



Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2016/2017

Ljubljana Cup 2016



September 21 to September 24, 2016

Ljubljana, Slovenia

INFORMATION



WELCOME

It is a great honor for Slovene Skating Union to host again one of the competitions of ISU Junior Grand Prix. Ljubljana, the Slovene capital, is after two years once more host to this event.

We cordially welcome all the skaters, coaches, judges, officials and the team members from all over the world.

THE AREA – THE CITY

LJUBLJANA BASICS



The capital of the Republic of Slovenia, a European Union member state since 2004

Area: 275 km²
Population: 283,000

Average temperature in January: - 0.3 °C
Average temperature in June: 20.7 °C
Temperature in September: low 10, high 21°C

(photo: panoramic view of the city with the castle)

HISTORY

Legend has it that Ljubljana was founded by the Greek mythological hero Jason and his companions, the Argonauts, who had stolen the Golden Fleece from King Aetes and fled from him across the Black Sea and up the Danube, Sava and Ljubljanica rivers.

At a large lake in the marshes near the source of the Ljubljanica they stopped and disassembled their ship to be able to carry it to the Adriatic Sea, put it together again, and return to Greece. The lake was the dwelling place of a monster, which Jason fought, defeated and killed. The monster, now referred to as the Ljubljana Dragon, found its place atop the castle tower depicted on the Ljubljana coat of arms.



Emona, the earliest known name of the present Ljubljana, is probably of Celtic origin. Until the 1st century BC, when the Ljubljana Basin was conquered by the Romans, it was part of the Celtic kingdom of Noricum.

As strategic stronghold which played an important role in numerous wars, was fortified with massive town walls (photo: reconstructed Roman Walls).

It had a population of five to six thousand people, mainly merchants and craftsmen, government officials and war veterans. Its streets were paved. Its brick-built houses with plastered and painted walls and mosaic floors were furnished with sewage facilities and central heating.

In 452 AD, Emona was sacked by the Huns under Attila. For long decades during the Migration Period it was wrapped in darkness. The Slovenians' Slavic forefathers arrived in the area at the end of the 6th century and began to build a settlement under the shelter of the present castle hill. The settlement gradually turned into a medieval town.

During the 9th century, Slavic settlements gradually fell under the rule of the Franks. The period saw frequent Hungarian raids. Around 1000, the Hungarians were defeated by the Germans and their territories were ceded to various German noble families. Between 1112 and 1125, the nobleman Rudolf of Tarcento gave a small estate near Ljubljana's castle hill to the Patriarchate of Aquileia. The document evidencing this represents the **earliest known mention of Ljubljana**.



Ljubljana's rapid growth began in the 13th century. The town, called **Laibach** at the time, consisted of three urban cores including Old Square (Stari trg), Town Square (Mestni trg) and New Square (Novi trg), each surrounded by a wall. It was entered by five town gates and its three urban cores were connected by two bridges. In 1220, Ljubljana was granted city rights. Its own money was minted at Ljubljana Castle. Its residents, mainly craftsmen, were organized in guilds.

In 1278, Ljubljana fell under the Hapsburg rule as part of the Province of Carniola, Having been granted as many as 39 trade and other privileges, it began to attract merchants and craftsmen from around Europe.

In the 15th century Ljubljana became renowned for its art. Particularly well known were painter's workshops one of which was called Ljubljana Sculptural Workshop. After the earthquake of 1511, the city was rebuilt in the Renaissance style and surrounded by a new town wall.

In the 16th century, when Ljubljana had a population of 5,000 people, 70 percent of them speaking Slovenian as their mother tongue, it became the center of the Slovenian Reformation movement and culture. 1550 saw the publishing of Catechismus and Abecedarium, the first two books ever written in Slovenian, and Slovenian translation of the Bible. At about the same time, Ljubljana got its first secondary school, public library and printing house. The period of Reformation was followed by a period of renewed dominance of the Catholic Church and Counter-Reformation.



