



INTERNATIONAL BOBSLEIGH & SKELETON FEDERATION

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REPORT

Development program 2021/22

The development program 2021/22 was created based on the facts and figures of the 2019/20 season. Since the program could not be carried out in the previous season due to covid-19 pandemic, concrete figures and empirical values were missing.

The program was divided into 4 areas, each of which is reported on separately.

- 1. Development Program**
- 2. Coaches**
- 3. Financial support for Federations**
- 4. Budget**

1. Development Program

All planned measures within the guidelines of the development program could be carried out. The unforeseen closing of the bobsleigh track in Königssee could be compensated by the track in Innsbruck/Igls. The Covid pandemic and the accompanying travel restrictions were a key issue for participation and minimized the number of participants.

Both bobsleigh and skeleton schools (Innsbruck and Lake Placid) were managed by Nicola Minichiello in coordination with myself. As a whole we made the best possible use of a tight program. In addition to workshops in material maintenance, motivation and strategy seminars, all participants completed an anti-doping seminar (WADA online course).

The tables below give an overview of the number of participants (only the pilots are listed) and the nations. In all measures, the track times, where possible, were also made available to athletes/nations who are not in the Development Program. This was well accepted and both sides could profit from this cooperation.



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Europe:

number	place	male	female	nationen	disciplin	coach
1.1.	Lillehammer	10	7	9	Bob	Maskalans
		9	4	9	SKN	Velicu
1.2.	Altenberg	8	4	6	Bob	Maskalans
1.3.	Sigulda	7	7	6	SKN	Velicu
1.4.	Altenberg	3	2	3	SKN	Velicu
1.5.	Innsbruck	10	9	7	Bob	Maskalans
		9	4	7	SKN	Velicu

Northamerica:

number	place	male	female	nationen	disciplin	coach
2.1.	Lake Placid	4	4	8	Bob	Berghorn
		3	1	4	SKN	Vienneau
2.2.	Whistler	2	1	3	Bob	Berghorn
		6	5	7	SKN	Blaser
2.3.	Park City	3	6	7	Bob	Berghorn
		4	2	5	SKN	Vienneau
2.4.	Lake Placid	5	9	5	Bob	Berghorn
		5	2	4	SKN	Blaser

2.Coaches

Our coaches trained the athletes in both disciplines in the EC, NAC and ICC series, the JWCH and at the Development Camps. In the bobsleigh and skeleton school, we also worked with local coaches in both disciplines. In addition to track coaching, numerous assistance was provided in terms of athletics, material, organization as well as strategy.

All coaches have excellent know-how in bobsleigh and skeleton, do an excellent job and are always interested in their further development in the spirit of the sport.

During around 300 days, our coaches looked after our athletes directly at the track and were available with advice and support.

The following coaches were on duty;

Bobsleigh: Edgars Maskalans (Europe) and Bryan Berghorn (North America)
Additional coaches for the bobsleigh school in Innsbruck were Sarah Monk and Patrick Geiger.

Skeleton: Dorin Velicu (Europe) and Nick Vienneau/Andrew Blaser (North America), as well as Markus Penz (Skeleton School Innsbruck)



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3. Financial support for Federations

All applicant federations that met the guidelines of the development program were granted financial support according to a uniform system (see table). Due to the high costs for the nations in an Olympic season and the additional costs caused by the Covid pandemic, we decided to almost double the budget.

Financial Support 2021-22

NAT	disciplin				support			coment	assistance
	BOB m	BOB w	SKN m	SKN w	Coach.	Financ.	Startup		
ASA					X			Cooperation SKN with AUT	2.000,00 €
ASIA	X	X	X	X			X	new generation support	14.000,00 €
AUS	X%	X	X%	X%	X	?		Cooper. GBR/Bob, AUT/NED/SKN	10.000,00 €
BEL		X	X	X	X			Cooperation with NED/Bob	10.000,00 €
BRA		X		X	X			Cooper. USA/Bob, ITA/SKN	10.000,00 €
CRO									7.000,00 €
CZE					X			Cooperation AUT/SKN	2.000,00 €
DEN	X		X				X	Startup for new athletes	8.000,00 €
ESP			X	X					6.000,00 €
FRA		X	X	X					9.000,00 €
GBR	X%	X%				X		support Transport	5.000,00 €
GHA			X%		X		X	Cooperation with RUS, Startup	5.500,00 €
IRL					X			Cooperation with ISR	2.000,00 €
ISR	X%		X%	X%	X			Cooperation with IRL	6.500,00 €
ITA						X		Support Transport	2.000,00 €
JAM	X%	X%							3.000,00 €
JPN								Cooperation with SUI/Bob	2.000,00 €
LUX					X			Cooperation with AUT/SKN	2.000,00 €
MLT				X%	X			Cooperation whith USA/SKN	3.500,00 €
NED			X				X	Startup for new athletes	5.000,00 €
NIG	X%	X%		X%	X%			Cooperation NED/SKN only ITP	5.000,00 €
NOR		X					X	Startup for new athletes	5.000,00 €
POL	X	X	X	X	X			Cooperation with LAT/SKN	10.000,00 €
SRB	X						X	new generation support	5.000,00 €
SVK	X	X							6.000,00 €
SWE				X	X		X	Coop. AUT/SKN, new athl. prog.	7.000,00 €
UKR		X%					X	new generation support/SKN	3.500,00 €
ISV					X			Cooperation with AUT/SKN	2.000,00 €
									158.000,00 €

