



INFORMATION



BRASOV CUP

BRASOV / ROMANIA/ 21-24.09.2011

WELCOME

The ROMANIAN SKATING FEDERATION, the SPORT DEPARTMENT of Brasov County and the MAYOR of Brasov city are looking forward to welcoming all the participants, Skaters, Coaches, Officials, Judges, Chaperones, parents. We have prepared various information, which we consider useful for you before and throughout the Event.

The LOCATION

Brasov (*Kronstadt* in German, *Brassó* in Hungarian; *Brassovia* or *Corona* in Medieval Latin) is located in the central part of Romania, about 170 km far from Bucharest. It is surrounded by the Southern Carpathians and is part of the Transylvania region. The city is notable for hosting the „Golden Stag” International Music Festival.

The Municipality of Brasov has a total population of 278,003 inhabitants, living within the city limits. In 2005, the Brasov metropolitan area was created. With its surrounding localities, Brasov has around 400,000 inhabitants.

The CITY

The oldest traces of human activity and settlements in Brasov date back to the Neolithic age (about 9500 BC). Certain locations show traces of Dacian citadels.

German colonists, known as the Transylvanian Saxons, played a decisive role in Brasov's development. Germans living in Brasov were mainly involved in trade and crafts. The location of the city, at the intersection of trade routes, linking the Ottoman Empire and Western Europe, together with certain tax exemptions, allowed the Saxon merchants to get considerable wealth and to exert a strong political influence. They contributed a great deal to the architectural flavour of the city. Fortifications around the city were erected and continually expanded, with several towers maintained by different craftsmen's guilds, according to the Medieval custom. Part of the fortification ensemble was recently restored, using UNESCO funds and other projects are ongoing. At least two entrances to the city, *Poarta Ecaterinei* (or *Katharinentor*) and *Poarta Schei* (or *Waisenhausgässertor*) are still in existence. The city centre is marked by the Mayor's former office building (Casa Sfatului) and the surrounding square (Piata), which includes one of the oldest building in Brasov, the *Hirscher Haus*, owned by a wealthy merchant. Nearby is the *Black Church*, which some claim to be the largest Gothic style church in South-Eastern Europe.

Not ver far from the city of Brasov, at Bran, there is a wonderful castle, known as „DRACULA” Castle. The city has several twinning arrangements and „strong contacts” with the following cities for the „purpose of ongoing projects”:

- Tampere, Finland
- Tours, France
- Győr, Hungary
- Rishon LeZion, Israel
- Holsterbo, Denmark
- Musashino, Japan
- Ghent, Belgium
- Leeds, United Kingdom
- Minsk, Belarus
- Trikala, Greece



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TRAVELLING to BRASOV

The major airlines are operating to Bucharest „Henri Coanda Otopeni” International Airport, from all over the world.

The Organizing Committee will provide a pick-up service at Bucharest Airport. The fee for the pick-up service at Bucharest Airport is 50 Eur per person (round trip) and need to be paid upon arrival, at registration.

EVENT SHUTTLE

A shuttle-bus service on 30 minutes interval connects the ALPIN Hotel with the Olympic Arena and return, starting with the first day of practice (Wednesday, September 21st, 2011). The shuttle will run according to the final time and practice schedule which will be distributed in due time, by e-mail and at the time of registration, too.

REGISTRATION

The registration for all teams will be held at ALPIN Hotel, upon arrival, on September 20th, 2011. After this date, the OC office will move to the Olympic Arena.

ACCREDITATION

Accreditation as a Team Member, will be given to all entered Judges, Competitors and one Team Leader per participating team, 1 coach per Competitor, a maximum of 2 Team Officials of the 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 2 medical persons. Accreditation will be given to the persons in those various functions, if they are officially entered and named through their National Federation/Association. The ISU Members certify through the signed forms the indicated functions within the team. 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.

In case of lost, a new accreditation can be issued, for 10 Eur.

Passports of the skaters must be presented at the accreditation, for verification!

CHAPERONES

Officially entered Chaperones (one per skater) will not be accredited, but will receive a special ticket to have access to all practice sessions, competitions and join the shuttle bus service **free of charge**.

