

# INTERNATIONAL FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION

## Competition Announcement

International Figure Skating Competition  
Single Skating for Senior and Junior  
Men and Women



***Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup>***

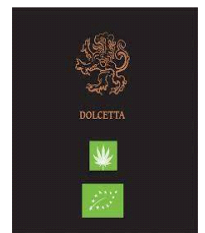
***18.01.2024-21.01.2024***

***Riga, Latvia***

## OUR PARTNERS:



Thuono<sup>®</sup>



**Skate Shop, Kristal Ice  
Volvo Ledus Halle  
Jurmālas Gatve 78 D,  
Rīga, Latvia.  
[WWW.KRISTALICE.LV](http://WWW.KRISTALICE.LV)**





## ***ANNOUNCEMENT / INVITATION***

### **WELCOME**

The Organizing Committee are glad to invite you and your club to participate in the Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup> International Competition.

### **GENERAL REGULATIONS**

The **Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup>** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2022, the Special Regulations and Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2022, and the relevant ISU Communications.

Participation in the **Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup>** is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, 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 ISU Communication 2526 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 2526 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. Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective ISU Member Federation. Clubs registered at ISU Members Federations can participate in competition or Invited clubs ONLY. The OC can have a final design about over quota for any club/country/federation or refuse to accept the entry (full or partially).

### **ORGANIZER:**

**Figure Skating Club “Kristal Ice“ and Latvian Skating Association**

E-mail: [Kristal\\_ice@hello.lv](mailto:Kristal_ice@hello.lv) Phone number: +371 29548461 Fax: +371 67408274

**[www.kristalice.lv](http://www.kristalice.lv)**

## DATE

<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Event</b>	<b>18.01.2024-21.01.2024</b>	<b>ISU International</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Event</b>	<b>04.05.2024-05.05.2024</b>	<b>Interclub</b>

## TECHNICAL DATA

**PLACE**      **Main Arena: Volvo Sport Centrs, Jurmalas gatve 78 D, Riga, Latvia.**  
(an indoor ice-rink with ice surface of 28 x 58 m, air-conditioned and heated)

**Practice Arena: Volvo Sport Centrs, Jurmalas Gatve 78 D, Riga, Latvia.**  
(an indoor ice-rink with ice surface of 28 x 58 m, air-conditioned and heated)

**Main and Practice Rink are in the same complex / building**

<b>MEN</b>	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022, Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 2.  Duration: 2 minutes and 40 seconds, +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2021, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value.  Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 sec.
<b>WOMEN</b>	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022, Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 2.  Duration: 2 minutes and 40 seconds, +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022, Rule 612 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element value.  Duration: 4 minutes, +/- 10 sec.

<b>JUNIOR MEN</b>	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022 Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 3 for 2023/24.  Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022, Rule 612 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.
<b>JUNIOR WOMEN</b>	Short Program	The required elements to be skated are those listed in ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022 Rule 611, paragraphs 1 and 3 for 2023/24.  Duration: 2 min., 40 sec. +/- 10 sec.
	Free Skating	In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating 2022, Rule 612 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.

### **ENTRIES OF COMPETITORS**

All the members of ISU being members of National Skating Federations associated with ISU, are invited to take part in this competition.

Members can enter any quantity of Skaters into each category.

Organizers have the right to refuse or limit the participation in competition. The attached entry forms have to be filled in precisely and can be sent by e-mail on the address given below by **December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023** to: **E-mail:** [Kristal\\_ice@hello.lv](mailto:Kristal_ice@hello.lv)

**The deadline for entries is December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

### **ENTRY FEE**

90 EUR per skater (Men, Women, Junior)

Late Entry Fee: 105 EUR per skater (Men, Women, Junior)

Notice: All Entry Fee payments received after December 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 are subject to late entry fee of 15€ per single skater. The late entry fee is not applicable only if a Member Federation or Club is substituting a skater, whose entry fee was paid by the deadline by another skater.

## **ENTRY FEE PAYMENT**

Entry fees must be paid after confirmation of member participation. Bill must be paid with one (1) transaction for all the country/member participants.

The entry fee will not be refunded after the deadline in case of withdrawals for any reason.

The entry fees have to be transferred to following bank account

Sia "Kristal Ice"  
LV 40003763273  
LUMINOR bank  
LV21RIKO0002930054380 - account number for euro payments  
S.W.I.F.T. RIKOLV2X

## **APPOINTED EVENT OFFICIALS / ENTRIES OF JUDGES**

This Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup>. event will follow the principles of International Skating Union for appointing the event officials. The members of each individual Technical Panel, Referee and Judges will have at least the qualification "International".

Each participating ISU Member may nominate one (1) Judge with the qualification "Judge for International competitions" or "ISU Judge" per discipline, double duty Judges are very welcome. We cover hotel`s/meal/pocket money ONLY for Judges who are acting in several panels except those where own federation skaters are presented

The Panels of Judges will consist of a minimum of five (5) Judges in all panels.