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- 1.) max. € 3000.- per disciplin in the Development criteria's , max. € 1500.- per disciplin out of the criteria's
 - 2.) startup - for nations that are new or those that resume their work, or with a good future strategy (€ 1000.- - max. € 5000.-)
 - 3.) training cooperations – regarding the DVP – guidelines
 - 4.) billing after accounting, paid in two instalments (1st rate after a positive decision, 2nd rate after the season)



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4. Budget

The budget for all programs and measures was decided and approved in June 2021 at **€ 500.000,-**.

In total, the budget was exceeded by **€ 13.602,00**. This is due to the annual depreciation for sports equipment (2-man bobsleds), which was not included in my calculation.

The details can be seen in the table below.

title	estimate	costs	difference
Development	€ 240.000,00	€ 250.972,00	€ 10.972,00
Coaches/Coordinators	€ 110.000,00	€ 89.498,20	-€ 20.501,80
Financial Support	€ 150.000,00	€ 158.000,00	€ 8.000,00
Depreciation Sport Material	€ 0,00	€ 15.132,00	€ 15.132,00
Total	€ 500.000,00	€ 513.602,20	€ 13.602,00

The table shows the budget requested and the actual costs incurred during the season.

Summary:

Development Program: The number of participants fell short of expectations. This is due to the Covid-19 pandemic as well as travel restrictions. In addition, many nations have had to discontinue/neglect the build-up program for the Youth due to the additional financial burden caused by the Covid-19 measures and the Olympic preparations.

Coaches/Coordinators: With the proven team around Edgars Maskalans, Bryan Berghorn (both bobsleigh) and Dorin Velicu (skeleton) we are well positioned. With Nick Vienneau and Andrew Blaser for North America, we had two coaches for skeleton in place this season. With the NAC/ICC coordinator, Nicola Minichiello, there is intensive contact and a very good cooperation. Also the work between the Para coordinator, Kristaps Kotans, is intensified in view of joint training camps, as well as for the Youth Games and qualification and is on a very good level.

Financial Support: 30 nations were financially supported on request. The calculated framework was fully exhausted and slightly overdrawn.

We look back on another difficult season with numerous hurdles (Covid-19). During the season, I was mostly involved as Covid coordinator in all series and especially in the World Cup and Olympic Winter Games in Beijing, and could only do my work as Development Coordinator to a limited extent.



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The pre-season training camp in Lake Placid was poorly attended - the pandemic, as well as the ITP in Beijing, did not help the field of participants in North America. Furthermore, a training camp of the "Snipers Club" (Joe Cecchini) was held in Whistler at the same time. This ambitious club could also be included in the development work. In this regard, talks are in preparation.

The two bobsleigh and skeleton schools at the end of the season were well attended, especially in the bobsleigh area.

Overall, we are not entirely dissatisfied with the development of the athletes in the Development Program. Through the increase of the budget item "Financial Support" 30 nations could be supported. This corresponds to an increase of over 30% compared to the previous year.

Preview:

The developed program, with the pre-season training camps before the IBSF races (EC/NAC and ICC), was well received by the athletes and coordinators.

In the new program, we will have another focus for Youth athletes (YOG 2024 Ganwong). Currently the qualification guidelines are being worked out.

With the establishment of the Junior Challenge Cup in skeleton, another youth project is in the starting blocks.

As soon as the 2022/23 calendar is ready, the key points of the new program will be discussed intensively with the responsible coordinators and coaches and then submitted to the Executive Commission for finalization and approval.

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