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## ISU 58th Ordinary Congress Phuket – 2022 Age limit to gradually increase to 17

The ISU Congress voted in favor of the ISU Council Proposal 22 to gradually increase the age limit for Senior Skaters from 15 to 17 years for the sake of protecting the physical and mental health, and emotional well-being of the Skaters. There will be no change for the season 2022/23. An increase to 16 years for the season 2023/24 and an increase to 17 years for the season 2024/25 and subsequent seasons will then be implemented.

The 58th Ordinary ISU Congress continued on June 7, 2022 with a report from the ISU Disciplinary Commission and with the full Congress session where over 250 Delegates voted on a number of Proposals regarding the ISU Constitution and General Regulations. These were discussed and voted on during the full Congress session and needed a two-thirds majority to be accepted.

Proposals 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 (with amendments) and <u>Urgent Matter</u> 1, were all accepted. Proposals 11, 13, 15, 19, 20 (with amendment), 21, 29 (with a clarification), 32-34, 37 and 40 were also accepted.

Proposal 7 was withdrawn by the Figure Skating Federation of Russia, Proposal 8 was withdrawn by Skate Canada in favor of <u>Urgent Matter</u> 1, Finland withdrew their Proposal 12 and Norway withdrew Proposal 23 in favor of the ISU Council Proposal 22 (age limit). Other Proposals which were withdrawn by the respective ISU Members were 24, 26 and 30.

Proposal 1 was voted via secret ballot and was rejected by the Congress. <u>Urgent Matter</u> 2 was also voted by secret ballot and although it was rejected, <u>ISU Communication 2469</u> remains valid until further notice. Proposals 14, 25, 27, 35, 39 did not obtain the required two-thirds majority and therefore were rejected.

Finally Proposals 16, 17, 18, 31, 36 and 38 have been deferred to the Figure Skating and Speed Skating Branch Sessions to be further debated, before being submitted to a vote during the next plenary session on June 10.

The 58<sup>th</sup> Ordinary ISU Congress continues on June 8, 2022 at 9:00 (ICT). For further information on the ISU Congress, please visit our <u>dedicated page</u> which includes a summary of the most important proposals, the agenda, information on where to watch the Congress, a list of candidates for the different positions including for ISU President and more.

#### **CANDIDATES**

The elections of ISU Office Holders, including the position of ISU President, will take place on June 10. <u>The list of nominees</u> are presented per position and in alphabetical order. However, the sequence in which the candidates for the different positions will be presented during the elections will be drawn in the presence of the ISU auditor.

#### WHERE TO WATCH

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