

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

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SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

Application to hold ISU Seminars for Synchronized Skating Referees and Judges in 2016

In accordance with the ISU Synchronized Skating Regulations 2014, Rule 907, paragraph 1, Members may send to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, applications to host ISU Seminars for Synchronized Skating Referees and Judges in 2016 fulfilling the characteristics below.

The deadline for these applications is established as **January 1, 2016**. The application form is attached to this Communication.

Purpose:

These ISU Seminars will include a Judge's section and a Referee's section. They form ISU Seminars for re-appointment of International and ISU Judges, re-appointment of International and ISU Referees, and therefore they serve the purposes of seminar attendance requirements included in Rules 900 to 903 and Rule 907.

Moderators:

Moderators designated by the respective Technical Committees will conduct these Seminars.

Participants:

These ISU Seminars are primarily for the Referees/Judges of the Host Members. However, Officials of other Members can also attend subject to the availability of places.

If a Seminar is organized in conjunction with an International Competition, the participants at the Seminar cannot also serve as Referees, Judges or Coaches at the competition.

Members wishing to nominate Referees and/or Judges to participate in these ISU Seminars, or the ISU Referees/Judges themselves, may make an application to the ISU Secretariat, with copies to the Host Member and the Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, not later than six weeks prior to the scheduled date of the Seminar.

The Host Member must also send to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the respective Technical Committee, the names of those of its own Officials who will attend the Seminar.

Please note that at the **2016 ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships and at the 2016 ISU Junior World Challenge Cup**, the Initial Judges Meetings will be conducted by the Chair or a Member of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee. Each Initial Judges Meeting and the respective Round Table Discussion will form together an ISU Seminar for re-appointment of ISU Judges, as per Rule 907, paragraph 5.

Members are reminded that those Initial Judges Meeting and Round Table Discussions will no longer form ISU Seminars for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees. Consequently, the Judges

officiating at 2016 ISU Synchronized Skating Championships are required to attend this ISU Referees' Seminar to fulfill the requirement for re-appointment of ISU or International Referees.

The Host Member may request the participation also of Coaches, who are interested to learn and receive useful information, to attend these ISU Seminars (if places are available) and must send their names to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to the Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee for the final approval.

Language:

All Seminars will be conducted in English.

Expenses:

The responsibility for the expenses of these ISU Seminars will be allocated as follows:

- a) The administrative expenses (use of ice surface, classroom and all supporting equipment/facilities) will be borne by the Host Member.
- b) The travel and living expenses of the Moderators will be borne by the ISU.
- c) The travel and living expenses of the participants will be borne by their respective Members, or by the ISU Referees/Judges themselves in case of direct application (not through the Members).

The ISU can contribute financially only to a limited number of these ISU Seminars each year. If the ISU is unable to contribute to the expenses of a Seminar following the above guidelines and applied as per the procedure above, the Host Member can nevertheless make the application for its recognition. If recognition is granted, the total expenditure will then be borne by the Host Member.

Members who do not receive financial assistance from the ISU could apply to their respective NOC for possible funding through Olympic Solidarity.

Milano,
November 30, 2015
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