



# **Announcement**

The "Eissportclub Erfurt e.V. (ESC)", Member of the "Thüringer Eissportverband e.V. (TEV)" and the "Deutsche Eisschnelllauf-Gemeinschaft e.V. (DESG) e.V." is pleased to invite you to take part at the international speed skating competition:

# 21<sup>st</sup> Masters' International Speed Skating ALLROUND GAMES Erfurt / Germany, March 9-11, 2012

The competition will be held in accordance to the following conditions related to the regulations of the International Masters' Speed Skating Committee (IMSSC) and the International Skating Union (ISU). The competition takes place at the "Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle", a covered 400m standard ice speed skating track, Arnstädter Str. 53, 99096 Erfurt. This competition is a regular event of the International Masters' Calendar of the IMSSC.

Organizer: Organization Committee (OC) Speed Skating Erfurt

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# 1. Competitions:

Ladies (age group 30-65): 500m, 1.000m, 1.500m, 3.000m

Ladies (age group 70 and higher): 500m, 1.000m, 1.500m

Men (age group 30-60): 500m, 1.500m, 3.000m, 5.000m Men (age group 65 and higher): 500m, 1.000m, 1.500m, 3.000m

The number of participants only in the 5.000m distance for Men (age group 30-60), in the 3.000m for Ladies (age group 30-65) and in the 3.000m for Men (age group 65 and higher) may be limited to the following number of skaters (limitation maximum), but only if absolutely necessary (see "5. Drawing and Classification", last sentence).

Number of skaters	Skaters on the last distance
1 - 3	1 - 3
4 - 7	4
8 - 15	8

16 - 23	12
24 - 31	16
32 - 39	20
etc.	etc.

Quartet start may be used for all distances except the 500m.

No members of national selections or national teams are allowed to participate.

#### 2. Age-groups:

The competitions take place in five year age groups (AG) as follows: AG = five year age group Masters Ladies and Men (as high as necessary)

AG	born
30	01.07.77 - 30.06.82
35	01.07.72 - 30.06.77
40	01.07.67 - 30.06.72
45	01.07.62 - 30.06.67
50	01.07.57 - 30.06.62
55	01.07.52 - 30.06.57

AG	born
60	01.07.47 - 30.06.52
65	01.07.42 - 30.06.47
70	01.07.37 - 30.06.42
75	01.07.32 - 30.06.37
80	01.07.27 - 30.06.32
85	01.07.22 - 30.06.27 etc.

# 3. Limitation of participants:

The competition is limited to 200 competitors (respectively 235 entries; by experience about 15 % loss of entered competitors by illness, injuries, etc.).

The Quota of Entries for the different Nations are:

FIN 12	GER 40	ITA 12	NED 66	NOR 44	RUS 18	Other Nations 43
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# 4. Eligibility:

To be eligible the skater must be a member of a National Speed Skating Federation recognized by the ISU and must have a license of his/her federation.

# 5. Drawing and Classification:

On the first two distances of the Allround Games the skaters shall be seeded in three groups before drawing, according to their best times of the season, their best times of the last season or their estimated times as specified in the announcement. The seeding occurs per Age Group or per joined Age Groups.

Neighboured five year age groups with a small number of participants may be put together for drawing and speed skating in the competition. In these combined groups the age group of each skater will be written behind his/her name in the protocol.

The classification however will be done separately in five year age groups independent of the number of participants in an age group.

The winner of a three-distance or a four-distance competition in his/her age group is the skater who has completed successfully all distances and has obtained the lowest total of points in his/her five year age group.

Drawing at the Masters' International Allround Games must be done according to ISU Rule 244 for Drawing at International Competitions. The restriction in the number of skaters at the last distance, if at all, shall be within the bounds of possibility as small as possible.

If the time schedule requires limitation of participants in the last distance of the Allround Games, joined five year age groups have to be separated before the limitation of participants. The limitation has to be done for every five year age group separately, according to IMSSC Rule 3.7. Afterwards five year age groups can again be joined for the last distance as described above.

