

# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

## Communication No. 1912

### Synchronized Skating

#### ISU SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015 REFEREES / JUDGES / TECHNICAL CONTROLLERS/ TECHNICAL SPECIALISTS SEMINAR

The ISU has introduced this initiative to assist ISU Officials in the preparation for their duties at the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2015 (Senior and Junior). 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 deserved support is given to the Synchronized Skating athletes 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. It is important to give the Referees, Judges and Technical Panel Officials as much practical guidance as possible for their important duty at the most important ISU Synchronized Skating Events.

The seminar will take place in:

**Vierumäki Sports Institute of Finland  
November 20 - 23, 2014**

#### **Participants:**

The candidates for the seminar are those Judges appointed by their Members who have been drawn to participate at the ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships 2015.

Also, those Officials who have been appointed to act as Referees, Technical Controllers or Technical Specialists for the above mentioned Championships are invited to participate.

#### **Applications:**

The applications to participate must be submitted by the Member concerned, on behalf of their candidates, to the ISU Secretariat, with a copy to Mr. Philippe Maitrot, member of the ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, Ms. Krisztina Regöczy, Sport Director and the Finnish Figure Skating Association by **November 5, 2014.**

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**Seminar:**

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, trial judging of a Synchronized Skating competition (Short Program and Free Skating) and a classroom lecture, which will consist of updates regarding Synchronized Skating rules and the judging system criteria (from the Special Regulations for Synchronized Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications), the Program Components, 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 Synchronized Skating Championships.

**Moderators** (members of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee):

On-Ice Sessions and Technical Information:

- Ms. Cathy Dalton
- Ms. Helena Ericson (Johansson)

Judges Seminar:

- Ms. Karen Wolanchuk  
Mr. Chris Buchanan

**Travel Contribution:**

In line with 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.

- Australia € 900
- North America € 700
- Europe € 300
- Finland € 100

**Time Schedule:**

The Seminar will begin from the late afternoon of Thursday, November 20, 2015 to lunch on Sunday, November 23, 2015 (the detailed information with schedules will be sent to the participants in due time).

**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 20, 2015 to lunch on Sunday, November 23, 2015 will be borne by the ISU.
- b) Airport transfers (Vantaa-Helsinki airport to Vierumäki) will also be arranged provided the agreed prior notification of travel arrangements is received by the Organizers.
- c) The travel expenses of the participating Officials will be reimbursed by the ISU, subject to submission of an actual ticket up to a limit as indicated in the travel contribution above.

Milan

October 24, 2014

Lausanne

**Ottavio Cinquanta**, President

**Fredi Schmid**, Director General