In case of too many nominated judges the organizer will draw the panel of judges immediately after the closing date for the entries. The result of such draw will be communicated to all ISU Members involved in writing immediately after the conclusion of such draw.

## **PRACTISE**

You have book in advanced till 04.01.2024. Extra fee: 25.- Euro / 25 min. person, no music. The detailed schedule will be issued at the time of registration

## **MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENTS**

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality on USB flash drive

The music files must be sent as MP3, M4A or WAV format. Any other format is not acceptable.

In accordance with Rule 343 paragraph 2. USB must have Competitor`s name, Member`s name 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 Competitor must have an own back-up drive (USB Stick) in the format of a MP3, M4A or WAV format.

**If music information is not complete and music not provided, accreditation will not be given.**

With the entry forms, the "Program Content Sheet" must be returned to the Organizing Committee. ([Kristal\\_ice@hello.lv](mailto:Kristal_ice@hello.lv)), It is mandatory that the Program Content Sheet be completed precisely by each skater/couple in English using the proper terminology.

## **DRAW**

The Starting orders will be drawn by the representative of 2 Team Leaders for the short program. Starting orders for the second segment FS will be reverse order of the result of SP.

## **EXPENSES**

### **Competitors**

Competitors and all other Team Members are responsible for their own travel, accommodation and meal expenses.

## **ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS / TEAMS**

The nearest airport is Riga International Airport (RIX) with a distance of 8 km to the official hotel and 7 km to the venue.

Please be aware that the Organizing Committee does not provide any transportation from the Airport for the participating teams

## **OFFICIAL HOTEL**

**BELLEVUE PARK HOTEL RIGA** – hotel for officials and teams  
Slokas iela 1, Rīga LV-1048 Latvia

The „**BELLEVUE PARK HOTEL**„ 4\* ( 6 km. 10 min. from icerink by car/bus)

**All rooms are equipped with:** air conditioner bath or shower, hair dryer, satellite TV, Internet connection, direct-dial telephone and fridge. The above mentioned rates are in EUR per room per night and they include the following services: Accommodation in required room category, Breakfast Buffet, Service Charges, VAT, Parking lot. and wifi free of charge.

Special priced for hotel reservation using code: **KICE24**, <https://hotelbellevue.lv/ru>

single room - 55 euro

double room - 60 euro

tripple room - 75 euro

extra bed - 20 euro

## **ACCOMODATION**

The Organizer will make the room arrangements for **INVITED** officials only.

Skaters, coaches and other team members can book accommodation them selves

## **TRANSFER:**

Transfer between Bellevue Park Hotel and Volvo Arena NOT PROVIDED. But Taxi (Bolt) available all the time, the cost of 1 trip is about 6 euro/car.

## **ACCREDITATION**

At Volvo Ice Arena, OC office during competition days.

In accordance with the ISU Directive please note that at the time of registration (Entry fee, music) we



## Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup>, Riga / Latvia 18.01.-21.01.2024



have to copy and file the passport of the Skaters (in case you happen to bring it with you or send it by e-mail beforehand it will make us very happy).

### **RESULTS**

The marking system (ISU Judging System) as described in ISU Technical Rule Single & Pair Skating 2022, Rule 352 and Rule 353 (Determination and publication of results) will be used. Result information and detailed protocols will be available on the website: <http://kristalice.lv>

### **AWARDS**

The top three competitors in each event (Final results) will be honored and awarded by Trophies, special presents and diplomas; others will receive memory presents. The exact time of the Awarding Ceremonies will be announced in the detailed schedule in due time. Please make sure that all skaters are represented at the Ceremony.

### **INSURANCE / LIABILITY**

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the Volvo Open Cup 51<sup>st</sup>, 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 Organizer assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred in connection with the event mentioned above.

Please note – livestream video and photography is provided during all the event.

### **THE CODE OF ETHICS**

All the skaters, coaches, judges, chaperons should follow the ISU Communication 2478, (or any update of this Communication). Action against this rule conducts by itself the disqualification of the skater.

### **TIMETABLE**

Detailed time schedule will be send to all members soon after the close of entries.

Preliminary Schedule

ISU events: 18.01.2024 – 20.01.2024

Interclub events: 19.01.2024 – 21.01.2024

Preliminary Judge Meeting: 18.01.2024

RTD – same day after each event or next morning

### **MISCELLANIOUS**

Please note: livestream video provided during all the competition long Professional photographers are working at both ice rinks and organizers has a right to use any photo for commercial purposes



## **GDPR**

By entering all participants accept that personal data are collected by the Organizing Committee (OC)

such data are stored and used by the OC, and when necessary, third parties, for the purposes only of, and to the extent necessary only in relation to facilitate their participation in the competition; personal data may include but will not be limited to full legal name as per national identity documents, address, date of birth, nationality, sex.