

# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

## Communication No. 1826

### Decisions of the ISU Council

The ISU Council met on October 11-13, 2013 in Paris, France. The following were among the decisions taken by the ISU Council during the meeting:

#### 1. New ISU provisory Members

The Council accepted the provisional ISU Membership for the following associations in Indonesia and the United Arab Emirates:

a) Indonesia

Persatuan Olahraga Sepatu Roda Seluruh Indonesia (PORSEROSI) for both the Figure Skating Branch and the Speed Skating Branch.

b) United Arab Emirates (UAE)

UAE Ice Sports Federation for the Figure Skating Branch

The contact details and relevant information related to those new ISU Members can be found on the ISU website under the “ISU Member” section.

#### 2. Suspension of ISU Membership

In line with Article 6 and Article 17, paragraph 1. g) of the ISU Constitution as well as taking into account the track record of international activity based on the criteria included in ISU Communication No. 1531, paragraph C, the Council evaluated the ISU Membership status of the ISU Members listed below. The Council concluded that the indicated Members in the indicated ISU Branches failed to maintain the minimum requirements for Membership. The Council consequently decided to suspend the ISU Membership with immediate effect for the following Federations:

a) The Skating Federation of Azerbaijan Republic

Suspension for the Speed Skating Branch only (The ISU Membership in the Figure Skating Branch remains valid)

- b) Brazilian Ice Sports Federation  
Suspension for the Speed Skating Branch only (The ISU Membership in the Figure Skating Branch remains valid)
- c) Georgian Figure Skating Federation  
Suspension for the Speed Skating Branch only (The ISU Membership in the Figure Skating Branch remains valid)
- d) Union Luxembourgeoise de Patinage de Vitesse  
Suspension for the Speed Skating Branch (The Union Luxembourgeoise de Patinage remains a full ISU Member for the Figure Skating Branch)
- e) Federacion Mexicana de Patinaje Sobre Hielo y Deportes de Invierno, A.C.  
Suspension for the Speed Skating Branch only (The ISU Membership in the Figure Skating Branch remains valid)
- f) Skating Association of Montenegro  
Suspension for the Figure Skating Branch and the Speed Skating Branch.

The Council may re-evaluate the situation for a possible reinstatement in case the concerned Federations will be able to provide evidence of renewed international activity in the concerned Skating Branch.

### **3. New dates of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Winter Youth Olympic Games 2016 in Norway, the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2016 Changchun & the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships 2016 Taipei City**

- a) The Council acknowledged the decision taken by the International Olympic Committee and the Organizing Committee for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Winter Youth Olympic Games 2016 in Lillehammer to advance the dates of the **Winter Youth Olympic Games** in Lillehammer to **February 12 to 21, 2016** (instead of February 26-March 6, 2016).
- b) In consideration of the change of dates of the Winter Youth Olympic Games 2016, the Council in consultation with the Chinese Skating Association agreed that the **ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships 2016 in Changchun, China**, will take place on **March 11-13, 2016** (instead of February 19-21, 2016 as previously announced).
- c) The Council accepted a request from the Chinese Taipei Skating Union to change the date of the **ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships 2016**, due to the lunar New Year Holidays, to be held on **February 23-28, 2016** (instead of February 9-14, 2016).

### **4. Provisional Allotment ISU Championships 2016**

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations the ISU Council has provisionally allotted the following 2016 Championships:

#### **Speed Skating**

ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships, March 5-6, 2016 in Berlin, Germany, hosted by the Deutsche Eisschnellauf Gemeinschaft (DESG).

### **Short Track Speed Skating**

ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships, January 22-24, 2016 in Moscow, Russia, hosted by the Russian Skating Union.

ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships, March 11-13, 2016 in Seoul, Republic of Korea, hosted by the Korea Skating Union.

### **5. ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating – Calendar Season 2014/15**

The ISU Council approved the following ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating calendar for the season 2014/15:

Courchevel, France	August 20-24, 2014
Ljubljana, Slovenia	August 27-31, 2014
Pending - TBA	September 3-7, 2014 (including Pair Skating)
Nagoya, Japan	September 17-21, 2014
Tallinn, Estonia	September 24-28, 2013 (including Pair Skating)
Dresden, Germany	October 1-5, 2014 (including Pair Skating)
Zagreb, Croatia	October 8-12, 2014 (including Pair Skating).

### **6. International Competitions of Ballet on ice or Theatre on ice**

The Council underlines that according to its interpretation theatre on ice, ballet on ice and similar activities fall under Art 2, paragraph 1 of the ISU Constitution. Consequently, these international activities belong to the area of exclusive jurisdiction of the ISU. Therefore no ISU Member is authorized to organize any international competition in theatre on ice, ballet on ice or the like. The Council feels bound to initiate action against any Member interfering with this jurisdiction and the persons representing such federation.

### **7. New ISU Offices for the ISU Headquarters/Secretariat in Lausanne**

Pursuant to the information included in ISU Communication No. 1797, item 12, the President and the Director General have signed on behalf of the International Skating Union and in presence of a notary the deed for the purchase of the new offices at Avenue Juste Olivier 17 in Lausanne at conditions unanimously approved by the Council.

The ISU will take possession of the new offices on June 30, 2014. Depending on the duration of the necessary refurbishing work, the move to the new offices is foreseen earliest for the beginning of 2015.

### **8. New ISU website**

The Council received the report from the ISU PR/Media Coordinator, Ms. Selina Vanier, who reported that so far the ISU initiatives in the area of the media & public relations operations have given positive results. In this light the Council acknowledged that besides the continued media operations with an increased focus on social media, a new ISU website based on the latest technology available will be launched during November 2013.

### **9. 56<sup>th</sup> Ordinary ISU Congress 2016 – Dubrovnik, Croatia,**

The Council tentatively allotted the 56<sup>th</sup> Ordinary ISU Congress 2016 to be organized in cooperation with the Croatian Skating Federation and to be held in Dubrovnik, Croatia on June 6-10, 2016.

The final decision will be taken by the Council following a forthcoming site visit of the Director General and based on his report to the Council.

### **10. World Development Trophy**

Based on the proposal submitted in Paris by the Development Coordinator, the ISU Council agreed to pursue this initiative for a 2<sup>nd</sup> season. Development Trophy events are planned to be held at different regions/venues and dates. Full details including the relevant entry criteria & procedures, full Announcements etc. are under preparation and will be released in due course.

### **11. Recognition of new World Records Short Track Speed Skating**

In addition to the recognized World Records as per ISU Communication No. 1797, item 8, the Council in accordance with Article 19, paragraph 5.i) of the ISU Constitution, homologated the following World Record:

Ladies 500 meters

42.597            Meng Wang – China – Dresden, February 10, 2013.

### **12. ISU History Book**

The Council acknowledged the progress made by a group under the coordination of Honorary ISU Member Jim Hawkins in the preparation of a History Book for the period since the 1992 Congress. The Council agreed that the period to be covered by the History Book shall include the seasons up to and including the season 2014/15 and the Book shall be ready for distribution for the 2016 ISU Congress.

### **13. ISU Council meetings**

The ISU Council agreed to meet again  
on December 16-17, 2013 in Milano, Italy  
on February 14, February 17 and February 20, 2014 in Sochi, Russia  
on June 8 & June 14-15, 2014 in Dublin, Republic of Ireland  
on October 17-19, 2014 in Geneva, Switzerland.

Milan,

October 18, 2013

Lausanne,

**Ottavio Cinquanta**, President

**Fredi Schmid**, Director General