

Communication No. 2200

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

**ISU Officials Seminar for Referees, Judges,
Technical Controllers and Technical Specialists**

Vierumäki Resort – The sport of Institute of Finland
Urheiluoopistontie 400, Vierumäki

On November 15th – 18th, 2018

The Seminar is targeting the following two groups of Officials

- A. Officials serving at ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2019 and ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2019**

This initiative is intended to assist our Officials in the preparation for their duties at the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2019 and ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2019.

This will be an intensive Seminar to update all Officials with the latest Rules and Regulations applicable to the upcoming major Events. The ISU wants to ensure that athletes in Synchronized Skating receive the support that they deserve by having knowledgeable and well-trained Officials evaluating their performances. Judging and technical officiating opportunities are few and many ISU Officials may only participate in the World Championship in one season. The ISU feels it is important to give the Referees, Judges and Technical Officials as much practical guidance as possible for their important duty at the most important ISU Events.

Participants:

The candidates for the Seminar are those Judges appointed by their ISU Members that have been drawn to participate at the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2019 and ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships 2019. Also, those Officials who have been appointed to act as Referees, Technical Controllers or Technical Specialists are invited to participate.

Travel Contribution:

In line with the usual ISU practice, up to the following amounts will be reimbursed on submission of travel receipts. The ISU will only reimburse the cost of economy class travel.

Expenses:

The responsibility for the expenses of the Seminar will be allocated as follows:

- a) The living expenses (accommodation and meals) for the attending Officials from the evening of Thursday, November 15th, 2018 to lunch on Sunday, November 18th, 2018 will be borne by the ISU.
- b) Airport transfers will also be arranged provided the agreed prior notification of travel arrangements is received by the organisers. (Taxi costs from the airport to Vierumäki are approximately EUR 205 for one person, taxis can be shared to reduce that cost but arranging to share is the responsibility of the participant to request from the Finnish seminar organiser).
- c) The travel expenses of the participating Officials will be reimbursed by the ISU, subject to submission of an actual ticket receipt up to a limit of:

Australia	€ 900
N. America	€ 700
Europe	€ 300
Finland	€ 100

B. ISU and International Officials not serving at ISU Championships 2019**Purpose:** Technical Panel

The purpose of this seminar is to **update** the Technical Panel Officials with practical and theoretical instruction of the clarifications for the 2018/19 Synchronized Skating season (pertinent ISU Communications and Summary of Calls).

The focus of this Seminar will be on the introduction of new elements and clarification of the application of the technical requirements by the Technical Panel. Participants are part of and will attend the Technical Panel stream indicated on the timetable.

Purpose: Judges

The purpose is to update all Officials with the latest Rules and Regulations applicable to the upcoming Events. This Seminar will also satisfy attendance requirements for the new -5 to +5 GOE. The ISU wants to ensure that athletes in Synchronized Skating receive the support that they deserve by having knowledgeable and well-trained Officials evaluating their performances.

Participants:

Each ISU Member may send an application to participate for their Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Judges with the qualification "ISU" and/or "International" and National.

This seminar is NOT open for those Technical Controllers, Specialists and Judges who attended the Frankfurt seminar in July 2018. Note: This Seminar does not count as an official Re-Certification Seminar for Technical Controllers or Specialists but does count as Seminar activity for Judges.

EXPENSES for the Technical Panel/Judges Seminar:

- a) The travel and living expenses of the Moderators of the Seminars, designated to serve by the SySTC, will be borne by the ISU.
- b) The travel and living expenses (accommodations and meals) for all participants who wish to attend this Seminar are to be borne by their respective ISU Member or by the Officials themselves.
- c) All participants must pay a lump sum of **EUR 430 (or EUR 330 if room sharing)**. This amount includes the payment of the meals from evening of Thursday, November 15th, 2018 to lunch on Sunday, November 18th, 2018 (beverages are not included) and all coffee breaks and accommodation. A limited number of double rooms are available for delegates wishing to share, but these will be booked on a first come first served basis.
- d) This lump sum must be paid by all participants upon registration via the e-form of the seminar at: <https://www.lyyti.in/isusysofficials18>
- e) The administrative expenses of the Seminar (ice rink, use of classroom and technical equipment) will be borne by the ISU.

