



INFORMATION



WELCOME

Dear Friends, it is a great honour for our Association to invite your skaters, judges, coaches, officials and team members to the **ISU Junior Grand Prix of Figure Skating 2013/2014** to be held on September $18^{th} - 21^{st}$, 2013 in Gdansk, Poland.

The Polish Figure Skating Association and the Organizing Committee are looking forward to welcome the ISU skating family to take part in this exciting event in our beautiful city of Gdansk.

THE AREA - THE CITY

Gdansk, also known by its German name **Danzig** and several other names, is a city in northern Poland. It is Poland's sixth-largest city, and serves as that nation's principal seaport as well as the capital of the Pomeranian Voivodeship.

The city lies on the southern coast of Gdansk Bay (of the Baltic Sea), in a conurbation with the spa town of Sopot, the city of Gdynia and suburban communities, which together form a metropolitan area called the greater Gdansk or the Tricity with a population of over a million people. Gdansk is, with a population of 458,053 (2006), the largest city in the province of Eastern Pomerania, and present region of Gdansk Pomerania.

Gdansk is situated at the mouth of the Motlawa River, connected to the Leniwka, a branch in the delta of the Vistula, whose waterway system connects 60% of the area of Poland. This gives the city a unique advantage as the centre of Poland's sea trade.

Historically an important seaport since medieval times and subsequently a principal shipbuilding centre, Gdansk was a member of the Hanseatic League. The city is famous worldwide as the birthplace of the Solidarity movement which, under the leadership of Lech Walesa, played a major role in bringing an end to Communist rule in the Poland. Today Gdansk remains an important industrial centre, together with the nearby port of Gdynia.

Gdansk is also synonymous with beautiful, clean beaches.

Thanks to major environmental investments all Gdansk beaches were regained for recreation for several years ago and the quality of the sea water is exquisite.

The thousand-year-old Gdansk is considered as the most monument-abounding city of the "Baltic Europe".



Established: 10th century
City Rights: year 1263

Government Mayor: Pawel Adamowicz **Area-City:** 262 km²

458,053

Website: www.gdansk.pl

Population (2006):

Most of the monuments in Gdansk are placed near the heart of its Old Town District, around the Long Street (ul. Dluga), streets parallel to it, and the Long Quay. The best place to start your trip appears to the Upland Gate and the King's Road stretching beyond it. Having crossed The Upland Gate, you'll find the Torture Tower, which is planned to house a museum of amber soon. Long Street is main track of the town, where you'll be enchanted by the beautiful renovated XVI - XVII century houses, one of them being the Uphagen's House (Dom Uphagena) - Museum of History of Gdansk.









All those venerable buildings are towered over by the beautiful and monumental Main Town Hall . Walk inside, and you will not regret it - the splendid interior was renovated not so long ago. Nearby, on the Long Market you'll find the symbol of Gdansk - Neptune's fountain. Behind it is the beautiful Artus' Court and the New House of the Court with The Lady from the Window the amazing Golden House



The Crane over the Motlawa River

used to play the double role of a port crane and city gate. The structure was given its present shape between 1442-1444. Inside, a huge wooden wheel set in motion by men walking inside it. The crane served not only cargo reloading purposes; it was also a device to put up ship's masts.



Long Street and Long Market

Together forming the Royal Route, they rank among the most beautiful streets of Gdansk. Perpendicular to the Motlawa River, they start at the Golden Gate and end at the Green Gate. The route used to mark the residential area of the wealthiest Gdansk parish, and almost every house, has its own, rich history.

The oldest authentic buildings date back to the Middle Ages, though most of the urban development reaches back no later than modern times. The houses on Long Street are typical of Gdansk, with their narrow facades topped with gables or parapets.



The Artus Court

was given its present shape in 1477, following the fire that had destroyed the previous 14th century building on the site. The facade was transformed by Abraham van den Blocke. The Mannerist doorway is adorned with royal portraits.

The Court's elegant interior hides a huge, 12 metre high, Renaissance tiled stove, a mid-16th. masterpiece by George Stelzener.

The decorative tiles were painted by master Jost, who used this opportunity to portray the eminent European rulers of the times. The likenesses are interspersed with coats of arms, personifications of virtues, and planets. The site was the meeting place of the Gdańsk city notables.



The Neptune Fountain

occupying the square in front of the Artus Court ever since 1633 is symbolic of Gdańsk. The initiative to erect it came from the City Mayor, Bartlomiej Schachmann. The figure of Neptune stands for Gdansk's bond with the sea. It was sculpted by Peter Husen and Johann Rogge, and the cast, moulded in 1615, was commissioned from Augsburg.

