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Second ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating event moves from Edmonton (CAN) to Courchevel (FRA)

With the ongoing uncertainty surrounding international travel due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Skate Canada informed the International Skating Union it has cancelled the second ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating, the event was scheduled to take place from August 25-28, 2021, at Meadows Arena in Edmonton Canada.

For the past 18 months, Skate Canada has closely monitored the provincial and federal health authorities' position on the global health crisis and is committed to the health and safety of the athletes, coaches, officials, volunteers, and spectators. Like last season, due to the federal quarantine guidelines for all travellers and social distancing requirements in effect at this time, Skate Canada regrettably made the decision to cancel the event.

Following the decision of Skate Canada, the Figure Skating Event Coordination team and Figure Skating Working Group worked on a proposal based on input from each of the seven Junior Grand Prix hosts and whether they would be interested in hosting more than one Junior Grand Prix in case of need.

The Fédération Française des Sports de Glace (FFSG) confirmed their willingness and feasibility to host two Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events back-to-back in Courchevel and the ISU Council agreed to allot them the second Junior Grand Prix. Consequently the first two ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events of the series will take place in Courchevel (FRA) on August 18-21 and August 25-28, 2021.

Due to the lack of a practice rink in Courchevel, the Pair Skating event which was planned in Canada, will move to the sixth ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating event in Gdansk (POL) on September 29-October 2, 2021.

The ISU regrets that the hosting of the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating in Edmonton (CAN) is no longer viable, but is pleased that an alternative solution could be found to give Junior Skaters an opportunity to compete. The ISU thanks Skate Canada, the FFSG and Polish Figure Skating Association for their continued effort and support.

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