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Obituary - Igor Prokop (SVK)

It is with regret and sorrow that the ISU learned of the death of ISU Referee and ISU Technical Controller for the Single and Pair Skating disciplines, Mr. Igor Prokop passed away on June 15 aged 68 after battling a prolonged illness.

Born on March 27, 1954, Igor started his Skating career in Zilina, where his father was one of the founders of the local club. He retired early from competing and turned to judging, which became a life-long passion for him.

He was an ISU Judge and ISU Referee and when the ISU Judging System was introduced he became one of the first ISU Technical Controllers for Single and Pair Skating. Igor judged at three Olympic Winter Games, in Albertville 1992, in Vancouver 2010 and in Torino 2006 as well as at numerous ISU Championships and International Competitions. He was part of the organizing committee for the ISU European Figure Skating Championships in Bratislava in 2002 and 2016.

He served as an ISU Technical Controller for the Pairs event at the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2022, which turned out to be his last Event.

Igor Prokop was an IT specialist by profession and worked in the Slovak National Library until his retirement.

He will be remembered fondly by the Skating family as a high-level, committed Official and a kind person.

The ISU pays tribute to Mr. Igor Prokop and will remember him with affection.

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