

INTERNATIONAL SKATING UNION

Communication No. 1876

Decisions of the ISU Council

The ISU Council met on June 8 and 14, 2014 in Dublin, Ireland. The following were among the decisions taken by the Council during the meetings:

1. Full Membership Cyprus

During its meeting on June 8, 2014 the Council agreed based on the membership status information received, to grant full membership for the Figure Skating Branch to the Cyprus Skating Federation.

2. 56th Ordinary ISU Congress 2016 – Dubrovnik/Croatia

Based on the applications received, the ISU Council decided to hold the 56th Ordinary ISU Congress in Dubrovnik/Croatia on June 6-10, 2016, at the Dubrovnik Palace Hotel.

3. ISU Communications continued validity

As per the decision of the 2014 Congress Dublin, Ireland, Agenda item no. 13. b), and in line with Article 27, paragraph 3 of the ISU Constitution the following Communications have continued validity:

- No. 1265 - Cut Resistant Clothing in Short Track Speed Skating
- No. 1416 - TV Celebrity Figure Skating Programs
- No. 1419 - ISU Disciplinary Commission Rules of Procedure
- No. 1420 - Citizenship-Rule 109
- No. 1509 - Prize Money ISU Championships
- No. 1531 - ISU Development Program
- No. 1540 - Figure Skating - Use of papers/documents by Figure Skating Judges during competitions
- No. 1625 – Uniform/Racing Suits/Clothing
- No. 1629 – ISU World Standings for Single & Pair Skating & Ice Dance
- No. 1630 – ISU World Standings for Synchronized Skating
- No. 1631 – Single & Pair Skating-Ice Dance-Synchronized Skating – ISU Judging System – Evaluation of judging and technical content decisions, penalties
- No. 1693* – ISU Blood Screening Program
- No. 1694* – ISU Skater Biological Passport Program
- No. 1726 – Short Track Rinkboard Padding
- No. 1717 – ISU Code of Ethics
- No. 1760 – Single & Pair Skating, Ice Dance and Synchronized Skating – Guidelines for International Novice Competitions
- No. 1765– ISU Anti-Doping Rules

- No. 1767 – Decisions of the Council Prague: Point 8 – Allowed manufacturers trademarks, Rule 102/6
- No. 1776 – Guidelines for Short Track Speed Skating Regional Courses and Seminars for Officials
- No. 1784 – Decisions of the Council Milan: Point 3 – OWG - IOC Code of Ethics, Betting
- No. 1794 – Officials Remuneration for ISU Figure Skating Events
- No. 1797 – Decisions of the Council, Point 11 - Declaration for Competitors and Officials entering ISU Event (Rule 131)
- No. 1800 – ISU Anti-Doping Procedures for the ISU Anti-Doping Rules
- No. 1806 & 1823 – List of Officials Speed Skating and Short Track Speed Skating (*valid until issuing of new Communication in August 2014*)
- No. 1811 – Skaters' Participation in ISU Figure Skating Events – Application of Rules 125/5 & 136/6
- No. 1812 & 1822 – List of Officials Figure Skating - (*valid until issuing of new Communication in August 2014*)
- No. 1826 – Decision of the Council Paris, Point 6: International Competition of Ballet on Ice or Theatre on ice (see also ISU Communication No. 1842, Point 3)
- No. 1834 – International Adult Skating Competitions Figure Skating
- No. 1840 – Figure Skating – Frankfurt Seminar 2014
- No. 1842 - Decisions of the Council Milan, Point 3: International Competitions of Ballet on ice or Theatre on ice or other recreational ice skating competitions
- No. 1848 – Ice Dance – ISU Seminars 2014 for Referees and Judges hosted by Members
- No. 1851 – ISU Recognized Single & Pair Skating Judges Seminars 2014
- No. 1852 – Obligations of Members
- No. 1853 – Betting and Gambling in ISU Sports
- No. 1856 – Synchronized Skating – Well Balanced Program Content for the season 2014/15
- No. 1857 – Ice Dance Requirements for Technical Rules season 2014/15
- No. 1858 – ISU Challenger Series in Figure Skating
- No. 1859 – ISU Short Track Speed Skating Officials' Course Frankfurt
- No. 1860 – Ice Dance Requirements Technical Rules ongoing validity as of July1, 2014
- No. 1861 – Single & Pair Skating - Scale of Values, Levels of Difficulty and Guidelines for marking Grade of Execution
- No. 1865 – ISU Regional North / East European Ice Dance Development Training Seminar for Ice Dance Coaches and Novice Couples
- No. 1868 – Ice Dance Scales of Values, effective July 1st, 2014.