#### 6. Prizes and Results:

The first three competitors of a five year age group will be awarded a Cup (three-distance or four-distance competition). All participants, who skate successfully the competition without disqualification, obtain a certificate (also if falling under a limitation of the fourth distance), a medal (if not being awarded with a cup) and a protocol with the results including starting times, lap times, accumulated lap times and end times.

Every participant will receive an Event Shirt at the Registration (included in the Entry Fee).

# 7. Anti-Doping Conditions:

Anti-doping tests may be made in accordance with ISU Rule 139.

# 8. Schedule (subject to change):

#### 8.1. Competition dates for the age groups:

After the entry deadline the organizers will be posted the specific starting times of the age group on the website <a href="https://www.eisschnelllauf-erfurt.de">www.eisschnelllauf-erfurt.de</a>.

# 8.2. Training times:

The training times from Thursday, March 8, 2012, to Sunday, March 11, 2012 are including the entrance fee for the competitors. For training times before Thursday, March 8, 2012, you must pay EUR 15 per day. **Please announce in the OC office.** 

Date	Time	Remarks
Thursday, March 8, 2012	16.00 – 18.45 h	17.00 h ice preparation
Friday, March 9, 2012	10.00 – 11.45 h	10.45 h ice preparation
	11.45 – 12.30 h	warm up competition 1 <sup>st</sup> day
Saturday, March 10, 2012	07.30 – 08.30 h	warm up competition 2 <sup>nd</sup> day
Sunday, March 11, 2012	07.30 – 08.30 h	warm up competition 3 <sup>rd</sup> day

Changes can be possible. Please, look at the information board in the ice hall for the current training times!

#### 8.3. Timetable:

Thursday, March 8, 2012				
09.00 – 16.00 h	Check in	Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle		
		Office OC		
16.00 h	Team Leaders' Meeting	Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle		
	(maximum two team leaders per Nation)	Look information board ice hall		
18.00 h	Drawing	Look information board ice hall		
19.30 h	Welcome Reception	Look information board ice hall		

Friday, March 9, 2012		
13.00 h	Competition 1 <sup>st</sup> day	Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle

Saturday, March 10, 2012		
09.00 h	Competition 2 <sup>nd</sup> day	Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle

Sunday, March 11, 2012			
09.00 h	Competition 3 <sup>rd</sup> day	Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Eishalle	
19.00 h	Closing Banquet with victory ceremony	Look information board ice hall	

#### 9. Entries:

The entries will be accepted by the Organizer in succession of their arrival at the address indicated in the entry, with the exception of the entries of participants of Russia (RUS), The Netherlands (NED) and Norway (NOR). For the participants of these countries a selection will be made by their IMSSC Members or by their National Speed Skating Associations.

If an entered skater is hindered by illness or an unforeseen accident to take part in the competition, he/she may be substituted by another skater, **but only up to the Entry Deadline**.

If the Quota of entries of one or more Nations are not filled by December 10, 2011, the remaining free entries shall be distributed among the Nations having more entries than quota in relation to their quota.

Entry deadline for the participants of RUS, NED and NOR is December 3, 2011, for the participants of FIN, GER, ITA and OTHER NATIONS is December 10, 2011.

All entries must be made online, by using and submitting the electronic entry forms at <a href="www.imssc.org">www.imssc.org</a>, which you can find here:

# Entry procedure closed.

The online entry form must be filled in completely and sent off by clicking on "Submit". You will get a confirmation to your e-mail immediately to indicate that the electronic form was successfully submitted.

You will not receive a confirmation of your participation by e-mail, but you will be registered on the List of Competitors on the website:

# http://www.eisschnelllauf-erfurt.de

This list will be updated periodically when entries have been arrived. At this list you will see if your entry is accepted. If your country has filled its quota, you will be on the waiting list. Athletes from RUS and NED with national selection procedure will officially be added to the entry list after December 10, 2011.

The submitted Electronical Entries of RUS, NED, NOR and FIN, GER, ITA and OTHER NATIONS will be received at the following addresses. There the selection of participants will be made according to the above-mentioned Nations Quota.

