice and Junior Ice Dance Couples.

Participants should arrange to arrive on Saturday, August 11 in time for the opening of the Seminar at 18.00 hours and depart on the morning of August 19, 2018.

General

Entry and participation criteria and conditions

- a) In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar the **ISU will limit the capacity to 24 Ice Dance Couples, and 2 Coaches per ISU Member (20 in total).**
- 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 athletes the chance to participate.
- c) Each ISU Member may enter Ice Dance Couples with no limitation plus an unlimited number of Coaches to the Seminar. In the case that too many Ice Dance Couples are entered, the ISU will reduce the number primarily using the age criteria, starting from the highest age. In addition, the number of 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 whom they see 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) Participating Ice Dance Couples who have at least one year of skating in a couple with some competition experience are required to know the correct steps and timing of the Pattern Dance(s) and to come prepared with their programs of the respective season as this Seminar will also provide preparation help for their upcoming competitions.
- k) Accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) will have to participate from the beginning to the end of the Seminar unless receiving permission to do otherwise prior to acceptance.**
- l) **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.
- m) 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 Fee is to be paid in cash to the local coordinator, Mr. Bae Seong Hoon upon arrival and registration in Seoul.
- b) The living expenses for the Seminar (room and meals) for the accepted Ice Dance Couples and 2 Coaches per ISU Member with a participating Ice Dance couple will be borne by the ISU for the period **from dinner on Saturday, August 11, to breakfast on Sunday, August 19, 2018.**
- c) ISU Members will be responsible for the travel expenses and arrangements to and from Seoul for all participating Coaches and Skaters.
- d) ISU Members shall also be responsible for the living expenses for Coaches attending without a participating Couple, or who are outside of the quota.
- e) **Cancellation policy:** All the facilities, including the Hotel must be booked and paid for by the ISU for the accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) a month in advance. Regretfully we cannot accept any cancellations after the deadline. **The cancellation deadline is July 6, 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 Moderator Team for the Seminar:

On-Ice Moderators: Mr. Maurizio Margaglio ITA
Mrs. Ayako Higashino JPN
Mrs. Maria Tumanovskaya-Chaika UKR

Off-ice instructors: Local Team - names to be announced later

Language

The Seminars will be conducted in English. To save precious time during the on- and off-ice sessions the attending Coaches are required to understand/speak English or to bring with them a translator with “skating knowledge”.

Applications

Applications must be received from ISU Members in order to be considered.
ISU Members are requested to indicate clearly their priority of acceptance when applying.

Applications for the Seminar, together with the completed Appendices (Skaters and Coaches) must be sent no later than, **June 8, 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.

See contact details below:

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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.

Tubbergen,

December 4, 2017

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Jan Dijkema, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General