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invite you to



**INTERNATIONAL
FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION
BELGRADE,
23 to 27 January 2018**

GENERAL: The SKATE HELENA will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2016, the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Figure Skating as well as pertinent ISU Communications.

Participation in the SKATE HELENA 2018 is open to all Skaters who belong to an ISU Member, Rule 109, paragraph 1, and qualify with regard to eligibility, according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3 b) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of it.

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TECHNICAL DATA:

Place of the competition: Ledena dvorana - PIONIR ice hall, Čarli Čaplina 39, Belgrade.

The rink is indoor, but not heated. The size of the rink is 30 m x 60 m.

Date of the competition: 23-27. January 2018.

LEVEL OF THE COMPETITION: SKATE HELENA is an International competition (categories Advanced Novices, Juniors and Seniors) and Interclub competition (categories Basic Novice B, Basic Novice A, Chicks and Cubs). SKATE HELENA is supported by ISU Development Program and Ministry of Youth and Sport of Serbia.

ENTRIES:

Citizenship / Residence requirements and Clearance Procedure:

In accordance with Rule 109 of ISU Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 or any update of it, all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

All ISU members and all clubs, members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with ISU, are invited to take part in the competition. Each ISU member and club may enter 2 competitors in each category (2 males and 2 females). The organizing union and club take right to enter more competitors. In case of too many entries, the organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants. The maximum entries accepted will be approximately 30 in each category.

Competitors for Categories Advance Novice, Junior and Senior must be entered through their Member Federation. Entries for younger categories may be entered by clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations, associated with the ISU. (The Organizer has a right to make exceptions and accept additional entries from clubs and/or ISU Members to the International competition, and also from other organizations to the Interclub competition.)

Deadline for entries: All entries (Skaters, Judges, Team Leaders, Coaches, other participants) are expected not later than **January 10, 2018**. Please feel free to use the online entry system at the web portal europeancriterium.eu. Before the entry procedure, club or Association representative need to apply for an account on www.europeancriterium.eu/Account/Register.

The "Program Content Sheet" for all skaters in all categories must be sent to the Organizing Committee not later than **January 10, 2018**. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet will be filled precisely for each Skater using terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

Entry fee is 45 EUR per skater. The entry fee must be paid for each competitor at the Registration before the competition.

Participating teams must announce changes in their teams immediately after their arrival.

CATEGORIES:

SENIOR LADIES

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 4 min +/- 10 sec

Requirements: according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and respective ISU Communications

SENIOR MAN

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 4 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec

Requirements: according to ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and respective ISU Communications.

JUNIOR LADIES

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

Requirements: according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the respective ISU Communications.

JUNIOR MEN

Short Program: 2 min 40 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 4 min, +/- 10 sec

Requirements: according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016 and the respective ISU Communications.

ADVANCED NOVICE GIRLS

Short Program: 2 min 20 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min +/- 10 sec

Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

ADVANCED NOVICE BOYS

Short Program: 2 min 20 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Skating: 3 min 30 sec, +/-10 sec

Age and requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE B I. GIRLS

Free Skating: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice B I skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2002 - 30.6.2003

Requirements: according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE B II. GIRLS

Free Skating: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice B II skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2003 – 30.6.2004.

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE B BOYS

Free Skating: 3 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice B skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2002 -30.6.2004.

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE A I. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice A I skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2004– 30.6.2005.

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE A II. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice A II skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2005– 30.6.2006.

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE A III. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice A III skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2006– 30.6.2007.

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

BASIC NOVICE A BOYS

Free Skating: 2 min 30 sec, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Basic Novice A skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2004 – 30.6.2005.

Requirements according to the ISU Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2016, ISU Communication 2024 and all respective ISU Communications.

CUBS I. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Cubs skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2007 – 30.6.2008.

CUBS II. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Cubs skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2008– 30.6.2009.

CUBS BOYS

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Cubs skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2007 – 30.6.2009.

A well balanced CUBS Free Skating Program must contain:

a) Maximum of 4 jumps elements for Girls and Boys, one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only the two most difficult jumps will be counted. Triple jumps are not permitted. Any single or double jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.

c) There must be a maximum:

- for Girls one (1) Choreographic sequence which includes at least one 3 seconds long spiral position. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Level explanation: For Cubs, in all elements, which are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

Deduction for the fall: -0.5

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance

The factor of the Program Components is 2.5

CHICKS I. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Chicks skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2009 – 30.6.2010.

CHICKS II. GIRLS

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Chicks skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2010 and younger.

