

ANNOUNCEMENT



23. - 27. February 2016
Vienna, Austria

An International Figure Skating Competition
for

Ladies, Men, Pairs
Senior, Junior, Advanced Novice

and an Interclub Competition for
younger categories

organized by



sanctioned by

Austrian Figure Skating Association



According to ISU Constitution and ISU Judging System

ABOUT VIENNA

Vienna is the capital and largest city of Austria and one of the nine states of Austria. Vienna is Austria's primary city, with a population of about 1.723 million, and is by far the largest city in Austria, as well as its cultural, economic, and political centre. It is the 9th largest city by population in the European Union. Vienna is host to many major international organizations, including the United Nations and OPEC.

1 GENERAL RULES

The „**Hellmut Seibt Memorial – HSM 2016**“ will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2014, the Special Regulations for Single & Pair Skating and the Technical Rules Single and Pair Skating 2014 as well as all pertinent ISU Communications – for Novice Categories ISU Communication 1886 and all respective ISU Communications.

Participation in „Hellmut Seibt Memorial“ is open to all competitors who belong to an ISU Member, Rule 109, paragraph 1, and qualify with regard to eligibility, according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3.a) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and relevant ISU Communication 1420 or any update of it.

Passports of the skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation.

Competitors taking part in Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior category must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

Entries for **young categories** (Basic Novice and younger) may be done by clubs, yet, these **entry forms have to be sent or stamped by the national federation**. Entries by parents or other private persons will not be accepted!

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Austrian Figure Skating Association – Skate Austria
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2 TECHNICAL DATA

All competition events will take place at the “Albert Schultz Eishalle” (30m x 60m).
 The Arena is indoor, heated with artificial ice surfaces.

Place of Competition: **Albert Schultz Eishalle**
(Rink no. 3 – competition, Rink no. 1, 2 – Practice):
Attemsgasse 1 (Entrance at Prandaugasse), 1220 Vienna

Date: **23 - 27 February 2016**

2.1 DRAWS

Draws for Chicks, Cubs and Basic Novice will be done random by computer prior to the respective competition according to the timetable and will be published on www.eke-vienna.net.

Draws for Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior will be done publicly on site according to the timetable and will be published on www.eke-vienna.net.

For Advanced Novice, Junior and Senior the starting order for the Free Skating will be in reverse order of the result of the Short Program.

Please note that only skaters who have transferred the entry fee will be drawn. Those skaters who have not paid the entry fee until the draw of their respective categories will not be drawn and therefore not be able to compete.

2.2 SENIOR, JUNIOR, ADVANCED NOVICE – TOP 24 (FREE SKATING)

For categories Senior, Junior, and Advanced Novice, only the 24 best placed skaters of the short program will advance into the free skating!

The organizer reserves the right not to implement this regulation in case the number of participants in a category only slightly exceeds 24 competitors.

SENIOR

MEN	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications. Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 4.30 min., +/- 10 sec.
LADIES	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications. Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 4 min +/- 10 sec.
PAIRS	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and all pertinent ISU Communications. Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value. Duration: 4.30 min., +/- 10 sec.

JUNIOR

Junior MEN

Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and the respective ISU Communications.
	Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
	Duration: 4 min., +/- 10 sec.

Junior LADIES

Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and the respective ISU Communications.
	Duration: 2 min., 50 sec. maximum, but may be less
Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the "well balanced program" and the element value.
	Duration: 3 min., 30 sec., +/- 10 sec.

ADVANCED NOVICE

Novice Categories will be held in accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and ISU Communication 1947 and all respective ISU Communications.

In International Competitions, an Advanced Novice is a Skater who has met the following requirements before July 1st preceding the event (the specific date: before July 1st, applies to all indicated dates):

- has reached at least the age of ten (10)
- has not reached the age of fifteen (15)

Duration of the Programs:

Short Program:	max. 2:30 min
Free Skating:	3:00 min, +/- 10 sec. for girls
Free Skating:	3:30 min, +/- 10 sec. for boys

BASIC NOVICE A

Novice Categories will be held in accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2014 and ISU Communication 1947 and all respective ISU Communications.

In International Competitions, a Basic Novice A is a Skater who has met the following requirements before July 1st preceding the event (the specific date: before July 1st, applies to all indicated dates):

- a) has reached at least the age of ten (10)
 - b) has not reached the age of thirteen (13) for Girls and Boys in singles competitions
- Duration: 2:30 min, +/- 10 sec.

