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## **Battle for ISU Grand Prix Final tickets continues at Rostelecom Cup in Moscow**

The battle for the tickets to the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final becomes more and more exciting as the series gets to Rostelecom Cup, the fifth and penultimate event, in Moscow (RUS) this week. ISU World Figure Skating Ice Dance silver medalists [Victoria Sinitsina/Nikita Katsalapov](#) (RUS) have just won their first ISU Grand Prix gold medal at Shiseido Cup of China last week and want to seal their spot. Skate Canada Champions [Alexandra Trusova](#) (RUS), [Piper Gilles/Paul Poirier](#) (CAN) and [Aleksandra Boikova/Dmitrii Kozlovskii](#) (RUS) as well have good chances to qualify for the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final in Torino (ITA).

### **Sinitsina/Katsalapov (RUS), Uno (JPN), Medvedeva (RUS) headline Rostelecom Cup**

Internationaux de France silver medalist [Alexander Samarin](#) (RUS), Skate Canada silver medalist [Nam Nguyen](#) (CAN) and Skate America bronze medalist [Dmitri Aliev](#) (RUS) have the best chances to grab a spot in the Final. Meanwhile, Olympic silver medalist [Shoma Uno](#) (JPN) looks for redemption after finishing a disappointing eighth in Grenoble. Other contenders include 2018 Rostelecom Cup silver medalist [Morisi Kvitelashvili](#) (GEO), 2018 ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Finalist [Michal Brezina](#) (CZE), [Kazuki Tomono](#) (JPN) and [Deniss Vasiljevs](#) (LAT).

ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating [Standings Men](#).

In the Ladies event, ISU World Junior Figure Skating Champion [Alexandra Trusova](#) (RUS) is aiming at Torino after striking gold at Skate Canada. Two-time World medalist [Satoko Miyahara](#) (JPN) comes with a silver medal from Shiseido Cup of China last week and has the eyes set on the podium and a ticket to the Final as well. Olympic silver medalist [Evgenia Medvedeva](#) (RUS) is looking to improve on her fifth place finish from Skate Canada. Internationaux de France bronze medalist [Mariah Bell](#) (USA) is in the running for a medal and the Final. Other competitors include [Stanislava Konstantinova](#) (RUS), [Nicole Schott](#) (GER) and [Alexia Paganini](#) (SUI).

ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating [Standings Ladies](#).

The Pairs event features Skate Canada Champions [Aleksandra Boikova/Dmitrii Kozlovskii](#) (RUS) and reigning ISU World Figure Skating silver medalists [Evgenia Tarasova/Vladimir Morozov](#) (RUS), who need to do better than in Canada, where they took a bronze medal. 2014 Olympic silver medalist Ksenia Stolbova returns with her new partner Andrei Novoselov to competition. While [Stolbova/Novoselov](#) (RUS) are currently entered for one event only and thus cannot qualify for the Final, they can take away points from others. Also competing are [Miriam Ziegler/Severin Kiefer](#) (AUT), [Minerva Fabienne Hase/Nolan Seegert](#) (GER) and [Evelyn Walsh/Trennt Michaud](#) (CAN).

ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating [Standings Pairs](#).

In the Ice Dance event, ISU World Figure Skating silver medalists [Victoria Sinitsina/Nikita Katsalapov](#) (RUS) come with a gold medal from Shiseido Cup of China last week and are eager to add another title to their resume. However, the Russian Champions have to expect stiff competition from Skate Canada Champions [Piper Gilles/Paul Poirier](#) (CAN). Both teams have excellent chances to qualify for Torino. 2018 Rostelecom Cup silver medalists [Sara Hurtado/Kirill Khaliavin](#) (ESP) are aiming at the podium as well. Other competitors include 2019 World Junior Figure

Skating Champions [Marjorie Lajoie/Zachary Lagha](#) (CAN), [Adelina Galyavieva/Louis Thauron](#) (FRA) and [Natalia Kaliszek/Maksym Spodyriev](#) (POL).

ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating [Standings Ice Dance](#).

### Schedule of the event

Friday, November 15	Men's Short Program, Rhythm Dance, Ladies & Pairs Short Programs
Saturday, November 16	Men's Free Skating, Free Dance, Ladies & Pairs Free Skating
Sunday, November 17	Exhibition Gala

Overall, 60 skaters/couples representing 19 ISU members compete at the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating - Rostelecom Cup on November 15-17. The top 6 qualifiers of the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating series in each discipline will proceed to the Final in Torino (ITA), December 5 to 8, 2019. Full [entry lists, results, the General Announcement](#) of the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series are available on [isu.org](#).

### Where to watch and follow the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2019?

Viewers will be able to watch the Series either via their national broadcaster / channel and for countries where there are no broadcasters, the ISU will offer a live stream on the [Skating ISU YouTube Channel](#) as of season 2019/20. You will find the full list in the [Where to watch news here](#).

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### ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2019/20

[Skate America - Las Vegas \(USA\) – October 18 – 20](#)

[Skate Canada International – Kelowna \(CAN\) – October 25 – 27](#)

[Internationaux de France – Grenoble \(FRA\) – Novembre 1 – 3](#)

[SHISEIDO cup of China – Chongqing \(CHN\) – November 8 – 10](#)

[Rostelecom Cup – Moscow \(RUS\) – November 15 – 17](#)

[NHK Trophy – Sapporo \(JPN\) – November 22 – 24](#)

[ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final \(Senior & Junior\) – Torino \(ITA\) – December 5 – 8](#)

[The ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Series](#) started in 1995 (previously known as the ISU Champions Series) and consists of six international senior invitational events and the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final. The skaters are seeded and invited to the six Grand Prix of Figure Skating events based on the results of the previous ISU World Figure Skating Championships. Competitors collect points in their ISU Grand Prix events towards the qualification for the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final. Only the top six Skaters / Couples in each discipline can qualify for the Final.