ANTI-DOPING CONTROLS

Anti-Doping tests will be conducted in accordance with the current ISU Anti-Doping Code, as published in the ISU Communications No.1650 and 1651, or any further updates. The tests will be taken from each first placed skater/couple. One skater from the remainder of the skaters will be randomly selected, by 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.

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



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PRELIMINARY EVENT SCHEDULE

Tuesday, September 20, 2011	All day	Arrival of Teams and Accreditation
Wednesday, September 21, 2011	All day	Official Practice
	11:30	Team Leaders Meeting
	16:00	Referee and Technical Controllers Meeting
	17:00	Judges Draw and Meeting
	20:30	ISU and Judges Dinner
Thursday, September 22, 2011		LADIES – Short Program MEN – Short Program
Friday, September 23, 2011		ICE DANCE – Short Dance LADIES – Free Skating Victory Ceremonies LADIES
Saturday, September 24, 2011	08:30 – 09:00	Round Table Discussion – LADIES
		MEN – Free Skating ICE DANCE – Free Dance Victory Ceremonies MEN ICE DANCE
		GALA EXHIBITION
	18:30 – 19:30	Round Table Discussion – MEN
	19:30 – 20:30	Round Table Discussion – ICE DANCE
	21:00	Closing Banquet

Please note:

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



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SOCIAL EVENTS and MEETINGS

Team Leaders Meeting

Wednesday, September 21st, 2011 – 11.30

Olympic Arena (rink) - 1st floor, Draw and Conference Hall

INITIAL STARTING ORDER DRAW

Wednesday, September 21st, 2011

Olympic Arena (rink) - 1st floor, Draw and Conference Hall

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

INTERMEDIATE DRAWS

Will be held 15 minutes after the conclusion of the respective Short Program and Short Dance in the Olympic Arena (rink), 1st floor, Draw and Conference Hall.

REFEREES and TECHNICAL CONTROLLERS MEETING

Wednesday, September 21st, 2011 - 16.00

“ALPIN” Hotel

JUDGES MEETING and DRAW

Wednesday, September 21st, 2011

“ALPIN” Hotel

ISU and JUDGES DINNER

Wednesday, September 21st, 2011 – 20.30

The Organizing Committee has the pleasure to invite all the Referees, Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists, Data Operators, Replay Operator and Judges, to a welcome dinner. The place will be announced in due time.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSIONS

The Round Table Discussion for Ladies will take place on Saturday, September 23rd, 2011 at “ALPIN” Hotel, at 08.30, those for Men and Ice Dance will be held in the ice rink, at 18.30, respectively 19.30.

CLOSING BANQUET

Saturday, September 24th, 2011

All the Officials, Judges, Coaches and Skaters are invited to attend the closing banquet, at the “ALPIN” Hotel, at 21.00h. All other persons can purchase invitations for 40 Eur.

MISCELLANEOUS

Additional practice before the start of the competition

Additional practice before the start of the competition will be available, on request. The price per hour is 130 Eur.



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WEATHER

The average temperature in Brasov and Poiana Brasov, early September, is 13,5 °C, but midday can reach 25°C.

ELECTRICITY

The electricity supply is 220V, 50 Hz. The official type is "type F Schuko plug". Adapters may be required.

TELEPHONE and CELL PHONE SERVICE

Public phones are available at almost every street corner in the city. They only accept telephone cards. Call charges depend on the time of the day and provider. The international code for Romania is +40.

Local providers are: ROMTELECOM, VODAFONE, ORANGE, COSMOTE.

BANKS

Regular banking hours in Brasov are from Monday to Friday from 09.00h to 17.00h.

MONEY EXCHANGE

Each bank has a "money changing counter". ATM cash machines are available throughout the city.

TRIP to "DRACULA" Castle and "PELES" Castle

During the competition, the OC will organize a trip to "DRACULA" Castle and PELES Castle (the Royal Family's residence). The price for DRACULA is 30 Eur and for PELES is 50 Eur, meaning transportation, entry ticket and English speaking guide.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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