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**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING  
COMPETITION****BALKAN GAMES**

**Celje, Slovenia / March 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014**

Slovene Skating Union has the honour to invite your team to participate at the Balkan Games Short Track Speed Skating competition which will be held from March 1<sup>st</sup> until March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 in Celje, Slovenia.

The competition is opened to skaters from registered ISU member countries from the Balkan area including **Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia and Turkey.**

**COMPETITION VENUE**

The competitions will be carried out at the Celje indoor ice rink with ice surface measuring 30x60 meters. A standard track of 111.12 m per lap with a radius of 8.50 m will be marked with seven track markers per curve. In addition to the original track there will be four extra tracks set up one meter apart to preserve good ice conditions. One finish line will be used for all tracks over all distances. For the safety of the skaters a padding system will cover the entire length of the boards.

**GENERAL RULES**

The competition will be carried out in respect to the official ISU rules and according to the **All-Final System** (individual races).

## AGE GROUPS and DISTANCES

Categories	Ages	Date of birth	Individual Distances			Relay Ladies	Relay Men
<b>Senior Ladies / Men</b>	19 or older	before 30.6.1994	1500 m	500 m	1000 m	3000 m (4 skaters)	3000 m (4 skaters)
<b>Junior A Ladies / Men</b>	17 - 18	1.7.1994 - 30.6.1996	1500 m	500 m	1000 m		
<b>Junior B Ladies / Men</b>	15 - 16	1.7.1996 - 30.6.1998	1500 m	500 m	1000 m		
<b>Junior C Ladies / Men</b>	13 - 14	1.7.1998 - 30.6.2000	1500 m	500 m	1000 m	2000 m (3 skaters)	2000 m (3 skaters)
<b>Novice A Girls / Boys</b>	10 - 12	1.7.2000 - 30.6.2003	1000 m	500 m	777 m		

\*The Organizing Committee reserves the right to combine age groups depending on the number of final entries per group. All relay teams must be entered no later than by the Final entry form due date and must include skaters from the same member country. The organizing committee reserves the right to change the programme and any aspects of the competition due to unforeseen circumstances.

## PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Friday, February 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2014	Team Leaders' Meeting	7pm
Saturday, March 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2014	Warm up Competition	8 - 9 am 9 am - 6 pm
Sunday, March 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 2014	Warm up Competition Award Ceremony	8 - 9 am 9 am - 6 pm 6 pm

\*The final programme will be modified based on the final entries.

## ENTRIES

Each ISU Member has the right to enter a maximum of 4 skaters per individual category and one relay team with 4 skaters per category. The skaters entered in the relay must be the same skaters participating in the individual events.

**ENTRY FEE: 15 EUR/skater**

## DEADLINES

**Preliminary Entry forms** must be submitted to the Organizing committee by **January 31<sup>st</sup>**, 2014 by sending/faxing the official Preliminary form (enclosed) to **ivan.pfeifer@celje.si** or fax **+386 3 4282 668**.

**Final entries** must be submitted by **February 24<sup>th</sup>**, 2014 via the [www.shorttracklive.info](http://www.shorttracklive.info) website. Please send a copy (Final entry form enclosed) to **ivan.pfeifer@celje.si** (fax +386 3 4282 668).

## ACCOMMODATION

The expenses for accommodation and meals are at the sole responsibility of the participating teams. Reservations must be made by filling out the entry form. All expenses must be paid to the Organizing Committee at the Team leaders' meeting. Lunch will be served at the ice rink and dinner at the hotel.

### **HOTEL ŠTORMAN \*\*\* (officials, skaters, coaches and team leaders)**

Mariborska c. 3, 3000 Celje / 800 m from the ice rink / [www.storman.si](http://www.storman.si)

Single Room (full board): 60 € / day / person

Double Room (full board): 55 € / day / person

## TRANSPORTATION

Please let us know as soon as possible, if you plan to arrive by airplane to make all the necessary land transportation arrangements for your team - subject to additional cost.

## AWARDS

The first three-placed competitors in the overall ranking will receive medals accordingly. The skaters of the first three-placed relay teams of each category will be awarded with medals respectively.

## LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, the Organizing Committee assumes no responsibility with respect to medical, bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage sustained or caused in connection with this competition. It is the sole responsibility of each Member, on behalf of its participating clubs, to ensure or provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes.

## SKATES AND EQUIPMENT

All equipment must be in line with the ISU rules. The use of compulsory safety equipment and proper rounding of the blades will be strictly monitored.

## ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

ISU Member: SLOVENE SKATING UNION - Short Track Speed Skating  
Event supervisor: Mr. Ivan Pfeifer (ivan.pfeifer@celje.si)  
Event manager: Ms. Polona Peunik (polona.peunik@gmail.com)

Competitor stewards: Mr. Hermann Filipic  
Mr. Aleš Gabriel

General sponsor of the competition:



Solar company!

**We look forward to welcoming you and your team in Celje!**

Celje, 2.1.2014

on behalf of Slovene Skating Union:

**Mr. Ivan Pfeifer**

# PRELIMINARY ENTRY FORM

BALKAN GAMES / Celje, March 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

**Must be submitted by January 31<sup>st</sup>!**

ISU Member:	
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Number of Officials:				
Number of Coaches:				
Number of Skaters	Ladies:		Men:	

Relay	Ladies:	Yes / No	Category:	
	Men:	Yes / No	Category:	

Planned arrival date:	
Planned departure date:	

Contact person:	
Function:	
Email:	
Mobile:	

Place:	
Date:	

**Preliminary Entry form** must be submitted to the Organizing committee by **January 31<sup>st</sup>**, 2014 by email or fax to **ivan.pfeifer@celje.si** or fax **+386 3 4282 668**.

# FINAL ENTRY FORM

BALKAN GAMES / Celje, March 1<sup>st</sup> - 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014

**Must be submitted by February 24<sup>th</sup>!**

ISU Member:	
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	Name of skater	Date of birth	Category	Sex	Relay (yes/no)
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2					
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	Name of official	Function
1		
2		
3		

4		
5		

<b>Arrival date:</b>	
<b>Departure date:</b>	

<b>Number of single rooms:</b>	
<b>Number of double rooms:</b>	

<b>Contact person:</b>	
<b>Function:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Mobile:</b>	

<b>Place:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

**Final entries** must be submitted online by **February 24<sup>th</sup>**, 2014 via the [www.shorttracklive.info](http://www.shorttracklive.info) website. Please also send a copy of the Final entry form to **ivan.pfeifer@celje.si** (fax +386 3 4282 668).