

Communication No. 2809

ISU Synchro9 Development Seminar for Coaches and Officials

With the support of ISU Development, the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee is organizing an International Synchro9 Development Seminar for Coaches and Officials in:

Berlin, Germany, September 4-6, 2026

The aim of the Seminar is the development of Synchronized Skating Coaches with the introduction of the Synchro9 category. Members of the SyS Technical Committee will moderate the Seminar. Daily classes both on and off ice will include discussions around choreography theory and Synchro9 judging requirements.

1. Details

There will be two demo Synchro9 Teams and the moderators will be available for any questions.

The Seminar is intended for all Coaches Worldwide as well as interested Officials. Priority will be given to Junior and Senior Synchro9 Team Coaches and/or Assistant coaches.

Those who are willing to discover and/or improve their knowledge of Synchro9 are welcome. A maximum of 60 participants will be accepted.

Applications made by Officials will be accepted provided there are spots available.

Please note that Applications should be submitted ONLY if the applicant plans to attend if offered a place once acceptances are communicated.

Accepted participants should arrange to arrive in Berlin airport on Friday, September 4. The opening of the Seminar will be on September 4 at 19:00 (7pm). The seminar will end on Sunday, September 6 at 13:00 (1:00PM).

2. The Moderating Team for the Seminar:

Synchro9 Sports Rules	Nina Bischoff
	Ida Hellström
Synchro9 WBP	Karin Sherr
Coach Moderator	Heather Paige
Demo Team(s)	Synchro9 Teams GER

3. Location

Rink: Sportforum Hohenschönhausen

HOTEL INFORMATION:

- Main Hotel - NH Hotel Berlin Alexanderplatz: €220.00 per night (including breakfast)
- Good Morning Berlin: €137.00 per night (including breakfast)

NOTE: Rooms will be set aside for accepted participants – once accepted, participants are required to call the hotel of their choice and book their room.

4. Meals

Meals will be available on site for purchase starting from; Dinner on Friday, September 4th, to Lunch on Sunday, September 6th, 2026.

- 25,00€ per meal per person including a drink
- Once accepted, participants will be given the option of purchasing meals

5. Language:

The Seminar will be conducted in English.

6. Entry and Participation criteria and conditions

- a) In order to provide adequate quality in the Seminar the ISU will limit the capacity to 60 Participants.
- b) A waiting list will be created for those who cannot be accepted in the first instance in order to offer the opportunity for participation, should cancellations occur. ISU Members are requested to be considerate with the timing of cancellations in order to give other Coaches the chance to participate.
- c) Each ISU Member may enter a coach, assistant coach and/or an Official to the Seminar. In the case of too many entries, the ISU will reduce the number using primarily number of applications made per member and/or the region as a limitation.
- d) In addition, the Synchronized Skating Technical Committee will check the list of entries and accept only participants for which it sees a possibility of future development.
- e) Legitimate Coaches of Synchro9 Teams will be prioritized. Coaches must be coaching the Synchro9 Team for the 2026-27 season.
- f) Participants are encouraged to stay at one of the designated hotels and join the group for all meals to help ensure a connected and enjoyable Seminar experience for everyone.
- g) Accepted Participants must take part from the beginning to the end of the Seminar unless they receive permission to do otherwise prior to acceptance.

7. Expenses

The financial responsibility for the Seminar is as follows:

- The Seminar expenses for moderators, classroom and ice will be borne by the ISU for the period from the evening of September 4, 2026, to the morning of September 6, 2026.
- ISU Members will be responsible for the hotel, meals, and all travel expenses to Berlin for their coaches/officials.
- Note: Transportation to and from the airport, ice rink will not be provided.

8. Cancellation policy:

ISU Members are requested to be considerate with the timing of cancellations in order to give others the chance to participate. Agreements made with the hotel/meals must be honored.

9. Applications

Completed Application forms for this Seminar should be forwarded no later than 30 July, 2026 to the following:

- Nina Bischoff nina.bischoff@isu.org
- Ida Hellström ida.hellstrom@isu.org
- Cathy Dalton cathy.dalton@isu.org
- ISU Development development@isu.org

Coaches/Officials/Members will be notified of the acceptance of their application, together with other details by Nina Bischoff, Chair ISU Synchronized Skating Technical Committee as soon as possible after the deadline for applications.

July 15, 2026

Jae Youl Kim, President

Colin Smith, Director General