

MEMORANDUM



General Information for ISU Members organizing events of **DANUBIA OPEN SERIES 2015/16** in Short Track Speed Skating Qualifying series to Junior Europa Cup Final 2016

1. Danubia Open Junior Competition Series

The competitions will be held in Austria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania and Slovakia, as follows:

Sept	25	-	27	Graz	AUT	Danubia 1	Austrian Open	N+C	Jun A - Jun B
Oct	23	-	25	Miercurea Ciuc	ROU	Danubia 2	Romanian Open	N+C	Jun C - Jun D, L/M
Nov	20	-	22	Sofia	BUL	Danubia 3	Bulgarian Open	N+C	Jun C - Jun D, L/M
Dec	18	-	20	Spisska Nova Ves	SVK	Danubia 4	Slovak Open	N+C	Jun A - Jun B
Jan	15	-	17	Sanok	POL	Danubia 5	Sanok Open	N+C	Jun C - Jun D, L/M
Feb	26	-	28	Ventspils	LAT	Danubia 6	Latvian Open	N+C	Jun A - Jun B

An All-Final System will be used in all Danubia Series Competitions to guarantee equal qualifying conditions for the Junior Europa Cup Final for skaters from both Regions.

Organizers of these competitions are required to follow the conditions set in the Memorandums, which were confirmed, by the ISU Development Program and the ST SS Technical Committee.

2. Conditions of contest

- a) All competitions will be carried out according to the 2014 ISU Regulations
- b) All Qualifying competitions, i.e. Danubia Series and StarClass competitions shall be open to all ISU Members. Qualification is only possible through one of the series. Only athletes who are eligible to represent a European Member in the respective region can qualify for the final. (see Appendix 1)
- c) The competitions will have an overall character.

- d) Final points will be awarded only in Final "A".
- e) Expenses may be paid to skaters and Officials in accordance with the Memorandum (see Appendix 2)
- f) To ensure equal conditions for each competition in the Series, the Organizers agreed to use the FinishLynx system for timing and the "Pro Short Track" racing software for conducting the events.
- g) Results will be published on www.ShortTrackLive.info, the official web site for the Eastern Region, and on www.ShortTrackOnline.info (the official website for the Western Region).
- h) Doping tests may be carried out for the "Senior", Junior "A" and Junior "B" age groups at any competition in accordance with ISU Rule 139 and the valid ISU Doping Communication.

3. Distances:

<u>Individual:</u>	<u>Ladies/Men</u>			<u>Relays Ladies / Men</u>
Senior*	1500m	500m	1000m	Senior and Junior "A"+"B" 3000m (4 skaters)
Junior "A"	1500m	500m	1000m	
Junior "B"	1500m	500m	1000m	
Junior "C"	1500m	500m	1000m	Jun "C" and Jun "D" 2000m (3skaters)
Junior "D"	1000m	500m	777m	

* The Danubia series competitions will not be open to the Senior (S) category.

4. Entries

- a) Individual entries: each ISU Member has the right to enter skaters according to ISU Regulations (Rule 109). Clubs may only enter skaters through their respective Member federations.

<u>Individual:</u>	<u>DOB</u>			<u>Age</u>
Ladies/Men		-	June 30, 1996	age 19 -
Junior „A"	July 1, 1996	-	June 30, 1998	age 17-18
Junior „B"	July 1, 1998	-	June 30, 2000	age 15-16
Junior „C"	July 1, 2000	-	June 30, 2002	age 13-14
Junior „D"	July 1, 2002	-	June 30, 2004	age 11-12

- b) Entries shall be communicated to the Organizing Committee at the latest on the thirty (30) day before the first day of the competition and must contain:

- The title of the competition;
 - The name of the Club and ISU Member making the entry;
 - The number of athletes in each category;
 - The number of coaches and team leaders;
 - A financial statement by the respective Club/ISU Member that all costs occurred will be covered,
 - the participating Members or Clubs have to pay in advance 21 days before the first day of the competition the cost of the first night in the official hotel and the entree-base the of the proforma -invoice issued by the Organizing Committee,
 - NO payback guarantee.
- c) Final entries shall be communicated to the Organizing Committee at the latest on the fifth (5) day before the first day of the competition and can only be made electronically through the www.shorttracklive.info website and must clearly state:
- The given name (first) and surname of the competitor;
 - Date of birth of each competitor;
 - Data requested for seeding purposes;
 - The date and time of arrival and departure of competitors and those accompanying them;
 - A financial statement by the respective Club/ISU Member that all costs occurred will be covered.
- d) Skaters will only be able to compete in the age category based on their birth date or one age category higher as determined in the announcement. The skaters must compete in the same age category throughout the whole season.
- e) Relay entries: each Club and/or the respective ISU Member have the right to enter one relay team per category.
- f) Skaters who are entered in the relay event must also participate in the individual events.
- g) ENTRY FEE: EUR 15,- p.p. / Competition.