In 1597, Jesuits arrived in Ljubljana and founded a gymnasium, which later developed into a college. The end of the 17th century saw the foundation of the Academia Operosorum, a scholarly society modelled on Italian associations of the kind. The Academia attracted architects and sculptors from abroad and Ljubljana's Renaissance appearance disappeared under Baroque façades.

New frontages, arched courtyards and staircases, and third floors were added to originally two-store Renaissance buildings. Most churches were renovated or built in the Baroque style. A jewel in the crown of Baroque Ljubljana was the work of the sculptor Francesco Robba (photo: Robba Fountain of Three Slovene Rivers).

1701 saw the establishment of the Academia Philharmonicorum, one of the first institutions of the kind to be founded outside Italy. Honorary members of its immediate successor, the Philharmonic Society, included composers such as Josef Haydn, Ludwig van Beethoven and Johannes Brahms, and the violinist Niccolò Paganini. Gustav Mahler was one of the Society's conductors between 1881 and 1882. The 18th century saw a manufacturing boom in Ljubljana but its economic importance still lay in its being a transit point.

Under French occupation (1809-1813) Ljubljana was the capital of the French Empire's Illyrian Provinces. Slovenian became one of the official languages and Ljubljana's first college was founded. In 1821, after the re-establishment of Austrian rule, the city hosted a Congress of the Holy Alliance which brought together several European rulers determined to put a brake on emerging nations' endeavors to achieve political freedom and constitutionality. To commemorate the Congress, one of the city's main squares was named Kongresni trg (Congress Square).

World War I affected it only indirectly. In 1918, after the disintegration of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, Slovenia became part of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenians, and Ljubljana its administrative, political and cultural center. The years to follow saw the foundation of the University of Ljubljana (1919), the National Gallery (1918) and the Academy of Sciences and Arts (1938).



Between the two World Wars, the city's appearance was thoroughly changed by the architect Jože Plečnik (Prague Castle Chradchany, Vienna Sacher Hotel), who managed to strike a balance between the Romance Baroque and the Germanic Secession. He put such a distinct personal stamp on Ljubljana that the term Plečnik's Ljubljana was coined to refer to a whole period in the city's architectural history (photo Three Bridges).

During World War II, Ljubljana was occupied first by the Italian and later by the German army. After World War II, Ljubljana became the capital of Slovenia, one of the six republics constituting the socialist Yugoslavia. It witnessed a rapid economic development, which attracted numerous immigrants and resulted in the city's expansion.

On 23 December 1990, the citizens of Slovenia voting in the independence plebiscite decided in favor of an autonomous and independent state. The independent Slovenia was declared on 25 June 1991 and Ljubljana was named its capital. In May 2004 it entered the European Union and in 2008 adopted EURO as national currency.

THE VENUE



Hala Tivoli
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covered ice rink of 30 x 60 m

OFFICIAL HOTELS



Competitors and Team Leaders:

M Hotel***
Derčeva ulica 4
SI-1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia

phone: +386 1 513 70 00
fax: +386 1 513 70 90
web: www.m-hotel.si

Walking distance to the venue (cca 10 min)



Room rates:

Single room: 90 EUR Twin room: 60 EUR
All rates are per person, breakfast and local taxes included.

Offering bright and air-conditioned rooms with free WiFi access, M Hotel is located within walking distance from the center of Ljubljana. A local bus stop with frequent lines to the center is next to the hotel. All rooms have soundproofed doors and windows and include an LCD satellite TV and a minibar. Featuring a bath or shower, private bathrooms also come with a hairdryer and free toiletries. Bike rental is available on site. Ljubljana's center can be reached within a 5-minute drive. The hotel is strategically located near the Ljubljana ring road it also provides a fast connection the airport and other tourist destinations and attractions in Slovenia. Free on-site parking is provided.