*The above mentioned list reflects the situation during the 2014 Congress. In the meantime some of the above mentioned Communications have been replaced, for example Communications 1693 and 1694 have been replaced by Communications 1871 ISU Blood Screening Program and 1872 ISU Haematological Module of the Skater Biological Passport Program (H-ABP). Also, other Communications might be replaced soon.

4. ISU World Cup Speed Skating 2014/15 Calendar

The Council has approved the ISU World Cup Speed Skating Calendar as follows:

November 14-16, 2014	Obihiro, Japan
November 21-23, 2014	Seoul, Rep. of Korea
December 5-7, 2014	Berlin, Germany
December 12-14, 2014	Heerenveen, Netherlands
January 31-February 1, 2015	Hamar, Norway
February 7-8, 2015	Heerenveen, Netherlands
March 21-22, 2015	Erfurt, Germany

5. ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating 2014/15 Calendar

The Council has approved the ISU Junior World Cup Speed Skating Calendar as follows:

November 22-23, 2014	Calgary, Canada
December 13-14, 2014	Minsk, Belarus
January 10-11, 2015	Changchun, China
January 17-18, 2015	Collalbo, Italy
February 14-15, 2015	Warsaw, Poland

6. ISU World Cup Short Track 2014/15 Calendar

The Council has approved the ISU World Cup Short Track Calendar as follows:

World Cup 1 November 7-9, 2014	Salt Lake City, USA
World Cup 2 November 14-16, 2014	Montreal, Canada
World 3 December 12-14, 2014	Shanghai, China
World Cup 4 December 19-21, 2014	Seoul, Rep. of Korea

World Cup 5 Europe
February 6-8, 2015 (pending)

World Cup 6 Europe
February 13-15, 2015 (pending)

7. ISU Challengers Series in Figure Skating – selection of International Competitions

Further to ISU Communication No. 1858 and the corresponding applications received the Council has selected the following 11 International Figure Skating Competitions for the ISU Challengers Series in Figure Skating:

U.S. International Figure Skating Classic

The United States Figure Skating Association to be held in Salt Lake City, USA on September 10-14, 2014.

Lombardia Trophy

Federazione Italiana Sport del Ghiaccio to be held in Sesto San Giovanni (Milan) on September 18-21, 2014.

Nebelhorn Trophy

Deutsche Eislauf Union e.V. to be held in Oberstdorf, Germany on 24-27 September, 2014.

Ondrej Nepela Memorial

Slovak Figure Skating Association to be held in Bratislava, Slovak Republic on October 1-5, 2014.

Finlandia Trophy

Suomen Taitoluisteliitto to be held in Espoo, Finland on October 10-12, 2014.

Autumn Classic International

Skate Canada to be held in Barrie, Canada on October 14-17, 2014.

Volvo Open Cup

The Latvian Skating Association to be held in Riga, Latvia on November 5-9, 2014.

Triglav Trophy

Slovene Skating Union to be held in Jesenice, Slovenia on 6-9 November, 2014.

Ice Challenge

Österreichischer Eiskunstlauf Verband to be held in Graz, Austria on November 13-16, 2014.

Warsaw Cup

Polish Figure Skating Association to be held in Warsaw, Poland on November 20-23, 2014.

Golden Spin of Zagreb
Croatian Skating Federation to be held in Zagreb, Croatia on December 4-7, 2014.

8. Definite Allotment of 2015 ISU Championships

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations, the Council has definitely allotted the Championships for 2015 as follows:

ISU European Speed Skating Championships
Russian Skating Union to be held in Chelyabinsk, Russia on January 10-11, 2015.

ISU World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships
Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond to be held in Heerenveen, the Netherlands on February 12-15, 2015.

ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships
Polish Speed Skating Association to be held in Warsaw, Poland on February 20-22, 2015.

ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships
National Skating Association of the Republic of Kazakhstan to be held in Astana, Kazakhstan on February 28-March 1, 2015.

ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships
Speed Skating Canada to be held in Calgary, Canada on March 7-8, 2015.

Short Track Speed Skating

ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond to be held in Dordrecht, the Netherlands on January 23-25, 2015.

ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Japan Skating Federation to be held in Osaka, Japan on February 27-March 1, 2015.

ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Russian Skating Union to be held in Moscow, Russia on March 13-15, 2015.

Single & Pair Skating/Ice Dance

ISU European Figure Skating Championships
Swedish Figure Skating Association to be held in Stockholm, Sweden on January 26- February 1, 2015.

ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships
Korea Skating Union to be held in Seoul, Republic of Korea on February 9-15, 2015, (exact venue still to be decided).

ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships
The Estonian Skating Union to be held in Tallinn, Estonia on March 2-8, 2015

ISU World Figure Skating Championships
Chinese Skating Association to be held in Shanghai, China on March 23-29, 2015.

Synchronized Skating

ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships
Croatian Skating Federation, to be held in Zagreb on March 13-14, 2015

ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships
Skate Canada, to be held in Hamilton on April 10-11, 2015

9. Provisional Allotments 2016 ISU Championships

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations the Council has maintained the previous provisional allotments as follows:

Speed Skating

ISU European Speed Skating Championships
Skating Union of Belarus to be held in Minsk, Belarus on January 8-10, 2016.

ISU World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships
Russian Skating Union to be held in Kolomna, Russia on February 11-14, 2016.

ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships
Korea Skating Union to be held in Seoul, Rep. of Korea on February 27-28, 2016.

ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships
Deutsche Eisschnelllauf-Gemeinschaft to be held in Berlin, Germany on March 5-6, 2016.

ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships
Chinese Skating Association to be held in Changchun, China on March 11-13, 2016.

Short Track Speed Skating

ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Russian Skating Union to be held in Moscow, Russia on January 22-24, 2016.

ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Bulgaria Skating Federation to be held in Sofia, Bulgaria on February 5-7, 2016.

ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Korea Skating Union to be held in Seoul, Rep. of Korea on March 11-13, 2016.

Single & Pair Skating/Ice Dance

ISU European Figure Skating Championships
Slovak Figure Skating Association, to be held in Bratislava, Slovak Republic on January 25-31, 2016

ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships
Chinese Taipei Skating Union to be held in Taipei City, Taipei on February 9-14, 2016

ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships
Hungarian National Skating Federation to be held in Debrecen, Hungary on March 14-20, 2016

ISU World Figure Skating Championships
United States Figure Skating Association to be held in Boston, USA on March 28- April 3, 2016

Synchronized Skating:

ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships (April 8-9, 2016): pending

10. New Provisional Allotments 2017 Championships

In accordance with Rule 127 of the ISU Regulations, the Council has provisionally allotted the following 2017 Championships:

Speed Skating

ISU European Speed Skating Championships
Polish Speed Skating Association to be held in Warsaw, Poland on January 6-8, 2017.

ISU World Single Distances Speed Skating Championships
Korea Skating Union to be held in Gangneung, Rep. of Korea on February 9-12, 2017.

ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships (February 17-19, 2017): pending

ISU World Sprint Speed Skating Championships
Speed Skating Canada to be held in Calgary, Canada on February 25-26, 2017.

ISU World Allround Speed Skating Championships
Norges Skøyteforbund to be held in Hamar, Norway on March 4-5, 2017.

Short Track Speed Skating

ISU European Short Track Speed Skating Championships (January 20-22, 2017): pending

ISU World Junior Short Track Speed Skating Championships (February 3-5, 2017): pending

ISU World Short Track Speed Skating Championships
Koninklijke Nederlandsche Schaatsenrijders Bond to be held in Rotterdam, Netherlands on March 10-12, 2017.

Single & Pair Skating

ISU European Figure Skating Championships
Czech Figure Skating Association to be held in Ostrava, Czech Republic on January 25-29, 2017

ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships
Korea Skating Union to be held in Gangneung, Rep. of Korea on February 22-26, 2017.

ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships
Chinese Taipei Skating Union to be held in Taipei City, Chinese Taipei on March 15-19, 2017

ISU World Figure Skating Championships
Suomen Taitoluistelu liitto to be held in Helsinki, Finland on March 29- April 2, 2017

Synchronized Skating

ISU World Junior Synchronized Skating Championships
Skate Canada to be held in Mississauga, Canada on March 10-11, 2017

ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships
The United States Figure Skating Association to be held in Colorado Springs, USA on April 7-8, 2017

11. ISU Figure Skating Championships – Minimum Total Technical Scores season 2014/15

Taking into account the expected number of entries into the Short Program/Short Dance at the ISU Figure Skating Championships for the season 2014/15 and the related time schedule, the reasonable maximum officiating time for the Officials, limits in the number of participants and related workload an Organizing Committee can be expected to handle physically and financially as well as implications with commercial partners, the Council concluded that the Minimum Total Technical Scores as per the 2014 Special Regulations, Rule 378, paragraph 3 must be adjusted for all ISU Figure Skating Championships in order to reduce the number of entries to the appropriate level.

ISU European and
ISU Four Continents Figure
Skating Championships 2015:

	Short Program Short Dance	Free Skating Free Dance
MEN	25.00	45.00
LADIES	20.00	36.00
PAIR SKATING	20.00	36.00
ICE DANCE	19.00	29.00

ISU World Figure Skating
Championships 2015:

MEN	34.00	64.00
LADIES	27.00	47.00
PAIR SKATING	25.00	43.00
ICE DANCE	29.00	39.00

	Short Program Short Dance	Free Skating Free Dance
ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships 2015:		
MEN	20.00	42.00
LADIES	20.00	35.00
PAIR SKATING	20.00	30.00
ICE DANCE	18.00	28.00

The required minimum Total Technical Score for the Short Program/Short Dance and the Free Skating/Free Dance segment to participate in the ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships can only be obtained in registered International *Junior* Competitions/Championships.

The Minimum Total Technical Score (not including Component Scores) is a Technical Score and must have been reached in an ISU recognized International Competition (as per Article 38, paragraph 7 of the ISU Constitution and Rule 107, paragraphs 1 to 9 of the ISU General Regulations) during the ongoing or immediately preceding season in both segments, Short Program/Short Dance and Free Skating/Free Dance (See ISU Special Regulations Single & Pair Skating Ice Dance 2014, Rule 378, paragraph 3).

While the Minimum Total Technical Score must be reached separately in each segment (not a total of the two segments), the Minimum Total Technical Score for each segment may be reached at different competitions.

The Council also decided that the Minimum Technical Score must be reached **21** (twenty-one) days before the first day (first official practice day) of the Championships concerned (same as entry deadline).

The Council agreed that if it became evident that the number of entries based on the Minimum Total Technical Scores listed above would be significantly higher or lower than expected, the ISU Council reserves the right to subsequently slightly re-adjust the Minimum Total Technical Scores in order to achieve the above-mentioned objective.

12. Judges Draw – ISU Figure Skating Championships 2015

The annual Judges Draw for the 2015 Figure Skating Championships shall be held on October 16, 2014 in Geneva, Switzerland.

13. Recognition of new World Records Speed Skating

The Council homologated the following World Records:

Men Team Pursuit

3.37,17	Netherlands (J. Blokhuijsen, S. Kramer, K. Verweij)	NED	Calgary, 09.11.2013
3.35,60	Netherlands (J. Blokhuijsen, S. Kramer, K. Verweij)	NED	Salt Lake City, 16.11.2013

Ladies 500 meters

36,74	Sang-Hwa Lee	KOR	Calgary, 09.11.2013
36,57	Sang-Hwa Lee	KOR	Salt Lake City, 15.11.2013
36,36	Sang-Hwa Lee	KOR	Salt Lake City, 16.11.2013

Ladies 2x500 meters

74,19	Heather Richardson (37,10 – 37,09)	USA	Salt Lake City, 28.12.2013
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Ladies 1000 meters

1.12,58	Brittany Bowe	USA	Salt Lake City, 17.11.2013
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Junior Ladies 1000 meters

1.15,18	Hyun-Yung Kim	KOR	Calgary, 10.11.2013
1.14,95	Hyun-Yung Kim	KOR	Salt Lake City, 17.11.2013

Junior Ladies 3000 meters

4.00,56	Antoinette de Jong	NED	Calgary, 08.11.2013
3.59,49	Antoinette de Jong	NED	Salt Lake City, 15.11.2013