5. Drawing and progression

For the first qualifying event of the season, the make-up of the first rounds of all distances shall be by random. From 2nd event on, the make-up of the races will be based on the Overall Ranking of the Danubia Open Series.

Progression to subsequent qualifying rounds shall be according to Rules 2014.

6. Program

The Opening Draw / Technical Meeting shall be scheduled for Thursday evening.

The competition shall start on Friday morning no later than 9 o'clock am.

Each individual distance shall be completed in maximum two days. Relay races may be held on different days of the competition provided they are held before or after the conclusion of the individual races of that day.

It is at the discretion of the Organizing Committee to determine the competition start time on each day. Semi-finals and Finals must take place on the same day. Each qualifying round will be held without any intermission or breaks other than to resurface the ice or give the athletes rest time according to Rules 2014.

Other Short Track Speed Skating events are allowed to take place during the Danubia Open competitions in the same venue, i.e. Qualifying Events of Junior Europa Cup Final for Junior "A", "B", "C" and Junior "D" categories.

A separate Memorandum (General Information) will be published for the Series of Junior Europa Cup.

7. Officials

The Organizing Committee chooses from present list by Coordination Group and the Coordination Group confirms or suggests alternatives:

- The Coordination Group: The following 3 Members must be invited in all Competitions:
 - Regional ISU Council Member,
 - Regional ISU Technical Committee Member,
 - Regional Program Coordinator
- Technical Coordinator contact persons are the Regional Program Coordinator and the Competitor Steward
- Referees: 5 Referees in all Competitions
minimum two external Referees from the Region
(Chief Referee or 1st Assistant R. has to be on ISU Championships Referee' list)
- Starters: 2 Starters
1 has to be Championships Starter
(1 domestic and 1 external on ISU Starter' list)
- Competitors Stewards:
2 Competitors Stewards
1 has to be ISU Championships Competitors steward
(1 domestic and 1 external on ISU Competitors steward' list)

All Officials (referees, starters, competitors stewards) must be featured on the ISU International List of officials (see the Appendix 2)

The official timing system used during the competition will be FinishLynx.

The Organizing Committee is responsible for the cost of hotel accommodation with full board and the travel cost for all the invited Officials (See the Appendix 2).

The Organizing Committee is responsible for informing not later than 30 days before the Competition.

8. Announcements

The organizers of the Danubia Open competitions will send an Announcement -which were confirmed by the Coordination Group - containing all the General Information to all ISU Members and the WEB-site-managers specifying:

- a) Confirmation of Date and Place of the competition
- b) Address to which the Entry and Final Entries must be sent
- c) Information about the hotel accommodation and booking deadlines guaranteeing best available prices
- d) Other detailed information especially about local circumstances
- e) Observe all requirements of Rule 110

9. Classification at each Qualification event of Junior Europa Cup Final

The qualification rules of the Junior Europa Cup Final will be determined in a separate Memorandum.

10. Point scoring system

- a) Danubia Open Competitions will be carried out according to the Overall Classification system. The points will be awarded based on the overall classification as follows:

1 = 1 000	18 = 167	35 = 28
2 = 900	19 = 150	36 = 25
3 = 810	20 = 135	37 = 23
4 = 729	21 = 122	38 = 20
5 = 656	22 = 109	39 = 18
6 = 590	23 = 98	40 = 16
7 = 531	24 = 89	41 = 15
8 = 478	25 = 80	42 = 13
9 = 430	26 = 72	43 = 12
10 = 387	27 = 65	44 = 11
11 = 349	28 = 58	45 = 10
12 = 314	29 = 52	46 = 9
13 = 282	30 = 47	47 = 8
14 = 254	31 = 42	48 = 7

15 =	229	32 =	38	49 =	6
16 =	206	33 =	34	50 =	5
17 =	185	34 =	31		

- b) In case of a tie the higher number of ranking points shall be awarded to both skaters, e.g. in the case of a tie for third places the points will be awarded as follows: 1000, 900, 810, 810, 656 etc.

11. Danubia Open Classification

- a) The overall classification will be determined for each of the following age groups:

		"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"
Overall Ranking	Ladies / Men	X	X	X	X

- b) The issue of each list will be considered as preliminary only as the results of the three (3) Competitions will be taken in.

To receive the Final Overall Classification, a skater must compete in minimum 2 (at least 50%) of the Danubia series qualifying events. Overall results of minimum two or all three qualifying Danubia Open Series competitions will be considered for the FINAL OVERALL CLASSIFICATION.

- c) All results and classifications will be published on the <http://www.shorttracklive.info> official website as soon as possible after the completion of each Danubia Open Competition.
- d) In the case of a tie in any Danubia Open Ranking, the highest rank in any of the Danubia Open Competitions will decide the final order of ranking. If the tie persists, subsequent ranking will be used to determine the order of ranking.

