

## Press release

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### ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 - Preview

The second ISU Shanghai Trophy starts on November 24-26, 2017. The event combines Synchronized Skating, Short Track Speed Skating and Figure Skating. It is the first time that an ISU Event combines the three disciplines.

#### **Synchronized Skating**

5 teams have been entered for the ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017. A team consists of 16 skaters (plus up to four alternates). The athletes on the ice should move in one flowing unit at high speed and perform a number of elements such as steps, blocks, wheels, moves in the field and lifts as well as isolated moves. The Short Program is a program of up to 2:50 min duration that must include the following five required elements: Intersection Element, Move Element, No Hold Element, Pivoting and Traveling Element. The Free Skating Program is 4 min 30 seconds +/-10 seconds in length and contains 10 Elements and must include the following seven: Group Lift Element, Two Different Intersection Elements, Move Element, No Hold Element, Pivoting Element (Line), Traveling Element (Circle), plus one Element from a list of groups.

Les Supremes (CAN), Marigold Ice Unity (FIN), Team Paradise (RUS), Team Surprise (SWE) and the Haydenettes (USA) will all participate in the Shanghai Trophy.

#### **Short Track Speed Skating**

11 ISU Members have been entered for the Event. The individual races will consist of the Ladies and Men 1000, 1500m and an International Mixed Gender Team Event: 444m, 777m, 2000m Mixed Gender Relay. Each team will consist of two Men and two Ladies Skaters, preferably from the same country, but also of different countries, and take part in three events to score points towards an overall team classification

#### **Figure Skating**

8 ISU Members have been entered for the Event. The skaters will only perform the Free Skating or Free Dance.

The host country has entered a strong team who will gain valuable experience at an international level; Hong Chen / Yan Zhao (Ice Dance), He Zhang (Men), Cheng Peng / Yang Jin and Wenjing Sui / Cong Han (Pair Skating).

Brendan Kerry (AUS), Moris Kvitelashvili (GEO), Denis Ten (KAZ) and Alexander Samarin (RUS) headline the Men's competition. In the Ladies field, Kailani Craine (AUS), Micol Christini (ITA), Elizabet Tursynbaeva (KAZ), Hanul Kim (KOR) and Russians Elena Radionova and Maria Sotskova will be competing. In Pairs Valentina Marchei / Ondrej Hotarek from Italy and Russians Kristina Atakhova / Alexei Rogonov will join the Chinese teams. Finally, the Ice Dance competition will



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The ISU Shanghai Trophy 2017 will be available as a live stream on the Olympic Channel: <https://www.olympicchannel.com/en/> and the on demand videos will be available on the ISU YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/SkatingISU>

Results for Figure Skating and Synchronized Skating are available [here](#) and Short Track Speed Skating will be available [here](#).

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