

Announcement

EUROPA CUP FINAL

Short Track Speed Skating

Budapest Hungary
March 18 – 20, 2016

International Skating Union
Hungarian National Skating Federation



The **Hungarian National Skating Federation** has the honour and pleasure to invite you to **2016 EUROPA CUP Final in Short Track Speed Skating** to be held in Budapest, Hungary, Gyakorló Jégcsarnok - Practice Ice rink in PUSKAS Stadium, March 18 - 20, 2016.

1) Conditions of contest

The competition will be held in accordance with the 2014 ISU Regulations and relevant ISU Communications. The qualifying schedule for each distance is based on the "All Finals" system for each individual category.

2) Track

The track is an artificial refrigerated indoor ice surface with the measures of 30 by 60 meters, protected by padding system covers in the boards. The standard lap has a distance of 111,12 meters with a curve radius of 8,50 meters. There will be 7 markers used to establish the curve. The length of the straight line is 28,85 m. The whole original track can be moved in two directions by adjusting the curve markers to preserve good ice conditions at every race. One finish line will be used for all races.

3) Categories

Ladies/Men	July 1, 2008	-	
Junior „A"	July 1, 1996	-	Jun 30, 1998
Junior „B"	July 1, 1998	-	Jun 30, 2000
Junior „C"	July 1, 2000	-	Jun 30, 2002
Junior "D"	July 1, 2002	-	Jun 30, 2004

4) Distances

a) Individual:

Ladies/Men	1500m	500m	1000m
Junior „A"	1500m	500m	1000m
Junior „B"	1500m	500m	1000m
Junior „C"	1500m	500m	1000m
Junior "D"	1000m	500m	777m

b) Relays:

Ladies/Men and Junior A-B-C 3000 m (4 skaters)

5) Entries

a) Individual entries:

From both the Danubia and StarClass series the eight (8) best skaters in each category qualify individually for participation in the Europe Final. Only the named skater can qualify for the FINAL, through the relevant series in their home region, as designated by the coordinator of both series. If he/she is not able to participate in the FINAL then the next skater in the classification will qualify. However, there is a restriction to a maximum of three (3) skaters per category per ISU Member.

b) Relay entries:

Each ISU Member has the right to enter one team of 4 or 5 competitors from the categories Ladies/Men and Junior A-B-C. Team members must be qualified for and participate in the individual competition.

The Coordinators of the Danubia and the StarClass Series will notify the respective ISU Members about the qualification of their skaters. The Coordinators from both regions will inform the Organising Committee OC by sending the Final Qualification Ranking right after the competitions below:

StarClass Session: Albertville (FRA) February 26 - 28, 2016

Danubia Session: Ventspils (LAT) February 26 - 28, 2016

Announcements and letter of invitation will be sent to the National Federations having qualified skaters by the OC.

c) Deadline for entries via e-mail: **05 March 2016.**

Please, arrange your entry electronically with using the following website <http://www.shorttracklive.info> The necessary user name and password for entering competitors is available from Mr. FILIPC, Hermann - hermann@filipic1.at – one set per Nations.

d) Entry Fee/Deposit caps

An entry fee of € 15,00 per skater and the deposit for the team-caps/starting numbers of € 50,00 per team has to be paid in cash at the check-in at the time of accreditation.

6) Accreditation

Team leaders get the accreditations for their team by showing the ID-Cards of the team-members at Hotel Lions Gardens on

Thursday, 17 March, 2016 14:00 -19:00

Ladies and men, as well as extra accompanying officials or guests and for early or post staying can only get their accreditation-passes when having paid their board- and lodging-costs to the OC.

7) Doping Control

Doping tests may be made in accordance with ISU Rule 139 and relevant ISU communications.

8) Prizes

Prizes will be presented for the first, second and the third placed skaters in the overall classification for each individual category and for the relay events.

9) Medical assistance

A doctor, an emergency car and paramedical staff will be present at each competition day. The Organising Committee assumes no responsibility or liability with regard to personal injury, property loss or damage in this tournament. All participating Member States, which is solely responsible for own skaters, delegates and coaches.

In case of damage to the first aid relief supplies and personnel transported the injured to hospital if necessary. The task is even more assistance to the Member Team.

10) Liability

In accordance with Rule 119, the OC is not responsible and liable for any medical or personal injury, property loss or sustained damage.

11) Preliminary General Program

Thursday, March 17, 2016

15:00 - 18:00 Official training

19:00 Team Leader Meeting in Hotel Lions

Gardens

Friday, March 18, 2016

08:00 Warming Up

09:00 Competition

Saturday, March 19, 2016

08:00 Warming Up

09:00 Competition

Sunday, March 20, 2016

07:30 Warming Up

08:30	Competition
14:00	Awarding Ceremony

The program above is subject to change by the OC.

12) Accommodation and meals

The OC will cover the cost of meals and accommodation (3 nights and meals beginning with dinner on the evening of Thursday, March 17 and ending with lunch of Sunday, March 20) of all skaters in the categories Junior A, B, C and D, who have qualified and participate, and for one team leader per ISU Member. Accommodation is based on 2-3bedrooms with full board.

The costs for accommodation and meals for Ladies an Men is 65€/day/person in double room and 85€/day/person in single room with full board and must be paid at the time of accreditation to the OC.

The exact number of necessary places must be confirmed by signature in writing to the OC by fax or scanned letter sent by e-mail.

13) Extra hotel accommodation with meals

Hotel accommodation for extra accompanying officials or guests and for early or post staying can be booked through the OC and must be settled by them at OC Office at the time of accreditation. Please inform the OC about your wishes when making the entry.

Single room 85€/day with full board,
Double room 65€/day/person with full board.

Lunch will be served at the Ice rink.

The hotel expenses must be paid in advance at the arrival at the Organising Committee.

14) Transportation

For teams not having own means of transportation the OC will provide transportation from Liszt Ferenc International Airports of Budapest or from the International Railway Stations of Budapest and back free of charge.

The date, airline and flight number, expected time of arrival and the date/time of departure must be sent to the OC as soon as possible, but not later than March 05, 2016.

15) Travel expenses Officials

The OC will take care of the travel arrangements of the officials invited to the

event or will pay travel expenses based on economy airfare rates from their domicile to Liszt Ferenc International Airports of Budapest and return.

Officials who wish to purchase their air tickets directly or make other individual travel arrangements must have a confirmation by the OC concerning the acceptance of the travel costs at first. The OC is the only authorising body for airline tickets or other travel costs.

No reimbursement will be made on any airline ticket or other travel cost by any other agency or any other airline unless written permission is received from the OC prior to ticketing.

16) General information

All information regarding the EUROPA CUP FINAL 2016 will be published on the website of the OC:

www.shorttrackonline.info

17) Ice Rink

All the main Credit Cards are welcomed: Visa, Master Card, etc. In this case: 5% of total amount will be added as the commission charge if using credit card to settle your payment.

Budapest, January 07, 2016

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