

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1773

SYNCHRONIZED SKATING

ISU CHAMPIONSHIPS 2013 JUDGES / REFEREES / TECHNICAL CONTROLLERS / TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS SEMINAR

The ISU has introduced this initiative to assist ISU Officials in the preparation for their duties at the ISU Synchronized Skating Championships in 2013. This will be an intensive seminar to update all Officials with the latest rules and regulations applicable to the upcoming championships. The ISU wants to ensure that the support to Synchronized Skating athletes that they deserve is giving by having knowledgeable and well trained Officials evaluating their performances. Judging and technical officiating opportunities are few and many ISU Officials may only participate at the World Championship in a season. We feel it is important to give the Judges and Technical officials as much guidance as possible to enable them to effectively evaluate the performances of the teams.

The seminar will take place in:

**Vierumäki
Sport Institute of Finland**

13th – 16th December, 2012

The opening / welcome dinner will be on Thursday December 13, at 6 pm (18:00) and the seminar will finish at 2 pm (14:00) on Sunday, December 16.

Participants:

The candidates for the seminar are those Judges appointed by their Members that have been drawn to participate at the World Junior and World Synchronized Skating Championships 2013 (see ISU Communication No. 1763). Also, those Officials who have been appointed to act as Referee, Technical Controller or Technical Specialist for the above-mentioned Championships are also invited to participate.

Applications:

The applications to participate must have been submitted by the Member concerned, on behalf of their candidates, to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to Mr. Chris Buchanan, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, Mr. Peter Krick, Chair of the Sports Directorate and the Finnish Figure Skating Association by **November 14, 2012**.

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Seminar:

The Seminar will consist of two parts: a practical part with demonstrations on-ice by a high standard Synchronized Skating team, trial judging of competition events (Short Program and Free Skating) and a classroom lecture based part, which will consist of updates regarding Synchronized Skating rules and the judging system criteria (from the Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2012 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 workshop for all Officials to help in the preparation to undertake their duties at the forthcoming Championships.

Moderators:

Judges & Referees: Mrs. Gale Tanger (including Components)
Technical Panel: Ms. Cathy Dalton (including on-ice demonstration moderation)
Ms. Helena Johansson

Travel Contribution:

The travel expenses of the participating Officials will be reimbursed by the ISU, subject to submission of an actual ticket receipt. The ISU will only reimburse the cost of economy class travel up to a limit of:

Australia	€ 900
North America/Japan	€ 700
Europe	€ 300
Finland	€ 100

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, December 13th, 2012 to lunch on Sunday, December 16th, 2012 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.

Milan
November 7, 2012
Lausanne

Ottavio Cinquanta, President
Fredi Schmid, Director General