



# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

**MINSK - BELARUS** Minsk-Arena

15 - 17 November 2019



















On behalf of the Skating Union of Belarus, and the Organizing Committee, we have the honour and pleasure to invite you to a Competition in the

## ISU WORLD CUP

#### SPEED SKATING

2019/20

which will be held at the Minsk-Arena in Minsk, Republic of Belarus on November 15,16 and 17, 2019

The Competition will be held under the 2018 ISU General Regulations, Special Regulations and Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2278.

This World Cup Competition will serve as one of the qualifying events for quota places at the ISU European Speed Skating Championships 2020, ISU Four Continents Speed Skating Championships 2020, ISU World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships 2020, ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships 2020 and ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships 2020.

#### PROGRAM:

Thursday, 14 November:	16:00 18:00	Team leaders' Meeting, Restaurant "Dryzya" Opening draw, Restaurant "Dryzya"		
Friday, 15 November:		Division B: Division B:	3000m Ladies 5000m Men	
	17:30	Division A: Division A: Division A: Division A:	Team sprint (Ladies) Team sprint (Men) 3000m Ladies 5000m Men	
Saturday, 16 November:		Division B Division B Division B	500m Ladies 1000m Men 1500m Ladies Mass Start SF 1 (Men) Mass Start SF 2 (Men)	
	15:00	Division A Division A Division A	500m Ladies 1000m Men 1500m Ladies Mass Start Final (Men)	
Sunday, 17 November:		Division B: Division B: Division B:	500m Men 1000m Ladies 1500m Men Mass Start SF 1 (Ladies) Mass Start SF 2 (Ladies)	
	15:00	Division A Division A Division A	500m Men 1000m Ladies 1500m Men Mass Start Final (Ladies)	

<sup>\*</sup> The actual starting times for the B Division races will be announced at the Team leaders' meetings. For each distance, the races of Division A and the races of Division B are considered as two separate competitions with independent final classifications (list of results) for determining the awarding of World Cup points and prize money.

#### TRACK

A standard speed skating track of 400 meters to the lap laid out at Minsk-Arena, an artificially frozen indoor skating rink in Minsk. The radii of the inner and outer competition lanes are 26 and 30 meters, respectively. The width of the inside warm-up lane is 7 meters.

#### **ENTRIES**

Entries for this competition will be restricted and must be made according to ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2278, paragraph 3.1.3.

Entries can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events on <a href="www.isu.org">www.isu.org</a>, section Speed Skating or <a href="http://isu.events/login.php">http://isu.events/login.php</a>

**Preliminary entries**, giving the estimated number of Competitors & substitutes and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and team leader must be submitted at the latest by Wednesday, October 15, 2019.

**Final entries** including the names of the Competitors and available substitutes, as well as the names of the team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is required must be submitted at the latest by 12:00 noon (local time) on Monday, November 11, 2019. (see also ISU Communication No. 2278, paragraph 3.1.1).

Please note that for all persons entered by the ISU Members, the procedures regarding the Declaration for Competitors and Officials (all team officials requiring an accreditation) entering ISU Events (Rule 131) as outlined in ISU Communication No. 1628, need to be strictly observed.

For more details please refer to Rules 115, 131 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797 or any update of this Communications.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU Regulations and ISU Communication No. 2030, all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the ISU Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another ISU Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate.

According to ISU Communication No. 2278, the entry quotas (maximum number of entries per distance, subject to the qualifying times criteria) for this competition are:

	ISU	LADIES			ISU	ISU MEN				ISU	
	Member	500	1000	1500	3000 5000	Member	500	1000	1500	5000 10000	Member
1.	AUT	2	2	1	1	AUT	1	1	1	1	AUT
2.	BEL	1	1	1	1	BEL	1	2	3	2	BEL
3.	BLR	5*	5*	5*	5*	BLR	5*	5*	5*	5*	BLR
4.	CAN	4	4	4	4	CAN	4	4	4	4	CAN
5.	CHN	5	4	4	3	CHN	4	2	2	2	CHN
6.	TPE	2	2	2	1	TPE	1	1	1	1	TPE
7.	CZE	1	2	3	4	CZE	1	1	1	2	CZE
8.	DEN	1	1	1	1	DEN	1	1	1	2	DEN
9.	EST	1	1	1	2	EST	1	2	1	1	EST
10.	FIN	1	1	1	1	FIN	1	2	1	1	FIN
11.	GER	2	2	3	4	GER	4	4	2	3	GER
12.	ITA	1	2	3	3	ITA	2	2	2	4	ITA
13.	JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN	5	5	5	5	JPN
14.	KAZ	2	2	2	1	KAZ	3	3	2	3	KAZ
15.	KOR	4	4	3	3	KOR	4	4	3	4	KOR
16.	LAT	1	1	1	1	LAT	1	2	2	1	LAT
17.	NED	5	5	5	5	NED	5	5	5	5	NED
18.	NOR	3	4	4	4	NOR	4	4	5	4	NOR
19.	NZL	1	1	1	1	NZL	1	1	1	2	NZL
20.	POL	2	3	3	3	POL	4	3	4	2	POL
21.	RUS	5	5	5	4	RUS	5	5	5	5	RUS
22.	SUI	1	1	1	1	SUI	1	1	2	2	SUI
23.	USA	4	3	3	2	USA	2	3	2	1	USA

<sup>\*</sup> as hosting ISU Member

ISU Speed Skating Members not listed in the table above, may enter a maximum 1 Skater for each distance. All entered Skaters (incl. substitutes) must have achieved applicable qualifying times for the respective distances according to the criteria given in Communication No. 2278, paragraph 3.1.2.

