

Lausanne, July 20, 2020

To: ISU Members & Office Holders

Ladies and Gentlemen

The very dynamic COVID-19 pandemic developments are forcing everyone to constantly monitor the evolving situation and take timely decisions in order to minimize damages and ensure safe sporting events. A decision taken one day is often obsolete the next.

Unfortunately, we have such situation now for the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating. Since the last ISU Council meeting on July 6, the ISU has been informed of increased travel and entry restrictions which would seriously complicate the travel of Junior Skaters with the consequence that some ISU Members simply cannot or do not feel comfortable to send Junior teams to the remaining ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating countries. Furthermore, the potential extensive sanitary/ medical care measures (including possible quarantine) would put an unsustainable burden on the organizers.

Based on the advice of the Medical Commission and the Council appointed Working Group, the ISU Council has therefore concluded that the ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating events of the season 2020/21 cannot be maintained and that all events of the series must be cancelled.

If later during the season the pandemic developments and situation change and allow for the safe organization of international junior indoor events and some ISU Members wish to host an International Competition for Juniors, the ISU would consider financially assisting interested ISU Members, subject to receiving a detailed proposal. Preference will be given to ISU Members that had previously been allotted an ISU Junior Grand Prix event for the 2020/21 season

We regret the cancellation of this popular junior series even though it is in line with the ISU policy to put the safety and health of event participants as the number one priority.

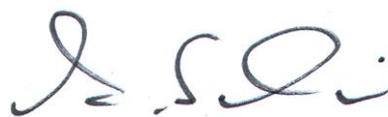
The ISU Council will meet again online on August 3 to evaluate the pandemic developments and related situation and to update the season planning for the ISU senior Events.

We thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

With kind regards

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Jan Dijkema
President

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Fredi Schmid
Director General