YOUNGER CATEGORIES

CUBS Free Program a) has reached at least the age of eight (8)
b) has not reached the age of ten (10) for Girls and Boys in
singles competitions by 1st July 2014
Duration 2:00 min +/- 10 sec

CHICKS Free Program a) has not reached the age of eight (8) for Girls and Boys in
singles competitions by 1st July 2014
Duration 2:00 min +/- 10 sec

A well balanced Free Skating program for Cubs + Chicks (Boys + Girls) must contain:

- a) maximum of 4 jump elements for Girls and Boys. There may be up to two (2) jump combinations or sequences. Jump combinations can contain only two (2) jumps. A jump sequence can contain any number of jumps, but only two most difficult jumps will be counted. Triple jumps are not permitted.
- b) There must be a maximum of two (2) spins of a different nature (abbreviation).
- c) There must be a maximum:
 - (i) for Girls and Boys maximum of one (1) step sequence, that must cover at least half of the ice surface, with a fixed Base value and evaluated in GOE only.

The Program Components are only judged in

- Skating Skills
- Performance/Execution

The Factor of the Program Components is 2.5.

Levels explanations:

For Chicks and Cubs in all elements, which are subject to Levels, only features up to **Level 2** will be counted. Any additional features will not count for Level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

Deductions:

For falls and violation of music time there is a deduction of -0,5 (Chicks and Cubs)

In case of too many entries the organizing committee reserves the right to limit the number of participants and/or split groups according age to the Basic Novice A and younger categories.

3 ENTRIES

Citizen / Residency requirements and Clearance Procedure

In accordance with Rule 109 of ISU Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 or any recent update, all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate upon registration.

The organizing club reserves the right to limit the number of competitors and judges, if need be, and to accept more competitors in every category.

Entries by number have to be done by sending the Entries by number form by **January 12th 2016**.

Entries must be done with the attached Entry Forms for Teams and Judges! Along with the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee with the deadline for entries. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet is filled in precisely by each Skater in English using the terminology for the elements listed in the respective ISU Communication.

World Standing Points

In case the requirements as per ISU Communication 1629 are fulfilled, World Standing points will be awarded in the Senior Categories Men and Ladies.

3.1 ENTRIES BY NUMBER

Entries indicating the number of skaters in the disciplines concerned and judges must be made not later than **January 12th 2016**.

In case no entry is received by this date it will be assumed that your federation/club will not participate.

3.2 ENTRIES BY NAME

The final entries by name of Skaters must be made not later than **January 26th 20:00 pm (CET) 2016** to the following address via E-Mail:

EKE – Eissport Klub Engelmann Vienna
hsm.vienna@gmail.com

3.3 ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member may nominate one ISU or International Judge and one substitute Judge. The official entry form indicating the Judges must reach the Organizing Committee not later than **January 26th 2016**.

For Basic Novice and Younger Categories, judges for National Championships will be accepted (ISU Comm. 1947).

In case of too many entries, the panels will be drawn immediately after the closing date of entries. The members concerned will then be notified of the result of the drawn panel(s).

Each panel of Judges will consist of 5 Judges, in categories Chicks through Basic Novice, panels of 3 judges may be used.

4 PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

For Senior, Junior, Advanced Novice: The medalists in each event will be announced and honored. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists.

For younger categories: All Skaters in each event will be announced and honored. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists.

5 CHARGES

An entry fee of € 70,- (EUR) per skater, € 50,- (EUR) per skater (Chicks, Cubs, Basic Novice A) will be asked and has to be paid with the official entry by name no later than **January 26th 2015**, to the following account:

Account owner:	Eissport-Klub Engelmann Wien
Bank Name:	PSK Bank
BIC Code:	OPSKATWW
IBAN:	AT086000000001029080

Please indicate as a reference „Name of the Skater(s), country, category + HSM 2016“.

Any banking fees are to be covered by the entering federation, club, or skater.

Please note that only skaters will be drawn that have transferred the entry fee in advance, those skaters who have not paid the entry fee until their respective draw will not be drawn and therefore not be able to compete.

For late payment (after Jan 26, 2016) a surcharge of € 5,- (EUR) extra per skater applies.
Entry fees for cancellations (for any reason) made after January 26th 2016 will not be reimbursed.

6 MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

All Competitors shall provide competition music of excellent quality on CD, in accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1.

In accordance with Rule 343, paragraph 1, all discs must show the Competition event, Competitor's name, the Nation and the exact running time of the music (not skating time) including any starting signal and must be submitted at the time of registration. Each program (short program, free skating) must be recorded on a separate disc. In addition, competitors must provide a back-up drive for each program.

If the discs are not provided, accreditation will not be given.