All participants are responsible for arranging their own travel. Please note it is not possible to attend the Seminar and to not stay on-site. (Taxi costs from the airport to Vierumäki are approximately EUR 205 for one person, taxis can be shared to reduce that cost but arranging to share is the responsibility of the participant).

Room costs (price per person) are as follows (includes full board):

Single Room EUR 430

Double Room EUR 330 – only available for two named participants sharing room

*Please note that the price is guaranteed for bookings made **before October 15th, 2018**.

Room booking requests are made using the registration form link and will immediately be passed to the Finnish Association administrator.

The Seminar will consist of two parts: a practical part with on-ice-demonstrations and practical instructions by ISU Moderators and a high standard Synchronized Skating Team, a trial judging of a Synchronized Skating programs (Short Program and Free Skating) and classroom lectures, which will consist of updates regarding Synchronized Skating rules and the judging system criteria (from the Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2018 and all pertinent ISU Communications) as well as in depth discussion regarding the application of the technical and judging rule sets.

This is not an examination and is intended as an intensive preparation for all Officials to help in the preparation to undertake their duties at the forthcoming World Championships as well as other International Competitions during the season 2018/19.

Moderators:

Program Components and GOE: Ms. Petra Tyrbo
Mr. Mika Saarelainen

On Ice and Technical Information: Ms. Cathy Dalton
Ms. Ulliana Chirkova

Applications:

The applications to participate must be submitted by the ISU Member concerned, on behalf of their Officials, to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to Mr. Philippe Maitrot, Chair of the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, Ms. Krisztina Regöczy, ISU Sports Director and the Finnish Figure Skating Association by **October 15th, 2018**.

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Ms. Krisztina Regöczy
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Finnish Figure Skating Association
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The number of participants is limited to 40 including the Officials who are drawn for the Championships, however, a minimum of 20 participants is required.

Note to ISU Members: if sending multiple applications, please prioritize your attendees as space may be limited. National judges will be accepted subject to space availability.

Tubbergen,
September 14, 2018
Lausanne,

Jan Dijkema, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General

Technical Panel / Judging Panel Officials Seminar

Thursday, November 15th

18:00 – 19:30	Introduction & Dinner
19:30 – 20:00	ALL – Resort Hotel, Conference Room
20:00 – 21:00	Judges – Resort Hotel, Conference Room
	Technical Panel – Resort Hotel, Conference Room

Friday, November 16th

7:00 – 8:30	Breakfast
9:00 – 9:30	ALL – Ice Rink
9:30 – 10:30	ICE Rink 1
10:30 – 10:45	Judges – Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room
10:45 – 11:30	ICE Rink 1
11:45 – 13:00	Judges – Sports Hall, Class Room 14
	Technical Panel – Sports Hall, Class Room 15
13:00 – 13:45	Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	ICE Rink 1
15:00 – 15:15	Judges - Dressing Room
	Technical Panel - Dressing Room
15:15 – 16:15	ICE Rink 1
16:30 – 19:00	Judges – Ilkka 24
	Technical Panel – Ilkka 23
19:00	Dinner

Saturday, November 17th

7:00 – 7:45	Breakfast – Wanha Sali
8:00 – 9:00	ALL – ICE Rink 1
9:00 – 9:15	Judges – Dressing Room
	Technical Panel – Dressing Room
9:15 – 10:00	ALL – ICE Rink 1
10:15 – 12:00	Judges Panel Ilkka 24
	Technical Panel Ilkka 23
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	ALL – ICE Rink 2
14:30 – 14:45	Judges – Dressing Room
	Technical Panel – Dressing Room
14:45 – 16:00	ALL – ICE Rink 2
16:00 – 16:30	Walk to Sports Hall + Break
16:30 – 17:30	ALL – Off Ice / Sports Hall, Court 1
18:00 – 20:00	Judges Panel – Ilkka 24
	Technical Panel – Ilkka 23
20:15	Dinner

Sunday, November 18th

7:00 – 8:15	Breakfast
8:30 – 10:00	Judges – Ilkka 24
	Technical Panel – Ilkka 23
10:00 – 10:15	
10:15 – 10:30	ALL – Ilkka 24
11:00/11:30	Lunch

Departure: 12:00