The general conceptual design was developed by Abraham van den Blocke. The magnificent surrounding fencing was added in 1634. Between 1757-1761 Johann Karl Stender modified the fountain chalice and plinth in the Rococo style and added a whole array of sea creatures.



Oliwa Cathedral

This Holy Trinity, Blessed Virgin Mary, and St Bernard's Church was first erected as a Cistercian shrine back in the 13th c. Reconstructed in 1350 after a great fire, it reemerged in the Gothic style and has remained almost unaltered ever since. The Gothic interior was extremely damaged in the 1577 fire and was replaced with the

Baroque fixtures we can admire today. Structurally, the cathedral is a triple-aisle, vaulted basilica built on the plan of the Latin cross. Oliwa Cathedral is 107m long, which makes it the longest church in Poland. The decorative gem is the Rococo organ, from 1763-1788. When built, the instrument was the largest in Europe.



THE VENUE

The Olivia ice rink is a skating complex with 2 indoor ice rinks. Main rink and practice rink: ice surface $60m \times 30m$, air conditioned and heated.

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THE OFFICIAL HOTELS

Novotel Gdańsk Marina Hotel

(ISU Officials, Judges, Team Officials, Chaperons)

ul. Jelitkowska 20 80-342 Gdańsk

Poland

Phone: +48 58 558 91 00

Web: http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-3375-novotel-gdansk-marina/index.shtml

The room rates of the hotel rooms are as following:

Single room € 100.00 Twin room € 80.00 (per person) All rates are per person and night, including breakfast and all local tourist taxes.

The Novotel Gdansk Marina Hotel is situated by the beach, not far from Sopot. The location and high-quality services make this a great place for a holiday or a relaxing weekend, especially if you have children. Our children's attractions include a welcome gift, play area, video games and a special menu. The hotel offers a heated indoor pool, fitness center, sauna, mountain bike hire, restaurant, bar, 9 fully equipped conference rooms and car park.

Hotel Orbis Posejdon Gdańsk

(Skaters, Coaches, Team Leaders, Team Medical Staff)

ul. Kapliczna 30 80-341 Gdańsk Poland

Phone: +48 58 511 30 00

Web: http://www.accorhotels.com/pl/hotel-3391-hotel-orbis-posejdon-gdansk/index.shtml

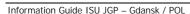
The room rates of the hotel rooms are as following:

Single room € 80.00 Twin room € 60.00 (per person)
All rates are per person and night, including breakfast and all local tourist taxes.

The Orbis Posejdon Gdansk hotel is situated in beautiful gardens just 109 yds (100 m) from the beach. The hotel is the perfect place for guests wanting to relax and be at one with nature. The area offers cycle paths, picturesque beaches and the wooden Sopot pier. Those who enjoy modern beauty treatments during their active break will definitely appreciate the wide range of procedures on offer at the hotel's Beauty Derm Instytut SPA center.

Hotel capacities can only be booked via the Organizing Committee.







MEALS

ISU Event Officials (Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data/Replay Operators), Judges and Competitors will receive meal-vouchers for the period, covered through the Organizing Committee, beginning on **Tuesday, September 17, 2013** with dinner until **Sunday, September 22, 2013** including breakfast.

All other persons may purchase meal-vouchers for:

Lunch € 20.00

Dinner € 20.00

Each meal includes a non-alcoholic drink.

TRAVELLING TO GDAŃSK

By Plane

The official airport for the ISU Junior Grand Prix in **Gdańsk** will be **Gdańsk Rembiechowo Lech Wałęsa International Airport (GDA)**.

Airport is situated about 10 km from official hotel.

By Train

When you travel by train the best railway station is Gdansk - Oliwa or Gdansk Glowny

The Organizing Committee provides a pick-up service at Lech Wałęsa Airport and Gdansk - Oliwa / Gdansk Glowny railway station. Please inform the Organizing Committee together with your entry whether you will be using the transportation offered.

The fee for the pick-up service is € 20.00 per person and need to be paid upon arrival at registration.

EVENT SHUTTLE

Shuttle-bus-service will connect both official hotels with the The Olivia ice rink (main and practice rink) and return starting on the first practice day (Wednesday, September 18, 2013).

The shuttle will run in accordance with the final time and practice schedule. A detailed bus schedule will be distributed at the time of registration.

