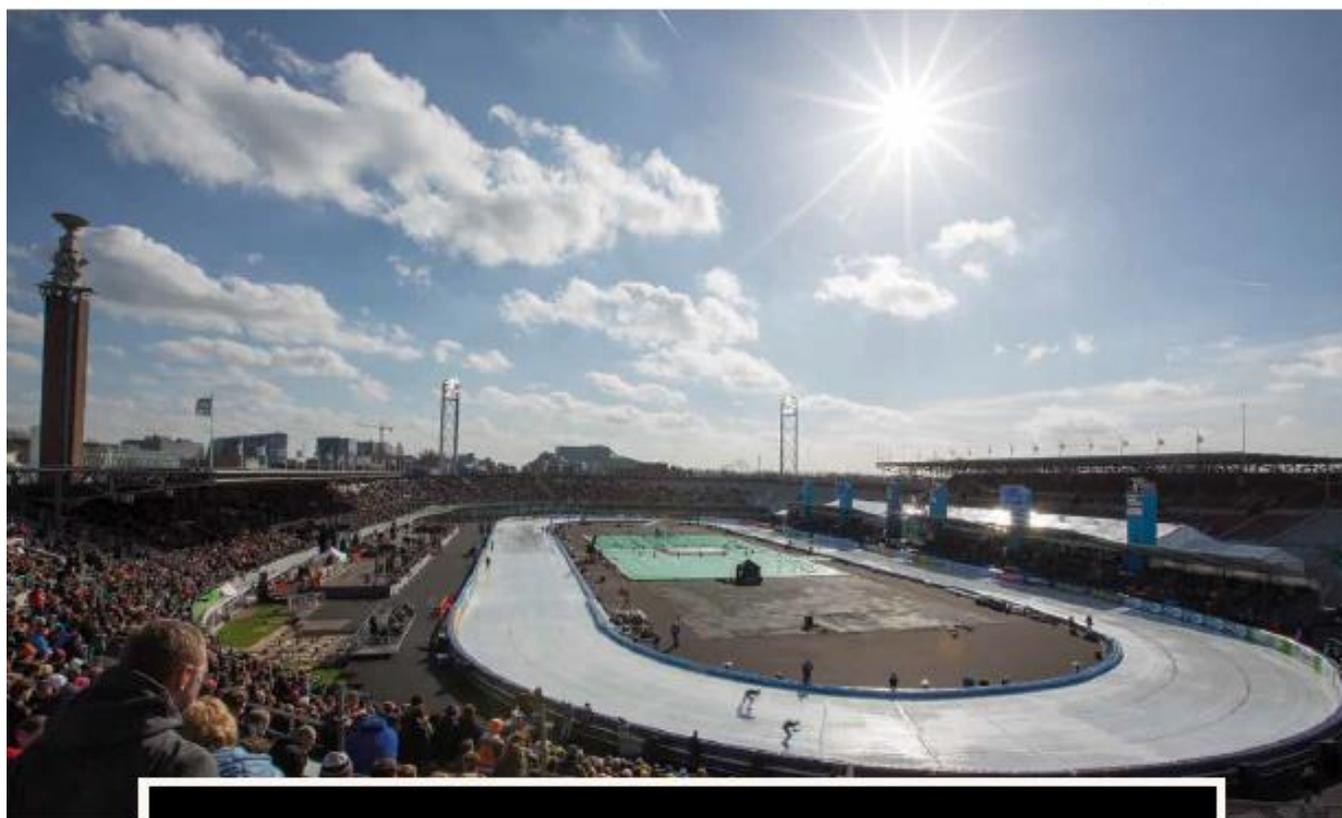




WORLD ALLROUND SPEED SKATING
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ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships 2018
Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Announcement

March 9-11, 2018
Olympic Stadium - Amsterdam, The Netherlands
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On behalf of the KNSB and the Organizing Committee, represented by House of Sports,
we have the honour and pleasure to invite you to participate in the:

 **WORLD ALLROUND SPEED SKATING**
CHAMPIONSHIPS[®] 2018

Which will be held at “De Coolste Baan van Nederland”, Olympic Stadium Amsterdam, on March 9-11, 2018

PROGRAM

Thursday, March 8, 2018		Team leaders Meeting, Olympic Stadium Opening Draw, Olympic Stadium
Friday, March 9, 2018	19:30	500m Ladies 3.000m Ladies
Saturday, March 10, 2018	16:15	500m Men 1.500m Ladies 5.000m Men 5.000m Ladies Awards Ceremony Ladies
Sunday, March 11, 2018	13:30	1.500m Men 10.000m Men Awards Ceremony Men

REGULATIONS

The ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships 2018 will be held in accordance with the 2016 Regulations of the International Skating Union (ISU) and relevant ISU Communications, in particular ISU Communication No. 2118.

Participation in the Championships is open to Skaters who belong to an ISU Member (Rule 130, paragraph 1) that has been allocated quota place(s) for the Championships, and who have met the qualification criteria according to Rule 208 and ISU Communication No. 2118.

TRACK

The Olympic Stadium is an outdoor artificially frozen ice rink with a standard track of 400 meters and inner and outer curves with radii of 26 and 30 meters respectively. The width of the inside training track is 4 meters.

TITLE AND AWARDS

The winners of the Championships are the Skaters with the lowest total of points after 4 distances have been completed (Rule 265, paragraph 2 and 268, paragraph 1).

The winners will bear the title: “Lady World Allround Speed Skating Champion for 2018” and “World Allround Speed Skating Champion for 2018”, respectively (Rule 133, paragraph b), and will each be awarded the ISU Championships gold medal. The Skaters placed second and third in the final classification after 4 distances will be awarded the ISU Championships silver and bronze medals, respectively.