#### COMPETITION FORMAT AND SAFETY MEASURES FOR THE MASS START EVENTS

Mass Start races will be skated according to Rule 253, paragraph 4 b) in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2278, paragraphs 4.3 and 5.6, with distances of 16 laps for both Ladies and Men. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2195 or any further updates.

#### **COMPETITION FORMAT FOR THE TEAM SPRINT EVENTS**

Team Sprint races will be skated according to Rules 261, paragraph 3 and 265, paragraph 7 in the ISU Technical Rules for Speed Skating and ISU Communication No. 2278, paragraph 4.2.2, 4.2.3 and 5.7, with teams of 3 Skaters each, and with distances of 3 laps both for Ladies and for Men. Further details, in particular on safety measures, are given in ISU Communication No. 2195 or any further updates.

#### **GROUPING AND DRAWING PROCEDURES**

The grouping and drawing of pairs will be made according to ISU Communication No. 2278, paragraph 5.

#### **POINTS AND PRIZES**

For each event, World Cup points and prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 2278, paragraphs 6 and 7.2 accordingly.

#### **ANTI-DOPING**

Anti-Doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications Nos. 2213 and 2243 or any further update of these Communications).

#### TRAINING TIMES

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday, 11 November, 2019. Trial starts will be organized on Thursday, 14 November 2019 from 10:00 to 12:00 AM.

Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours.

#### LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119 of the ISU General Regulations, the ISU, the Skating Union of Belarus and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage incurred in connection with the ISU World Cup Speed Skating. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

Participating ISU Members will have to bear expenses for accommodation for all participating Skaters and team officials.

The cost of a room and breakfast (including drinks) at the official hotels will be as follows (including all taxes):

# Hotel "Victoria Olimp" \*\*\*\*

Minsk, Pobeditelej ave, 103; tel. +3751730875555;

www.olimphotel.by;

reservation@olimphotel.by

Single Room with breakfast (per person, per night): 80 Euro Double Room with breakfast (per 2 persons, per night): 105 Euro

# Hotel "Slavyanskaya" \*\*\*

Minsk, Narochanskaya str.6; tel. +375173591500, +375173591509;

www.slavyanskaya-minsk.by;

booking@slavyanskaya-minsk.by,

info@slavyanskaya-minsk.by.

Single Room with breakfast (per person, per night): 60 Euro Double Room with breakfast (per 2 persons, per night): 80 Euro

**Meals** (lunch and dinner) are available daily at the official hotels.

The price for lunch and dinner (including drinks):

Hotel "Victoria Olimp" - 40 Euro

Hotel "Slavyanskaya" - 20 Euro

Meals could also be organized at the venue «Minsk arena» upon request.

The meal vouchers can be purchased at the accreditation centre.

\*Payment: in BYN (Belarus rubles) or Credit card (Visa, MasterCard).

#### Cancellation policy:

In case of cancellation made after 20 October, the whole sum will be charged.

Payment: Cash in BYN or credit card (Visa, MasterCard).

Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit the number of hotel rooms available to each team at the official hotel(s).

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Minsk National Airport (http://airport.by/en), connects with direct flights to a large number of European Capital cities

A transportation service will be provided to all arriving and departing teams between Monday, November 11, 2019 and Monday, November 18, 2019. Transportation will be provided from and to the National Airport Minsk and from and to the Minsk Central Railway Station. The price for transportation to and from the airport is 30 Euro per person (both ways) and the price of transportation to and from the central railway station is 15 Euro (both ways).

The Organizing Committee would like to be informed about the time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials as soon as possible, but not later than **Monday**, **November 4**, **2019**. Information about the date and time of arrival and departure (incl. flight details) of the competitors and team officials must be submitted via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events.

Shuttle bus service will be operated between the official hotels and the ice rink during days of official training and competitions, starting from Monday, November 11, 2019.

#### **Bus Schedule**

November	15, 2019	November 16-17, 2019			
Victoria Olymp	Minsk-arena	Victoria Olymp	Minsk-arena		
10:00	10:15	7:30	7:45		
10:30	10:45	8:00	8:15		
11:00	11:15	8:30	8:45		
11:30	11:45	9:00	9:15		
12:00	12:15	9:30	9:45		
12:30	12:45	10:00	10:15		
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18:00	18:15	15:30	15:45		
18:30	18:45	16:00	16:15		
19:00	19:15	16:30	16:45		
19:30	19:45	17:00	17:15		
20:00	20:15	17:30	17:45		
20:30	20:45	18:00	18:15		
21:00	21:15	18:30	18:45		
21:30	21:45				

## **ACCREDITATIONS**

The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. Additional fee of 50 Euros for each extra accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

## **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE - MEDIA ACCREDITATION - INQUIRIES**

Inquiries should be addressed only to the Organizing Committee or at the addresses below. For Media accreditation, please contact the below address as soon as possible.

Organizing Committee General Inquiries	Committee ISU Member		Accreditation, transportation, accommodation,		
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#### **WEBSITE**

Results and other information from the competitions will be posted on the following website: www.skating.by

# ISU "INSIDE EVENTS" MOBILE APPLICATION

Daily information, link to results and changes in schedules (race, training, transportation, etc.) will be communicated to the teams on the board of the Team Hotel as well as on the ISU "Inside Events" mobile application.

This mobile application makes the information delivery faster, contains all relevant information for participants, reduce paper needs and notify participants in case of any changes or urgencies through push notification possibilities.

The "Inside Events" app is available free of charge on Android and Apple systems and is compatible with both tablets and smartphones. It can be downloaded with the below QR codes or directly on the app stores. Each ISU Event will have its own unique password that will be provided on site to participating Athletes, Officials, and Team Delegations.



