

Communication No. 2431

Decisions of the Council

The ISU Council met on October 1-2, 2021 in Geneva, Switzerland. The following were among the decisions taken by the Council during the meeting.

1. ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships 2022

The ISU was informed by the Chinese Figure Skating Association (CFSA) of the cancellation of the ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships, that was scheduled to take place from January 17 – 22, 2022 in Tianjin (CHN). The Council subsequently invited ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Members to send applications to host this Championships. No applications were received.

After consultation with the Estonian Skating Union, the Council decided to hold the Championships during the week following the ISU European Figure Skating Championships in the same venue. The Council therefore provisionally realotted the Championships as follows:

ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships to be held in Tallinn, Estonia tentatively on January 18-23, 2022.

The definite allotment will be confirmed as soon as possible once all logistical and financial details have been agreed upon with the Estonian Skating Union.

2. Updated Guidelines for ISU Events during the Covid-19 Pandemic

The Council agreed on updated Sport Specific Annexes - Speed Skating and Short Track to the General Guidelines for ISU Events during the Covid-19 Pandemic ([link here](#) for Speed Skating, [link here](#) for Short Track).

3. ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final 2021/22 – Qualification Criteria

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic related travel and entry restrictions, the ISU Council had decided not to apply the usual ISU Junior Grand Prix ranking system as basis for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final qualification system (please refer to ISU Communication 2418).

The Council decided on the following qualification criteria for the ISU Junior Grand Prix Final 2021/2022.

A. Junior Men and Junior Women

- i) The 7 winners of each individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Event will qualify for the Final.
- ii) Should there only be 6 different individual winners out of the 7 individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events because a Skater has won 2 ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events, the 6 different individual winners will qualify for the Final.

- iii) Should there be fewer than 6 different individual winners out of the 7 individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events because more Skaters have won 2 JGP Events, all the different individual winners will qualify for the Final. In addition, the best 2nd placed Skater(s), 3rd placed Skater(s) and so forth by total score, who are not yet qualified as a winner, would be invited to the Final to reach the number of 6 entries.
- iv) Japan as the host Member will be granted 1 Wild Card Entry for Men and for Women.

B. Junior Pairs

- i) The 4 winners of each individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Event will qualify for the Final.
- ii) Should there be fewer than 4 different individual winners out of the 4 individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events because a Pair has won 2 JGP Events, all the different individual winners will qualify for the Final. In addition, the best 2nd placed Pairs(s), 3rd placed Pairs(s) and so forth by total score, who are not yet qualified as a winner, would be invited to the Final to reach the number of 4 entries.

C. Junior Ice Dance

- i) The 7 winners of each individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating event will qualify for the Final.
- ii) Should there only be 6 different individual winners out of the 7 individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events because a Couple has won 2 JGP Events, the 6 different individual winners will qualify for the Final.
- iii) Should there be fewer than 6 different individual winners out of the 7 individual ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Events because more Couples have won 2 JGP Events, all the different individual winners will qualify for the Final. In addition, the best 2nd placed Couple(s), 3rd placed Couples(s) and so forth by total score, who are not yet qualified as a winner, would be invited to the Final to reach the number of 6 entries.

D. Substitutes (applicable for all Disciplines)

The 3 best 2nd placed Skater(s)/Couple(s), 3rd placed Skater(s)/Couples(s) and so forth by total score, who are not yet qualified in accordance with the above, will be substitutes for the Final.

Substitution of Skaters will only come into force if the minimum number of entries of 6 Men (not counting the Wild Card), 6 Women (not counting the Wild Card), 4 Pairs and 6 Ice Dance Couples cannot be reached with the qualified Skaters.

5. ISU Junior Grand Prix Season 2022/23

The Council approved the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating Calendar for the season 2022/23 as follows:

August 24-27, 2022	Courchevel / FRA
August 31-September 3, 2022	Ostrava / CZE (including Pair Skating)
September 7-10, 2022	Riga / LAT (including Pair Skating)
September 21-24, 2022	Yerevan / ARM
September 28 - October 1, 2022	Zagreb / CRO (including Pair Skating)
October 5-8, 2022	Gdansk / POL (including Pair Skating)
October 12-15, 2022	Egna-Neumarkt / ITA

6. ISU Grand Prix Final Season 2022/23

ISU Members are invited to make applications to host the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final for the season 2022/23 to be held on December 8-11, 2022. ISU Members interested in applying to host this ISU Event are requested to contact the ISU Secretariat, Ms. Patricia Mayor (mayor@isu.ch) and they will be provided with the necessary details and application forms. Applications shall be received by November 15, 2021.

7. ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final Season 2023/24

The Council approved the ISU Grand Prix of Figure Skating Final for the season 2023/24 to be held in Orléans, France on December 7-10, 2023.

8. Next Council meeting

The Council will meet next in person on April 1-2, 2022 in Geneva, Switzerland. Additional online meetings may be arranged in the meantime, the dates of which remain to be decided.

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October 4, 2021
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