ISU Event Officials, Judges, Coaches and other team members:

Austria Trend Hotel Ljubljana****
Dunajska cesta 154
SI-1000 Ljubljana, Slovenia

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Driving distance to the venue (cca 15 min)

Room rates:

Single room: 110 EUR Twin room: 60 EUR
All rates are per person, breakfast and local taxes included.

Austria Trend Hotel is located in Ljubljana, offering air-conditioned, bright rooms with free Wi-Fi and LCD screen TV sets. For your convenience, a free shuttle service to the city center, upon schedule and availability, is offered. The hotel is not far from the train station, trade exhibition area and has good connections to the old town, museums and theatres. The Austria Trend houses bars and restaurants where you can enjoy local and international cuisine and unwind after a long active day. The hotel also features a wellness area with a sauna and hot tub.



Chaperons and Coaches:

City Hotel***
Dalmatinova ulica 15
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web: www.cityhotel.si

Room rates

Single room: 100 EUR Twin room: 60 EUR
All rates are per person, breakfast and local taxes included.



There's a fine line between time to work, visiting our capital's attractions and time to rest. Here, at City Hotel Ljubljana, we help you cross it with ease. Charming 3-star rooms await you, to relax and gather your strength after a hard day.

You'll find our business facilities ideal for hard negotiations, crucial presentations and also for social gatherings, or simply meeting with your friends.

There are 202 rooms with 415 beds available to our guests, right next to Ljubljana's Old Town.

MEALS

ISU Event Officials (Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data & Replay Operators), Competitors and Judges will receive meal vouchers for the period, covered through the Organizing Committee, beginning on Tuesday, September 20, 2016 with dinner until breakfast on Sunday, September 24, 2016.

All other persons may purchase meal vouchers for:

Lunch 20 EUR

Dinner 20 EUR

Drinks are not included.

TRAVELLING TO LJUBLJANA

There will be transportation organized from Ljubljana Airport to the designated hotel.

The transportation cost for round trip Airport Ljubljana – hotels in Ljubljana - Airport Ljubljana is 25 EUR per person.

Ljubljana has always had a strategically good position for travelling between Italy, Central Europe and the Balkans. Nowadays it's easily accessible due to a well-developed network of plain flights, railways and roads.

Ljubljana airport Jože Pučnik (LJU) is situated some 20 km North of Ljubljana.

By train Ljubljana is directly connected to Graz and Klagenfurt (Austria) to the north and Trieste (Italy) to the west. Ljubljana's main train station, simply called "Ljubljana", is within an easy walk to the city center. The web site of Slovenian Railways (Slovenske Železnice) displays train schedules, also in English: www.slo-zeleznice.si

Ljubljana **by car** informative distances to the biggest cities in the neighborhood:

- from Villach (Austria) E 651 (100 km)
- from Klagenfurt (Austria) E 652/E 61 (85 km)
- from Graz (Austria) via Maribor E 57/E 59 (195 km)
- from Trieste (Italy) E 61/E 70 (110 km)
- from Zagreb (Croatia) E 70 (120 km)
- from Budapest (Hungary) E 57/E 71 (430 km)

Slovenia travel info: AMZS / Slovene Automobile Association - Information on routes, distances, petrol prices, etc.

Emergency and Towing service phone: 1987 (24 hours 7 days a week service)

Regular telephone information: 5.30 am - 20.00 pm (+386 1 5305 353)

Website: www.amzs.si

EVENT SHUTTLE

Shuttle bus service will connect all the official hotels with "Hala Tivoli Ice Rink" and back starting on the first practice day on Wednesday September 21.

The shuttle will run in accordance with the schedule which will be distributed at the time of the registration.



REGISTRATION

The official accreditation for Teams is planned at **M Hotel Ljubljana** upon arrival.

Accreditation as a Team Member will be given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team Leader per participating team, one Coach per Competitor, a maximum of two Team Officials of ISU Members (including the Member President), provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation and a maximum of two medical persons. Accreditation will only be granted to persons in those various functions if officially entered and named through their National Association. **The ISU Member certifies with the signed entry form the indicated functions within the team of all team members. Any misuse of any function will be sanctioned by the ISU/OC.**

Accreditation will be given to appointed ISU Event Officials, ISU Office Holders and Guests.