12. Prizes

Prizes can be awarded by the Organizing Committees to the athletes for both the OVERALL RANKING at a single Event as well as the FINAL OVERALL RANKING of the Danubia Open Series after the 3rd Event is concluded.

13. Accommodation for the National teams of the Event Organising Members

The organizing committee of each qualifying event will cover the hotel accommodation expenses for a maximum of eight (8) skaters for the following ISU Members: AUT, BUL, CRO, CZE, HUN, LAT, POL, ROU and SVK - according to the agreed cross-hosting cooperation. If the fore mentioned countries wish to enter additional National team skaters and team officials, they must respect the booking deadline and cover the expenses of these additional places. The

organizing committee will do its best to help all members of a single Member to stay in the same hotel.

14. The Coordination Group of the actual event

- Regional ISU Council Member,
- Regional ISU Technical Committee Member,
- Regional Program Coordinator,
- Host Member's OC Representative.

15. ISU Support to Organizing Committee

The ISU Council and Development Program provides financial support to the Organizing Members to ensure better quality of the Danubia Open Series events in order to generate greater interest in the Region of Central-East Europe - in case of having an adequate Development Application.

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Appendix 1

ISU Members who qualify from each Region

Danubia Series (Eastern Region)

23 members

Armenia
Austria
Azerbaijan
Belarus
Bosnia Herzegovina
Bulgaria
Croatia
Czech Republic
Estonia
Georgia
Hungary
Israel
Latvia
Lithuania
Montenegro
Poland
Romania
Russia
Serbia
Slovakia
Slovenia
Turkey
Ukraine

StarClass (Western Region)

14 members

Belgium
Denmark
Finland
France
Germany
Great Britain
Italy
Luxemburg
Netherlands
Norway
Spain
Sweden
Switzerland



Appendix 2

1. ISU Championships Officials

ISU Referees

Köver Balazs Hungary **A**
Padar Beata, Ms. Hungary **A**
Olcon Lidia, Ms. Poland **A**

ISU Starters

Novak Antal Hungary
Pawlowski Roman Poland

ISU Competitors Stewards

Filipic Hermann Austria
Todorova Stelina, Ms. Bulgaria
Boda Csaba Hungary
Valach Juraj Slovak Republic **A**

2. International Referees, Starters and Competitors Stewards

AUSTRIA

International Referees

Bittner-Crepaz Oliver
W Filipic Hermann **W**
Krause Swanje-Nadine, Ms.
Piltz Adolf

International Starters

Aigner Dietmar
Filipic Hermann

BULGARIA

International Referees

Stoytchev Stoytcho **W**

International Starters

Ivanov Iavor

CZECH REPUBLIC

International Referees

Dite Jiri **W**

International Competitors Stewards

Bradova Marcela, Ms.
Dite Jiri

HUNGARY

International Referees

Blednik László
Boda Csaba
Novák Antal **W**
Simó Ferenc **W**
Szántó Kornél
Székely Zoltán

International Starters

Boda Csaba
Eleőd Zoltán
Pádár Zita

International Competitors Stewards

Belovai Dénes **W**
Darázs István
Katona Andrea, Ms **W**
Márkus Balázs

POLAND

International Referees

Bakier-Derda Marta, Ms.
Chmielecki Piotr
Filipowicz Przemyslaw
Makowski Maciej
Regucka Karolina, Ms.
Sokolowska Monika, Ms.
Szostek-Makowska Agnieszka, Ms.

International Starters

Mazur Jan
Olcón Victoria, Ms.

International Competitors Stewards

Lipinski Grzegorz
Rejmak Wiktor
Zych Agnieszka, Ms.

ROMANIA

International Referees

Antal Balazs
Bartha Gyongyi, Ms.
Imecs Eugen
Lazarescu Andreea, Ms.
Motrescu Roxana, Ms.
Opincariu Oana-Anesia, Ms.
Pataki Zsolt Istvan
Vrencean Laszlo

International Starters

Csaszar Robert
Kovacs Ludovic
Timis Horia-Mihai
Timis Mihai

International Competitors Stewards

Gheorghe Costin
Lazarescu Andrea, Ms.
Lazarescu Silvia, Ms.
Motrescu Roxana, Ms.
Opincariu Oana-Anesia, Ms.
Timis Ildiko, Ms.

SLOVAK REPUBLIC

International Referees

Valach Andrej
Valachova Alexandra, Ms.

Appendix 3

To 7. Officials at the Competitions:

Functions		catering		days and nights	expenses	
		hotels	meals		travel	daily
Chief Referee	(if she/he is from ISU Championships or International Referee's list)	X	X	3	0,30€/km	50 €
Ass. Referees		X	X	3	0,30€/km	50 €
Starter		X	X	3	0,30€/km	50 €
Competitor Steward		X	X	4	0,30€/km	50 €
Members of the Coordination Group		X	X	4	0,30€/km	-

The Organizing Committee has right to decide for covering the airplane/train ticket.