Prize money will be awarded according to ISU Communication No. 1976, or any further update of this Communication.

ENTRIES

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

The entry quotas will be determined partly by the results from the World Allround Championships 2017 and partly by results achieved during the ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competition in Erfurt, GER, on January 19-21, 2018, in accordance with Rule 208, paragraph 4, and ISU Communication No. 2118. The actual entry quotas will be published by the ISU and communicated to the ISU Members concerned in due time before the deadline for final entries.

According to ISU Communication No. 2103 and Rule 208, paragraph 4, the following ISU Members have been pre-allocated entry quotas:

Ladies

Canada	1 competitor	Norway	1 competitor
Czech Republic	1 competitor	Poland	1 competitor
Japan	2 competitors	Russia	2 competitors
Netherlands	2 competitors		

Men

Belgium	1 competitor	Netherlands	2 competitors
Germany	1 competitor	Norway	2 competitors
Italy	1 competitor	Poland	1 competitor
Japan	1 competitor	Russia	1 competitor
Latvia	1 competitor		

Additional quota places up to the total of 24 quota places per gender (with a maximum of 3 competitors per ISU Member) will be allocated based on results at the ISU World Cup Speed Skating Competition in Erfurt, GER, on January 19-21, 2018. See ISU Communication No. 2118 for details.

The Preliminary entry with the estimated number of Competitors and the number of coaches and other team staff, as well as provisional names of the Competitors and Team leader must be communicated to the Organizing Committee at the latest by **February 19, 2018** (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

Final entries including the names of the Competitors and substitute(s) available to compete (maximum one substitute per gender), as well as the names of the Team leader, coaches and other team staff for whom an accreditation is required must reach the Organizing Committee at the latest by **12:00 noon (local time) on March 6, 2018** (See Rule 208, paragraph 8).

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 1628 need to be strictly observed.

For more details please refer to Rules 115, 131, 208 and ISU Communications No. 1628 and 1797.

CITIZENSHIP/RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS AND CLEARANCE PROCEDURE

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.

DRAWING

The drawings will be made in accordance with Rules 239 and 240. For the last distance (5.000m Ladies and 10.000m Men) the number of Skaters to qualify will be 8 (Rule 240, paragraph 4 a).

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

Anti-doping tests will be carried out in accordance with the valid ISU Anti-Doping Rules and ISU Anti-Doping Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1922 and 2117 or any further updates of these Communications).

LIABILITY

In accordance with the ISU General Regulations (Rule 119), the ISU, KNSB and the Organizing Committee assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or loss of property or damage incurred in connection with this Championship. Each ISU Member is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

TRAINING

The speed skating track will be open for training for entered Competitors from Monday afternoon March 5th. Only accredited Competitors, substitutes and team officials will be allowed to enter the ice-rink during the official training hours. Trial starts will be organised on Thursday March 8, 2018.

BOARD AND LODGING

The Organizing Committee will be responsible for expenses for board and lodging at the official hotel from lunch on Thursday, March 8 until lunch on Monday, March 12, 2018 (Rule 137 paragraphs 10 and 14) for all Competitors participating in the Championships and 1 Team leader or coach for each ISU Member. Expenses of other Skaters and officials (i.e. coaches, other team staff members and accompanying persons) other than those mentioned above, and expenses before or after the period mentioned above, will be at their own expense.

Accommodation requests can only be made using the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events. Parking space is not included in the hotel rates.

OFFICIAL HOTEL

The Organizing Committee will arrange hotel reservation for all Skaters and officials at the:

Dutch Design Hotel Artemis.
John M. Keynesplein 2
1066 EP Amsterdam.

www.artemisamsterdam.com

Hotel prices:

Single room for 1 person - €120,00 - €150,00 per person per night, including meals and taxes.
Double room for 2 persons - €100,00 - €130,00 per person per night, including meals and taxes.
Parking Space - €21,00 per day / €15,00 per 10u / €1,20 per 20 min.

TRANSPORTATION

The Organizing Committee will provide transportation from Monday March 5 to Monday March 12, 2018 from and to the Schiphol Airport. Team officials who do not travel together with their team cannot be guaranteed this transportation service.

A shuttle bus service will be available between the official hotel and the ice-rink from Monday March 5 until Monday March 12, 2018.

The Organizing Committee must be informed via the ISU Online Entry System for Speed Skating Events about the date and time of arrival and departure of the competitors and officials as soon as possible, but at the latest by Friday February 23, 2018.

VISA REQUIREMENTS

A visitor visa may be required for participants and team officials. Please contact the Organizing Committee if you need an invitation letter for the visa. For the invitation letter please submit the following information:

- Organisation
- Name
- Address
- Email
- Phone number

Please submit all these information to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible, in order to have the necessary visas completed in due time.

ACCREDITATIONS

A color picture must be sent to the Organizing Committee for each team member for preliminary printing of the accreditation (*.jpg format, size 35 per 44 mm, white background).

The organizer is not obliged to provide services (accommodation, accredited entrance to the ice rink, shuttle transportation, etc.) for an excessive number of team officials or other accompanying persons from participating ISU Members. Additional fee of € 50,00 for each extra accreditation must be paid to the Organizing Committee.

THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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MEDIA ACCREDITATION

Media accreditation requests for ISU Championships must be submitted via the ISU Online Media Accreditation System <http://www.wingsmedia.it/isu/>

Information for the media will be available on the ISU website in due time.

For further information contact the OC Press Officer:

Media accreditation

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WEBSITE

Information concerning the competition will be available at the following website:
www.schaatsen.nl

Live results of the competition will be available at the following website:
<http://live.isureresults.eu/2017-2018/amsterdam>