Chaperons will not receive accreditation. The Team Leader may request "bus permits" for the official registered Chaperons to join the official shuttle bus system of the Organizing Committee.

PASSPORTS OF THE SKATERS MUST BE PRESENTED AT THE ACCREDITATION FOR VERIFICATION!!

The Accreditation / Organizing Office will be situated in the Lobby area, ground floor in M Hotel Ljubljana.

Operating hours:	Tuesday, Sept 20	10:00 am -	late night
	Wednesday, Sept 21	08:00 am -	22:00
	Thursday, Sept 22	09:00 am -	22:00
	Friday, Sept 23	09:00 am -	22:00
	Saturday, Sept 24	09:00 am -	22:00
	Sunday, Sept 25	09:00 am -	12:00 am

ANTI-DOPING CONTROL

The Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current ISU Anti-Doping Rules & Procedures (ISU Communications No. 1922 and 1941 or any further update of this Communication).

The tests will be taken from each first placed Skater/Couple. In case of a Couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man of the first placed Couple will be tested.

One Skater from the remainder of the Skaters shall be selected by random draw in Men, Ladies, Pairs and Ice Dance. In case of a Couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man will be tested.

SOCIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Team Leaders Meeting	Wednesday, Sept 21 at 10:00 am	Main Rink
Initial Starting Draws	Times in accordance with the schedule which will be distributed at the time of the registration.	Main Rink – Draw Room
Intermediate Draws	Approximately 15 min after the conclusion of respected Short Program / Dance	Main Rink – Draw Room
Referees' and TCs' Meeting	Wednesday, Sept 21 at 16:00	Main Rink
Judges' Draw and Meeting	Wednesday, Sept 21 at 17:00	Main Rink
Round Table Discussions	Times in accordance with the schedule which will be distributed at the time of the registration	Austria Trend Hotel



PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 20, 2016	All day	Arrival of teams
Wednesday, September 21, 2016	All day	Official practice
	10:00	Team Leaders Meeting
	TBA	Individual Technical Panel Meetings per Discipline
	16:00	Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting
	17:00	Judges Draw and Meeting
Thursday, September 22, 2016	14:30	LADIES – Short Program MEN – Short Program
Friday, September 23, 2016	15:30	ICE DANCE – Short Dance MEN – Free Skating Victory Ceremony MEN
Saturday, September 24, 2016	08:00	MEN – Technical Panel Review
	08:45	MEN – Round Table Discussion for Judges
	12:00	LADIES – Free Skating ICE DANCE – Free Dance
	17:30	LADIES - Technical Panel Review Victory Ceremonies ICE DANCE and LADIES
	20:50	LADIES – Round Table Discussion for Judges
	21:00	ICE DANCE - Technical Panel Review
	22:20	ICE DANCE – Round Table Discussion for Judges

Please note:

This schedule is subject to changes and will be updated in accordance with the final number of entries.



MEDICAL SERVICE

During practices and events a “red-cross” and medical service is on duty any time at the Main Ice Rink in “Hala Tivoli”.

ACCREDITATION / SECURITY INFORMATION

Accreditation passes are issued for identification and security purposes and should be worn at all times !!!

VARIOUS

Weather – average temperature during the month September is daily low 10°C, high 21°C

Electricity – the electric current is 220 V, the European two pin plugs are required

Banks – regular banking hours in Ljubljana from Monday to Friday are from 9:00 till 12:00 and from 15:00 till 17:00

Money exchange – official currency is EUR; foreign currencies can be exchanged at the airport, hotels, banks

Credit cards - all most frequent credit cards are accepted (Visa, American Express, MasterCard)

FURTHER INFORMATION

1) Please inform the Organizing Committee as soon as possible on:

- invitation letter if needed,
- additional practice time if needed

2) For any further information or queries please contact:

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