

# INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

## Communication No. 1380

### **Regional Novice/Junior – Ice Dance Coaches Seminar For Coaches and their Couples competing at Novice/Junior levels**

The ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee in cooperation with the ISU Coaches Commission and under the auspices and financial support of the ISU Development Program will be holding a Regional Novice/Junior Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and their Couples in:

**Helsinki/Vierumäki, Finland from May 23<sup>rd</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006**

Providing sufficient applications are received.

#### **GOAL:**

- The IDTC aims to increase the skating knowledge, level and coaching skills of the participants.
- Continuous education is vitally important for the Coaches' understanding all the possibilities and the strategic use of the ISU Judging System as well as for their technical development.
- The IDTC aims to encourage Coaches to create Required Elements that enhance and reflect the character of the chosen music and by so doing create artistically more valuable Dance programs.

#### **PROGRAM:**

The Seminar will cover the following topics:

- Novice and Junior Compulsory Dances for the seasons 2006-2007
- Required Elements for Original Dance and Free Dance
- Correct interpretation of the ISU Judging System
- Detailed explanation of Components
- Levels
- Music and Dance education – ballroom demonstrations
- Choreographic principles
- How a Technical Specialist looks at a program / Calling specifications
- Required Elements on Video to be called by the Coaches

#### **PARTICIPANTS:**

2 Coaches and 2 Couples (Novice or Junior) per Member – up to 24 Coaches and 12 Couples (6 Novice and 6 Junior) with priority given to Coaches and Couples from the Baltics and North European countries  
More Coaches and Couples per European Member may be admitted – should numbers permit  
Applications for Coaches and Couples to attend will be accepted on a “first come first served” basis

#### **MODERATORS:**

ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee Representative:

- Krisztina Regöczy

The following Moderators will participate in the course:

- Krisztina Regöczy                      Mika Saarelainen
- Susanna Rahkomo                      Sylwia Nowak
- Pertti Kokko

**EXPENSES:**

The ISU Development Program would fund the following:

- The ISU Development Program will pay the living expenses (room and meals) for up to 24 participating Coaches as well as for 12 participating Couples from dinner on Tuesday May 23<sup>rd</sup>, to lunch on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2006.
- If the total of participating Coaches is less than 24 and the Couples less than 12, the ISU Development Program will also pay the above mentioned expenses for additional Coaches and Couples from the same Member with first priority being given according to the date on which the application is received at the ISU Secretariat.

**Travel expenses to and from Helsinki/Vierumäki and the transfer fees to and from the Airport (EUR 45.00 per person) shall be carried by the Coaches and Couples Member Federation concerned, however transfer service will be arranged by the Organizers.**

**TIME-FRAME OF THE SEMINAR:**

The Seminar will commence at 17:00 hours on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Official Hotel

SPORT INSTITUTE OF FINLAND  
Suomen Urheiluopisto  
Urheiluopistontie 373,  
FIN-19120 Vierumäki  
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Reservations will be made through the Organizers for the participants at the above hotel.

The Seminar will conclude at 13:00 hours on Sunday May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**APPLICATION PROCESS AND DEADLINE:**

Applications by Members, should be sent by fax or e-mail to the ISU Secretariat with a copy to the Secretary of the Finnish Figure Skating Federation and must be received not later than **May 5, 2006**.

Copies of these applications will be sent by the ISU Secretariat to the Ice Dance Technical Committee and to the Ice Dance representative of the Coaches Commission.

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Applications should include the following information:

- Name, address, telephone and fax number of applicant
- Name of Member Country in which the Coach is currently teaching
- Brief history of coaching experience, including listing of level of pupils (national, international)

**CONFIRMATION OF PARTICIPATION:**

Confirmation of acceptance of the application will be sent to the Member of the Coach and Couple concerned by the ISU Secretariat as soon as possible after the closing date of applications: **May 5<sup>th</sup>**.

The ISU Ice Dance Technical Committee, the ISU Coaches Commission and the ISU Development Program Coordinator would be grateful if Members enthusiastically recommend the Seminar to their Coaches and Couples in the interest of making this ISU Region Novice/Junior Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and Couples, a great success.

If you have any further questions or need clarification, please do not hesitate to contact one of the above persons.

Milano,  
March 31, 2006  
Lausanne,

**Ottavio Cinquanta**, President

**Fredi Schmid**, General Secretary