

Dear colleagues!

Russian Inline-Skater Hockey Federation is pleased to welcome the IISHF members in Moscow for the General Meeting at the end of February 2020.

Next to the Annual General Meeting the RISHF, with the support of IISHF Presidium, conducts an international conference titled “Sports cluster as a magnetic center for the urban community. International experience and Russian social innovations”. The conference is of strategic importance for popularization inline-skater hockey, enhancement of IISHF image in the international sports community and we envision that this event will become a key tool for the involvement of new countries to our International Federation.

The conference is a great opportunity for the representatives of all countries to talk about the specifics of sports management in their countries, to share their own experience in the creation and development of different models of the club system in the municipal, school and private areas, to talk about the infrastructure and cooperation with partners, sponsors and government, as well as to raise the importance of the Sports Federation activities for the population integration in sport in different countries. The conference will be a platform to support national Federations and will be an example of building positive international relations.

In Attachment 1 we are sending you a more detailed program prepared for you for the entire period of your stay in Moscow from February 27 to March 01, 2020. Next to the Conference, the IISHF Working Meeting and IISHF General Meeting the program includes exciting cultural events. The IISHF has agreed to cover the costs for the Ballet “Romeo at Julia” at the Kremlin Palace and the Moscow Sightseeing Tour and joint dinner on Saturday.

Dear delegates, the IISHF Presidium and RISHF are currently negotiating with different countries to involve them in our sport and to invite them to the conference in Moscow. We ask all delegates to support this initiative and prepare reports for the conference. On our part, taking into account the limited time for the preparation for the events and the necessity to obtain visas, we ask you to fill out two questionnaires posted on Google Forms:

1. The first questionnaire - general information about the trip and your plans to attend events in Moscow. The deadline for completing the questionnaire is **December 15, 2019**: <https://forms.gle/mRU6obqYG486iYJU6>
2. The second questionnaire is required by RISHF for official invitations, which all delegates will need to obtain a visa to Russia. The deadline for completing the questionnaire is **December 10, 2019**: <https://forms.gle/air3dWUhRY5kseax7>. These terms are indicated due to the fact that the preparation of the official invitation takes approximately 20 days. If the delegates wish to obtain their own visas through a travel agency, please let us know.

The following RISHF employees will coordinate the work on executing an invitation for visa support, hotel reservations and transfers, as well the preparation of reports for the conference:

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On behalf of the IISHF Vice President André Poddubny supports the the preparation of presentations from IISHF member federations for the Conference.

Sincerely,

Igor Kolesov