REGISTRATION

Accreditation as a Team Member will be given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team-Leader per participating team, one Coach per Competitor, a maximum of two Team Officials of ISU Members (including the Member President), provided that they are Council Members, Technical Committee Members or Members of the Head Office of their Federation and a maximum of two medical persons. Accreditation will only be granted to persons in those various functions if officially entered and named through their National Association. The ISU Member certifies with the signed entry form the indicated functions within the team of all team members. Any misuse of any function will be sanctioned by the ISU/OC.

Accreditation will be given to appointed ISU Event Officials, ISU Office Holders and Guests of Honour



Passports of the skaters have to be presented at the accreditation for verification!

The registration for all teams will be held at the **Posejdon Hotel** upon arrival.

The registration / organizing committee office is located in room "Afrodyta" (lobby level).

Operating hours: Tuesday, Sept. 17 10:00 – late night

 Wednesday, Sept. 18
 08:00 – 22:00

 Thursday, Sept. 19
 09:00 – 22:00

 Friday, Sept. 20
 09:00 – 22:00

 Saturday, Sept. 21
 09:00 – 00:00

 Sunday, Sept. 22
 07:00 – 11:00

Chaperones

Officially entered chaperons (one per skater) can be accredited and have access to all practice sessions, competitions and to join the event shuttle bus system.

Chaperones accreditation are available at a price of € 20.00 from the OC Office at the Hotel.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

Anti-Doping tests will be conducted. The tests will be taken from each first placed skater/couple. One skater from the remainder of the skaters shall be selected by random draw in Singles and Ice Dance. In case of a couple it will be determined by draw whether the Lady or the Man will be tested.

The anti-doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current ISU Anti-Doping Code as published in ISU Communication 1650 and 1651 or any further updates.

Skaters drawn for Anti-Doping control must identify themselves through passport.

SOCIAL EVENTS AND MEETINGS

Team Leaders Meeting Wednesday, September 17, 2013 – 10:00Posejdon Hotel

Initial Starting Order Draws Wednesday, September 17, 2013

Main rink - Draw Room

The exact times will be published in the final time and practice schedule which will be handed out at time of registration.

Intermediate Draws

Intermediate draws will be held approximately 15 minutes after the conclusion of the respective Short Programs and Short Dance at the main rink – Draw Room.

Referees and Technical Controllers Meeting Wednesday, September 17, 2013 – 16:00 Marina Hotel



Judges Draw and Meeting Wednesday, September 17, 2013 – 17:00

Marina Hotel

Round Table Discussions

All Round Table Discussions are planned to be held at the Marina Hotel. Exact times as to the event schedule.

PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 17, 2013	All day	Arrival of Teams
Wednesday, September 18, 2013	All day	Official Practice
	10:00	Team Leaders Meeting
	16:00	Referee's and Technical Controllers Meeting
	17:00	Judges Draw and Meeting
	20:00	ISU and Judges Dinner
Thursday,		Official Practice
September 19, 2013	14:00	LADIES – Short Program
		MEN – Short Program
Friday,		Official Practice
September 20, 2013	14:30	ICE DANCE – Short Dance
		LADIES – Free Skating
		Victory Ceremonies LADIES
Saturday,		Official Practice
September 21, 2013	08:30	LADIES – Judges Round Table Discussion
	11:00	MEN – Free Skating
		ICE DANCE – Free Dance
		Victory Ceremonies MEN and ICE DANCE
	20:00	EXHIBITION GALA
	20:00	MEN – Judges Round Table Discussion
	21:30	ICE DANCE – Judges Round Table Discussion

Please note:

This schedule is subject to changes and will be updated in accordance with the final number of entries.



MEDICAL SERVICE

During practices and events a "red-cross" and medical service is on duty any time on at the "Olivia" ice rink.

ACCREDITATION / SECURITY

Accreditation passes have been issued for identification and security purposes. Please wear your ID-card at all time.

VARIOUS

Weather

The weather in Gdańsk during the days of September might vary between +10°C and + 20°C with some nice and sunny days.

Electricity

The electric current is 230 Volts AC, 50 Hertz. European two-pin plugs are required or bring plug converters from home.

Banks

Regular banking hours in Gdańsk are Monday to Friday 9.00 h to 17.00 h.

Money Exchange

Foreign currency can be exchanged at the airport, hotels, banks and exchange offices (kantor). You will get a better deal by using a cantor that displays its exchange rate in the window.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Please inform the Organizing Committee as soon as possible about

Invitation letters for visa requests in case of needed

□ additional practice-time, if needed

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