CHICKS BOYS

Free Skating: 2 min, +/- 10 sec

Age requirements: Chicks skater is the skater born in the period: 1.7.2009 and younger

A well balanced CHICKS Free Skating Program must contain:

a) Maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys, one of which must be an Axel type jump. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combination can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only the two most difficult jumps will be counted. Triple jumps are not permitted. Any single or double Jump (including Double Axel) cannot be executed more than twice in total.

b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation), one of which must be a spin combination with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total) and one spin with no change of position and with or without change of foot (minimum of six (6) revolutions in total). Flying entry is allowed.

c) There must be a maximum:

- for Girls one (1) Choreographic sequence which includes at least one 3 seconds long spiral position. The sequence will have a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.
- for Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

Level explanation: For Chicks in all elements which, are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution

The factor of the Program Components is 2.5

Deduction for the fall: -0.5

The same ISU Rules regarding judging, refereeing and the work of the Technical Panel apply as in Junior and Senior International Competitions

CALCULATION OF THE RESULTS: All results will be calculated in the new ISU Judging System.

EUROPEAN CRITERIUM TROPHY: SKATE HELENA is associated with the European Criterium Tournament 2017/18 for Junior, Advance Novice and younger categories. Results of the Teams will count for competition of International Trophy of Figure Skating European Criterium. Individual points are automatically calculated for all skaters in every category and those are valid in the European Criterium Tournament in the same category. The age requirements and the special regulation for the European Criterium Trophy are published on the website of the EC: www.europeancriterium.eu.

JUDGES: Each ISU Member participating on the competition may enter one or more International or ISU Judge for different disciplines. Each panel of Judges in Senior, Junior and Novice categories will consist of 5 judges and 3 judges in younger categories.

Accommodation with full board in the **Hotel ZIRA****** will be covered by organizer from dinner on January 23 until lunch on January 27 2018 or for the days when the Judge is on duty. Confirmation for Judges will be sent to each Member via fax or E-mail.

EXPENSES: Organizer covers the accommodation expenses with full board only for the confirmed Judges, nominated Technical Controllers and Technical Specialists in the Hotel ZIRA**** Belgrade. Expenses for accommodation and meals for Competitors and other Team officials will not be covered by the Organizer.

AWARDS: The Organizer provides diplomas for all competitors after each event. The best placed Team will be awarded a Cup.

MUSIC: Music will be played from CD player. Each competitor must deliver a CD with her/his program music(s) to the Organizing Committee Office immediately after arrival. The CD must be labeled by the name of the competitor, the club and category which he/she competes in.

LIABILITY: In accordance with ISU Regulations, Rule 119, all participants act on their own responsibility. Organizer will provide medical emergency aid during competition.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE: The Office of the Organizing Committee will be located on the ice-rink, and will be on disposal from Monday, January 22 until Sunday, January 28 during the whole event.

ACCOMODATION: All participants except Judges, Technical Controllers and Technical Specialists must cover their accommodation expenses by themselves. Official hotels of the event:

HOTEL ZIRA****, Ruzveltova 35, Belgrade.
Website: www.zirahotels.com, E-mail: reservations@zirahotels.com.
Distance from the ice-rink: 300 m, shuttle transfers will not be provided.

HOTEL 88 ROOMS **** Takovska 49, Belgrade.
Distance from ice -rink 300 m, shuttle transfers will not be provided

HOTEL Zepter , Terazije 10, in Belgrade City center

Accommodation in hotels must be booked and paid by each member or club directly.

Contact person for all further information is Vesna Rakovic, President of Skating Club Helena Pajovic, can be contacted **by phone GSM ++ 381 60 33 99 243, Katarina Mitrovic +381 63 363 531 member of OC Skate Helena Cup** , or E-mail skatehelena@yahoo.com

Looking forward to see you in Belgrade!

**Vesna Rakovic
President of OC**

PRELIMINARY TIMETABLE OF EVENTS:

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

- 19:30 - Arrival of teams
- 19:30 - Judges meeting
- 20:00 - draw for CHICKS, CUBS, BASIC NOVICES A and B

Wednesday, January 24, 2018

- 08:00 – 13:00 - Free Skating CHICKS
- 13:00 – 19:00 - Free Skating CUBS Girls and Boys
- awarding of prizes for Chicks and Cubs

Thursday, January 25, 2018

- 08:00 – 20:00 - Free Skating BASIC NOVICE A Girls and Boys
- Free Skating BASIC NOVICE B Girls and Boys
- awarding of prizes Basic Novices A, Basic Novices B
- After awarding ceremony, practice for Advance Novices
- 19:00 - draw for short program for ADVANCE NOVICES, JUNIORS and SENIORS

Friday, January 26, 2018

- 07:00 – 09:00 - Practice for Juniors, Seniors
- 09:00 – 18:00 - Short Program ADVANCE NOVICE Girls and Boys
- Short Program JUNIOR Ladies and Men
- Short Program SENIOR Ladies and Men
- 18:00 - Practice for Advance Novices, Junior, Senior

Saturday, January 27 2017

- 07:00 – 09:00 - Practice for Juniors, Seniors
- 09:00 – 20:00 - Free Skating ADVANCE NOVICE Girls and Boys
- Free Skating JUNIOR Ladies and Men
- Free Skating SENIOR Ladies and Men
- awarding of prizes Advance Novices, Juniors, Seniors and Teams EC

Subject to change!

Timetable, results and other information will be announced on internet site of the organizer: www.skatehelena.org, www.klizackisavezsrbijs.rs, or www.europeancriterium.eu after the conclusion of entries deadline and during the competition.