

Synchronized Skating Development Training Seminar for Novice and Junior Age Skaters and their Coaches

The ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, with the support of the ISU Development Program is organizing an International Synchronized Skating Development Training Seminar for Coaches and Team Participants of Novice and Junior age and level in:

Bangkok, Thailand, April 19 - 21, 2024

The aim of the Seminar is the development of Synchronized Skating Coaches and the members of their Teams to a higher technical level and the introduction of Synchronized Skating to countries in Asia and Oceania. World-class Coaches will moderate the on-ice Seminar. Daily off-ice classes will include theory, GOE, Program Components and IJS requirements, music lectures, physical education/fitness, ballet, movement to music lectures. For a more personal learning effect, the experts will be available for one-to-one contact with participating Coaches.

The Seminar is designed for Novice Advanced and Junior aged participants of a Team with the following age requirements:

A member of a Team is eligible for participation if the Skaters have reached the age of 10 but not the age of 19 by July 1 preceding the Seminar, which corresponds to the ISU Novice and Junior age restrictions.

Accepted participants should arrange to arrive at Bangkok airport on April 18. The opening of the Seminar will be on April 18 at 19:00 (7pm). The seminar will end on April 21 at 17:00.

The Professional Team for the Seminar:

Head Coach:	Ms. Cathy Dalton (SySTC appointed coach)
Coach/Moderator:	Mr. Andrea Gilardi (ITA)
GOE, PCs, IJS:	Mr. Philippe Maitrot (SySTC chair)
Physical Training:	To be confirmed
Ballet/Modern Dance:	To be confirmed
Local Coordinator:	Mr. Karn Luanpreda (THA)

Language:

The Seminar will be conducted in English.

General

Entry and Participation criteria and conditions

- a) In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar the ISU will limit the capacity to **48 Skaters**.
- b) A waiting list will be created for those Teams which cannot be accepted in the first instance in order to offer the opportunity for participation, should cancellations occur. ISU Members are requested to be considerate with the timing of cancellations in order to give other athletes the chance to participate.
- c) Each ISU Member may enter more than one 'Team' of **4 Skaters plus 1 Coach** to the Seminar. In the case of too many entries, the ISU will reduce the number using primarily the age criteria and/or the region as a limitation.
- d) In addition, the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee will check the list of entries and accept only participants (Skaters and/or Coaches) for which it sees a possibility of future development.
- e) For already existing Teams, only legitimate members and Coaches of the Team are to be entered.
- f) ISU Members that are new to Synchronized Skating are welcome to send a Coach and 4 Skaters who are not yet a Team, but who are interested in becoming one.
- g) As this Seminar is organized to provide help and offer a quality learning experience to Coaches and their Skaters, sending a 'non-skating' person as a Coach is not appropriate.
- h) The Seminar is also open to Coaches wishing to attend without Skaters, at their own expense. Details will be provided to the individuals concerned upon application.
- i) Participating Teams are expected to arrive physically fit.
- j) Accepted participants (Coaches and Skaters) must participate from the beginning to the end of the Seminar unless they receive permission to do otherwise prior to acceptance.
- k) Skaters must participate together with their announced Coaches. Should an announced Coach unexpectedly be unable to attend, subject to receiving permission from the Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee, the participating Skaters must be accompanied by a responsible chaperone for the whole duration of the Seminar.
- l) All participants must have Medical Insurance and have their valid Insurance Card with them to attend the Seminar.

Expenses

The financial responsibility for the Seminar is as follows:

- a) The living expenses (room) for the accepted **4 Skaters and 1 Coach per ISU Member** will be borne by the project for the period from

the evening of Thursday, April 18, to the morning of Monday, April 22, 2024

Dinner on the evening of Thursday April 18 will be at the expense of the participants, but other meals until breakfast of Monday April 22 will be borne by the project.

- b) ISU Members will be responsible for travel expenses to and from Bangkok airport for all participating Coaches and Skaters and for local transfers between the airport and the hotel.
- c) ISU Members shall also be responsible for the living expenses for Coaches attending without participating Skaters.
- d) There will be a Symbolic Participation Fee of USD 300 per accepted and participating Team (4 Skaters and 1 Coach). This Symbolic Participation Fee is to be paid directly to the organizers on arrival in Bangkok.

- e) Cancellation policy:
No cancellations can be accepted after the following deadline:

Cancellation deadline: April 1, 2024

The organizers will invoice to the concerned ISU Members the related cancellation fees/costs representing 80% of the Hotel rate of the concerned person(s).

Applications

Applications must be received from the respective ISU Member in order to be considered.

ISU Members are requested to clearly indicate their priority of acceptance when applying.

Please complete and send the Application forms by March 4, 2024 to

Ms. Becky Cairns, ISU Secretariat, (development@isu.ch), Mr. Philippe Maitrot, Chair of the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee (philippe.maitrot@isu.org), and Mr. Karn Luanpreda, Local organizer at the Figure and Speed Skating Association of Thailand (karn.luanpreda@isu.org).

ISU Members will be notified of the acceptance of their application, together with other details, as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.