14. Recognition of new World Records Short Track Speed Skating

The Council homologated the following World Records:

Ladies 3000 meters Relay

4.06,215 Republic of Korea KOR Kolomna, 17.11.2013
(Seung-Hi Park, Alang Kim, Suk Hee Shim, Ha-Ri Cho,)

Junior Men 500 meters

41,027 Denis Nikisha KAZ Erzurum, 08.03.2014

Junior Ladies 500 meters

43,704 Sofia Prosvirnova RUS Erzurum, 08.03.2014

Junior Ladies 1000 meters

1.30,166 Do Hee Noh KOR Erzurum, 09.03.2014

15. Summary of Figure Skating Officials Evaluation 2013/14

During the 2013/14 season the Assessments (warnings) were determined jointly by the assigned Officials Assessment Commission members and by the Technical Committees. The Council reviewed and ratified the following Assessments:

a) Single and Pair Skating:

Assessment 1:	19	Assessments
Assessment 2:	4	Assessments
Total season 2013/14:	23	Assessments
Out of which	13	concerning Program Components
	8	concerning Technical Elements
	1	concerning both Program Components and Technical Elements
	1	concerning non presence at IJM

Previous Seasons Assessments:

Total season 2012/13:	12	Assessments
Total season 2011/12:	17	Assessments
Total season 2010/11:	14	Assessments
Total season 2009/10:	24	Assessments
Total season 2008/09:	16	Assessments
Total season 2007/08:	12	Assessments

Total season 2006/07:	13	Assessments
Total season 2005/06:	29	Assessments
Total season 2004/05**:	42	Assessments
Total season 2003/04**:	20	Assessments
Total season 2002/03*:	11	Assessments

b) Ice Dance:

Assessment 1:	5	Assessments
Assessment 2:	5	Assessments

Total season 2013/14:	10	Assessments
Out of which	3	concerning Program Components
	7	concerning Technical Elements

Previous Seasons Assessments:

Total season 2012/13:	8	Assessments
Total season 2011/12:	27	Assessments
Total season 2010/11:	13	Assessments
Total season 2009/10:	17	Assessments
Total season 2008/09:	11	Assessments
Total season 2007/08:	21	Assessments
Total season 2006/07:	20	Assessments
Total season 2005/06:	25	Assessments
Total season 2004/05**:	56	Assessments
Total season 2003/04**:	9	Assessments
Total season 2002/03*:	4	Assessments

c) Synchronized Skating:

Total season 2013/14:	-	0 Assessments
Out of which	-	concerning Technical Elements
	-	concerning Program Components

Previous Seasons Assessments:

Total season 2012/13:	0	Assessments
Total season 2011/12:	3	Assessments
Total season 2010/11:	5	Assessments
Total season 2009/10:	2	Assessments
Total season 2008/09:	2	Assessments
Total season 2007/08:	3	Assessments
Total season 2006/07:	1	Assessments
Total season 2005/06:	0	Assessments

Total season 2004/05**:	0	Assessments
Total season 2003/04**:	1	Assessments
Total season 2002/03*:	2	Assessments

* = Assessments based on the previous 6.0 based Judging System.

** = Assessments based on partly the ISU Judging System, partly the previous 6.0 based Judging System.

The concerned Officials have been notified about the Assessments by letter and through their Members.

16. Rule 131, Declaration Form

Based on the 2014 Congress decision as per Agenda item No. 100 (See Congress Agenda as per ISU Communication No. 1863), the Council adapted the Declaration Form accordingly. An updated form is available on the ISU Website, click [here](#)

17. Appointment of a Coach to the Ice Dance Technical Committee (IDTC)

The Council decided to appoint Mr. Maurizio Margaglio (ITA) as appointed Coach to the IDTC. Mr. Margaglio replaces Mr. John Dunn.

18. Medical Commission

The Council noted the resignation of a Medical Commission member, Dr. David Mitchell as of the end of the season 2013/14. The Council expressed appreciation and thanks to Dr. Mitchell for his over 26 years of loyal and dedicated service to the ISU.

19. ISU Council meeting

The Council agreed to meet again on October 16-19, 2014 in Geneva, Switzerland and on March 23-24, 2015 in Shanghai, China.

Milan,
June 25, 2014
Lausanne,

Ottavio Cinquanta, President

Fredi Schmid, Director General