

## Communication No. 2385

### **ISU Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Junior Ice Dance Couples and their Coaches Oberstdorf/Germany**

**The Seminar remains subject to the ISU Council's confirmation in due time that the pandemic developments allow the safe staging of the Seminar and consequently the lifting of the ISU Council imposed restrictions as per ISU Communication 2362, point 6**

The ISU announces that the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee, with the support of the ISU Development Program (Council Projects), is organizing an International Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Ice Dance Couples (Junior age category) and their Coaches as outlined below.

The aim of the Seminar 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.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Seminar will be held on site, if possible, in line with the relevant travel and local restrictions. Contacts between Skaters, Coaches and Moderators will be limited as much as possible.

There will be virtual / online lessons for Couples and Coaches accepted to the seminar but who cannot participate in person or travel to Oberstdorf for COVID-19-related reasons. The dates of the virtual /online sessions will not be the same as the in-person Seminar and will be published in due course.

If it will be impossible to conduct the seminar on site due to the Covid-19 pandemic, only the virtual / online version of the seminar will be held.

#### **A. JUNIOR age category Seminar Oberstdorf, Germany, May 4 - 11, 2021**

The 2021 Ice Dance Seminar is designed 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 1 preceding the Seminar. This corresponds to the ISU Junior age restrictions.

**Participants should arrange to arrive in the afternoon of May 3, 2021 in time for the opening of the Seminar at 19.00 and depart on the morning of May 12, 2021.**

**It is recommended that participants who must quarantine on arrival in Germany do not apply to attend the Seminar in person. In any case, all costs for any required quarantine before the start of the seminar, or on return to the home country, will be covered by the participant. Unaccompanied quarantine of a minor will not be accepted.**

## B. General

### Entry & participation criteria and conditions

- a) In order to provide adequate quality, the Seminar capacity will be limited to 15 Ice Dance Couples attending in person. There is no limit to the number of Ice Dance Couples who may attend the virtual / online version of the Seminar.
- b) A 'waiting list' will be created for those Ice Dance Couples who cannot be accepted in the first instance in order to offer the opportunity for participation in person 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. In the case of too many entries for Ice Dance Couples to attend the Seminar in person, the ISU will reduce the number primarily using the age criteria, starting from the highest age. The number of entries per region may also be considered.
- d) In addition, the ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Skaters and/or Coaches) for which it sees a possibility for 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 virtual / online Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters at their own cost.**
- i) Ice Dance Couples who are participating in person are expected to arrive physically fit and prepared.
- j) To maintain the high level and quality of the Seminars it is expected that the skating knowledge/skills of the entered Ice Dance Couples is up to the Seminar requirements, with at least 1 year of skating in a Couple and some competition experience.
- k) **Participating Ice Dance Couples are required to know the correct steps and timing of the Pattern Dance(s) of the respective season.**
- l) **Coaches and Skaters who are accepted to participate in person must participate from the beginning to the end of the Seminar unless they receive permission to do otherwise prior to acceptance.**
- 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 Seminar organizer, the participating Skaters must be accompanied by a responsible chaperone for the whole duration of the Seminar.
- n) All participants who attend in person must have Medical Insurance and have their valid Insurance Card with them to attend the Seminar.
- o) During the Seminar some sessions will be online, even for those who attend in person.

### 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 who attend in person.** This symbolic Participation Fee of EUR 100 per accepted and participating Ice Dance Couple is to be paid in cash to the local coordinator, Ms. M.T. Kreiselmeyer, upon arrival and registration in Oberstdorf.

There will be a symbolic Participation Fee of EUR 100 per accepted Ice Dance Couple who attend **the virtual / online version of the Seminar**. This symbolic Participation Fee shall be paid by bank transfer prior to the start of the virtual / online Seminar (bank details will be provided on acceptance to the Seminar).

- 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 attending in person will be borne by the ISU for the period **from dinner on Monday, May 3, to breakfast on Wednesday, May 12, 2021**.
- c) ISU Members will be responsible for the travel expenses and arrangements to and from Oberstdorf for all participating Coaches and Skaters who attend in person.
- d) Skaters and coaches in Oberstdorf will be accommodated in single or double rooms. Teams will not be mixed. Each team will have separate accommodation.
- e) **Cancellation policy:**  
All the facilities, including the accommodation must be booked and paid by the ISU for the accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) in advance. Consequently, no cancellations can be accepted after the following cancellation deadline:  
- **April 19, 2021**  
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: Mr. Maurizio Margaglio, ISU IDTC Member - Seminars Coordinator  
The Coach/Moderators Ms. Carol Lane (CAN)  
On site or on line Dr. Rostislav Sinitsyn (CZE)  
Mr. Juris Razgulajevs (CAN)  
Ms. Elena Novak (USA)

The off-ice Instructors: Ballroom: Mr. Ronald and Ms. Petra Keipert (GER)  
On site or on line Ballet/Modern Dance: Ms. Nadezhda Ivanova Vitanova (BUL)  
Theatre: Ms. Dorota Nowak (POL)  
Music: Mr. Carlo Goldstein (ITA)  
Sport Psychology: Mr. Sam Wood (GBR)  
TBA

**The Seminars will be conducted in English.**

## Applications

**Applications must be received from the respective ISU Member in order to be considered.**

ISU Members are requested to indicate clearly their priority of acceptance for Junior couples when applying.

Applications for the Seminar together with the file Attachments (Skaters and Coaches) must be sent no later than **Wednesday, April 7, 2021** to Mr. Maurizio Margaglio, ISU IDTC Member - Seminars Coordinator, with copies to the ISU Secretariat, and to Ms. 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 Mr. Maurizio Margaglio, as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.

Tubbergen,  
March 23, 2021  
Lausanne,

**Jan Dijkema**, President  
**Fredi Schmid**, Director General