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The International Skating Union (ISU) celebrates the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace

Today, April 6, 2021, the International Skating Union (ISU) proudly celebrates the International Day of Sport for Development and Peace for the fourth consecutive year. Sport, peace and unity is more important than ever in these times of crisis.

This year, athletes representing all four sports convey the message of commitment to Sport for Development and Peace.

Ice Dancers <u>Lilah Fear and Lewis Gibson (GBR)</u>, Short Track Speed Skater <u>Sofia Prosvirnova (RUS)</u> with Speed Skaters <u>Viktor Thorup (DEN)</u> and <u>Brittany Bowe (USA)</u>, as well as Synchronized Skaters from Team Nexxice (CAN) show the strong symbol of a <u>#WhiteCard</u>.

In contrast with the red card, which signifies the most serious offense in sport, the <u>#WhiteCard</u> is a gesture of inclusion, tolerance and peace. The <u>#WhiteCard is a Peace and Sport digital campaign</u> that promotes the positive and constructive values of sport.

To celebrate Peace and Sport on April 6, the ISU invites the entire Skating community to rally around the symbol of a <u>#WhiteCard</u> as a sign of commitment to peace efforts worldwide. To find out more information on the <u>#WhiteCard</u> campaign and how you can also participate please visit <u>their website</u>.

About the ISU

The International Skating Union (ISU), founded in 1892, is the oldest governing international winter sport federation and the exclusive international sport federation recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) administering the sports of Figure Skating (Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance), Synchronized Skating, Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating worldwide. The objectives of the ISU are to regulate, govern, promote and develop its sports on the basis of friendship and mutual understanding between athletes. Currently three ISU disciplines are included in the Olympic Winter Games program (Figure Skating, Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating). For further information please visit <u>isu.org.</u>