**RUS** Sergey Orlov – Head MSSFR (Masters Speed Skating Federation of Russia)

E-mail: rsum@mail.ru

Vladimir Tkachenko – IMSSC Member RUS

E-mail: vladimir-skating@yandex.ru

**NED** Bram de Vries – MCLN - IMSSC Member NED

Burgemeester Padmosweg 81 NL-3648 BD Wilnis/The Netherlands E-mail: bramdevries@xs4all.nl

NOR Norges Skøyteforbund

Serviceboks 1, Ullevål Stadion

N-0840 Oslo/Norway

E-mail: <a href="mailto:skoyteforbundet@nif.idrett.no">skoyteforbundet@nif.idrett.no</a>

#### FIN, GER, ITA and OTHER NATIONS

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# 10. Entrance fee for competitors:

EUR 100,00 which includes a fee of EUR 10,00 for the costs of the IMSSC (EUR 8 for Office, EUR 2 for Antidoping efforts) and also the Welcome Reception and the Closing Banquet.

# 11. Deposit

A deposit of EUR 40,00 per participant for the Entries FIN, GER, ITA and OTHER NATIONS has to be issued to the following bank account parallel to the entry with the electronic form to be registrated at the list of competitors (at the latest until the deadline of entries - December 10, 2011):

Eissportclub Erfurt Account-No: 163003742 | Bank Code: 820 510 00 (Sparkasse Mittelthüringen)

IBAN: DE67 8205 1000 0163 0037 42 | BIC (SWIFT-Code): HELADEF1WEM

Reason for payment: Name of skater / 21st Masters Games Erfurt 2012

The same deposit of 40,00 EUR per participant for the Entries NED, NOR and RUS has to be issued to the bank accounts of the corresponding National Skating Federations or of the corresponding IMSSC Members also parallel to the entry with the electronic entry form to be registrated at the national list of competitors (until the deadline of Entries December 2, 2011, at the latest). The National Skating Federations or IMSSC Members have to inform their skaters about their bank account and to send the sum of the deposits of their selected skaters to the above mentioned bank account of the Eissportclub Erfurt until the December 10, 2011 at the latest to get their selected skaters registrated.

The deposit will be offset with the payment of the entrance fee. It cannot be reimbursed if the competitor withdraws his entry after the deadline of entries. Because of the lower bank fee for remitting the deposit the IBAN and BIC should be used for the remittance by foreigners if possible.

#### 12. Tickets for the Welcome Reception and Closing Banquet only for Coaches and Companions:

Tickets are EUR 12,00 per person for the Welcome Reception and EUR 25,00 per person for the Closing Banquet. Please order these on the entry form.

# 13. Liability:

In Accordance with ISU Rule 119 the Eissportclub Erfurt e.V., the Organizing Committee and the IMSSC assume no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage incurred with connection with the 21<sup>st</sup> Masters' International Speed Skating Allround Games 2012 in Erfurt.

Each skater or accompanying person is solely responsible for providing insurance coverage thereto.

# 14. Event Shirt:

Event Shirts will be available for purchase for EUR 19,00 additionally to the Event Shirts of the competitors, which are included in the Entry Fee. Only advance orders that are included in the entry form are guaranteed. Extra shirts may be available at the event.

#### **15. Itinerary to Erfurt:**

By car you drive on the motorway A4 to Erfurt.

If you take the plane you should fly to Frankfurt Airport and then take the train (DB Bahn) from the station "Frankfurt Airport" to the station "Erfurt Main Station". There is a direct train every hour (Intercity IC or Intercity Express ICE) which needs 2 ½ hours.

# 16. Accommodation:

You can book in the following hotel until **January 15, 2012** to special rates:

Address: MERCURE Hotel Erfurt Altstadt

Meienbergstraße 26-27 99084 Erfurt / Germany Phone: +49 (0) 361 / 59 49-0

Fax: +49 (0) 361 / 59 49-100 E-Mail: <u>h5375@accor.com</u> Web: <u>www.mercure-erfurt.de</u>

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Double room: EUR 77,00 per night + 5% city tax Single room: EUR 61,50 per night + 5% city tax

Breakfast: EUR 8,50 per person

# **Erfurt, September 2011**

Organizing Committee Speed Skating Erfurt