

**October 28, 2021**

**Obituary - Heinrich Beck (GER)**

It is with regret and sorrow that the ISU learned of the death of Mr. Heinrich (Heini) Beck, former ISU Starter for Speed Skating and long-time member of the DEC Inzell Speed Skating club, affiliated to ISU Member federation, Deutsche Eisschnelllauf - und Shorttrack - Gemeinschaft e.V.

Mr. Beck showed his passion for and dedication to the Speed Skating Sport for many decades. He started in the 1970s as a member of the DEC Inzell Speed Skating club, organizing various school sports programs such as the annual ice skating days and the Bavarian School Championships.

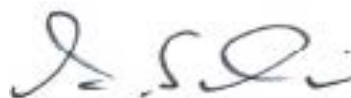
Mr. Beck served as a Starter at four Olympic Winter Games between 1984 and 1998, and at numerous ISU Speed Skating Events such as World Championships, European Championships and Speed Skating World Cups. During this period, he also helped to organize and acted as a moderator at several ISU Starters courses. He remained active as a Speed Skating Starter after he had finished his career as an ISU Official.

Heinrich Beck will be missed by the Speed Skating community in Germany and around the world, and we would like to extend our most sincere condolences to the DEC Inzell Speed Skating club, Deutsche Eisschnelllauf - und Shorttrack - Gemeinschaft e.V., and to Mr. Beck's family, who are in our thoughts in these difficult moments.

With deepest sympathy,

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Jan Dijkema  
President

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Fredi Schmid  
Director General