

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1492

Decisions of the ISU Council

The ISU Council held its meeting in Gothenburg (SWE) on March 22-24, 2008. The following were among the decisions made by the ISU Council:

1. Membership Status

Montenegro (MNE)

In accordance with the ISU Constitution, Article 6, paragraph 2.a), the Council decided to grant ISU membership, as a Figure Skating and Speed Skating Member, to the Skating Association of Montenegro.

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Singapore (SIN)

The ISU Council has accepted the application by the Singapore Ice Skating Association to join the ISU as a provisional Figure Skating Member with immediate effect.

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2. ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final and ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final 2008/2009 allotment

The Council agreed that the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final and ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final (combined) will be held in Seoul, Korea on December 11-14, 2008. The calendar for the other ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating events (junior and senior) were previously published in ISU Communication 1477.

3. Synchronized Skating World Challenge Cup for Juniors 2009 allotment

The Council agreed that the Synchronized Skating World Challenge Cup for Juniors 2009 will be held on March 12-14, 2009 in Neuchatel, Switzerland.

4. ISU World Cup Short Track Schedule 2008/2009

The World Cup Short Track Speed Skating 2008/2009 will be presented under the title "Samsung ISU World Cup Short Track". For the season 2008/2009 the ISU has designated the following competitions as "World Cup Competitions":

Place	Country	Date
Salt Lake City	United States	17-19 October 2008
Vancouver	Canada	24-26 October 2008
Beijing	China	28-30 November 2008
Nagano	Japan	5-7 December 2008
Sofia	Bulgaria	6-8 February 2009
Dresden	Germany	13-15 February 2009

The usual ISU Communication for the 2008/2009 ISU World Cup Speed Skating season will be issued in due course.

5. Development Contributions to ISU Members

Further to ISU Communication 1434 section C the ISU Council decided to implement additional criteria to evaluate the annual Development Contributions to ISU Members, commonly known as the C Contribution.

An evaluation of whether a Member will receive this Contribution in full, partially or not at all will be carried out at the end of each season. Each Member will be categorized, separately for the Figure Skating and Speed Skating branches based on their participation in ISU Events (Junior World Championships, Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events, Synchronized Skating World Challenge Cup for Juniors and ISU World Cups in Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating). The categories will be as follows:

Group A = Members that have had NO skaters participating in any ISU Event during the past three seasons.

Group B = Members that have participated in senior ISU Events but have not had any junior skaters participating in a junior ISU Event (Junior World Championships, Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events and also in the Synchronized Skating World Challenge Cup for Juniors) during the past three seasons.

Group C = All remaining Members

Members listed in group A and B will be identified by the ISU Secretariat and referred to the ISU Development Program Coordinator for evaluation. The ISU body in charge of the Development Program implementation shall, in due time for the Autumn Council meeting, make a proposal to the Council indicating which amount (if any) of the Development Contribution should be paid to the concerned Members. Additionally, the Development Program Coordinator within its given mandate, will provide additional advice and/or ISU Development Program support to the A & B group Members.

Group C Members will receive the Development Contribution based on the established criteria as previously published in the currently valid ISU Communication 1434.

6. Allotment of 53rd Ordinary Congress 2010

The ISU Council agreed that the 53rd Ordinary Congress 2010 will be held in Barcelona, Spain in June 2010, hosted by the Spanish Ice Sports Federation. The exact dates and Congress hall venue will be announced in due course.

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April 07, 2008
Lausanne,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General