With the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be sent to the Organizing Committee in time. It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet must be filled in.

7 REGISTRATION

Accreditation will be given to all Event Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data / Video Operators, all accepted Judges, Participants, one Team Leader and one Coach per Skater. Accreditation will not be issued without presentation of a valid passport. Accreditation will be given in the Ice Rink at the Accreditation–Desk.

Citizen / Residence requirements and Clearance Procedure

In accordance with Rule 109 of ISU Regulations and ISU Communication 1420 or any recent update, all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate upon registration.

8 EXPENSES

The expenses for rooms and meals of the Team Leaders, Competitors and other Team officials will not be covered by the organizer and are on the account of the teams.

The expenses of the hotel accommodation will be covered for Referees, accepted Judges, for the nominated Technical Controllers and the Technical Specialists, Data / Video Operators. The official hotel for Officials will be the Arcotel Kaiserwasser, please note that there will be not shuttle between the hotel and the icerink, because the metro line is in front of the hotel and the icerink (two stops). Officials will be provided with tickets for the transportation.

Travel fees will only be paid to the nominated Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data / Video Operators based on economy fare.

No other payment can be given!

All extra expenses incurred by any Official will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior departure.

9 TRANSPORTATION

The official hotels (Austria Trend Hotel Lasalle and Arcotel Kaiserwasser) and the skating rink can be reached conveniently from the "Vienna International Airport" (VIE) via the Vienna Airport Lines (bus service).

The railway Stations (Vienna West "Westbahnhof" and the main trainstation "Hauptbahnhof") have easy access to the Vienna subway system. The skating rink and the official hotels can easily be reached on the red line (U1) at the Station "Kagran".

The organizer cannot provide any shuttle.

10 INSURANCE/LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in ISU Events, to provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes, officials and all other members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means of the ill or injured person.

The Eissport-Klub Engelmann and Austrian Figure Skating Association – Skate Austria assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

11 ACCOMMODATION

Hotel form should be used!

The official Hotels are 4 **** standard and will be the

Austria Trend Hotel Lasalle

A-1020 Vienna, Engerthstr. 173-175

Room rates: Single Room (incl. breakfast) € 78,-
Double Room (incl. breakfast) € 86,-

Arcotel Kaiserwasser

A-1220 Vienna, Wagramer Str. 8

Room rates: Single Room (incl. breakfast) € 80,-
Double Room (incl. breakfast) € 88,-

The Hotel Booking has to be done by Hotel Form exclusively via:

Ms. Ulli Delano – Profi(t)Center Travel Service
profi.center@gmx.at

The Deadline for hotel bookings is January 16th 2016.

Please also see the hotel booking requirements and cancellation rules on the hotel form!

The room reservations for all team members have to be done exclusively with the hotel form through the "profi(t)center" Travel Service GesmbH, Mrs. Delano, to qualify for the special room rates. You will receive a bill which has to be paid immediately. Reservations will become effective when the money has arrived on the bank account. Please make your remittance in this way that all costs of banking will be paid by yourself.

All extra expenses incurred by any person will be the responsibility of that person and must be paid prior departure at the hotel.

11 PRELIMINARY TIMETABLE - SUBJECT TO CHANGE!

A detailed timetable will be sent out to all participating members/clubs after the deadline for entries! Please note that until this time also competition days for Chicks, Cubs and Basic Novice may be changed according to the number of entries.

To use the **open practice time** on Tuesday, the "Practice Form" needs to be sent at least until **February 16th 2016** via E-Mail to hsm.vienna@gmail.com and will be confirmed. It is not possible to use the open practice without registration.

Tuesday, 23 rd Feb. 2016	Open Practice upon registration (Afternoon) TC+R Meeting; Initial Judges Meeting (approx. 19:00) Public Draw Advanced Novice SP
Wednesday, 24 th Feb. 2016	Basic Novice A Advanced Novice SP
Thursday, 25 th Feb. 2016	Chicks FP Cubs FP Advanced Novice FP <i>Practice: Juniors</i> <i>Initial Judges Meeting (Junior, Senior)</i> <i>RTD Adv. Novice</i> Public Draw Junior, Senior SP
Friday, 26 th Feb. 2016	Juniors SP Senior SP <i>Practice: Juniors, Senior</i>
Saturday, 27 th Feb. 2016	Juniors FP Senior FP <i>Practice: Senior</i>
Sunday, 28 th Feb. 2016	RTD Junior, Senior (Morning or if possible after the competition on Saturday)

All meetings will be held at the ice rink.

Subject to change!

--Organizing Committee HSM--