

February 9, 2020

US Olympic and Paralympic Training Center, Lake Placid, NY

### **February 2020: Meeting of the Athlete Selection Committee**

Rebecca Sereda: Athlete Representative

Nataliya Kozitskaya: IEC Chair

Elena Savenkova: Brevet Judge

Caroline Hunt: Program Director (non-voting)

The purpose of the meeting is to establish results-based international assignments following the 2020 Challenge/Invitational in line with the Rules of Policies of USA Gymnastics and the Rhythmic Program.

International competitions serve the purpose of experience-based development in preparation for the priority events for the rhythmic program of USA Gymnastics in 2020 as well as development for the 2021 priority events.

Gymnasts named to represent USA Gymnastics in an official FIG event 1. Must be US citizens and 2. A National Team Member. Note: gymnasts who receive an international assignment that were not on the National Team at the 2020 Rhythmic Challenge become unranked members of the National Team; all gymnasts currently on the National Team retain that position until the new National Team is named at USA Gymnastics Championships.

Gymnasts provided official permission to compete in specifically-selected non-FIG tournaments represent their club on behalf of USA Gymnastics and are not considered National Team members (*unless currently on the National Team, see above.*) \*Additional athletes will not be accepted into the events below. Gymnasts who competed in the 2020 Rhythmic Challenge & Level 9-10 Invitational may request permission to compete in international club tournaments per the Rules and Policies.

As most events have self-funding components, the following are opportunities for official representation will be offered to athletes and their acceptance will be based on ability to travel, etc:

#### **Juniors: Goals for international preparation:**

1. Pacific Rim Team composition
2. Development for 2021 JR World Championships

#### **Selection:**

- Top 6 Juniors from combined JR Challenge/Invitational for official assignments representing USA
- Top 4 2007 from Invitational and top 3 Hopes for development

#### **Seniors: Goals for international preparation:**

1. 2020 Olympic Games preparation
2. 2020 Pan American Championships
3. 2020 Pacific Rim
4. 2021 World development

#### **Selection:**

- Top 8 seniors
- Additional 5 Challenge/Invite combined for developmental experience (with AA scores above 60.00)

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>Senior</b>	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Hopes</b>
<b>Miss Valentine Grand Prix</b> FIG tournament	Feb 26-March 3	Zeng Mizuno	JR compete in separate age categories only 2005: Kautzman 2006: Portnov 2007: Gow	Rusak Chu Keys
<b>Brno Grand Prix</b>	March 7-8	Griskenas	JR compete in teams: 2/team, 8 routines per team (teams TBD) Portnov Foster Gow Mariotti	
<b>Marbella Grand Prix</b>	March 12-15	Hopkins-Wilkins		
<b>Lisbon Tournament</b>	March 12-15	Griskenas, Mizuno, Shinohara, Kobelev, Francis, Richardson	Foster Ceo Mariotti	
<b>Kiev Grand Prix</b> FIG Tournament	March 19-22	Hopkins-Wilkins Zhao	Kautzman	Rusak
<b>Thiais Grand Prix</b>	March 28-29	Zeng; USA Senior Group		
<b>MTM Ljubljana</b>	March 28-29	Hop-Wilkins, Shinohara, Francis	Ceo	Rusak Chu Keys
<b>Pesaro World Cup</b>	April 3-5	Zeng, Mizuno; USA Senior Group		
<b>Sofia Tournament</b>	April 5-7	Kobolev, Richardson	Team of 2 (TBD) Portnov Ceo Gow Mariotti	
<b>Sofia World Cup</b>	April 10-12	Griskenas, Mizuno, USA Senior Group		
<b>AmstermMasters (non-FIG)</b>	April 11-12	Xiao, Merkulova, Pavlovic, Avila	Top 4 2007: Vilyutite Kramer Greppi Ebert	
<b>Pacific Rim</b>	April 17-19	Zeng, Hopkins-Wilkins, Mizuno, Shinohara	Kautzman, Foster (most experienced JR with team experience)	
<b>Baku World Cup</b>	April 24-26	Zeng, Griskenas		
<b>Portimao World Challenge Cup</b>	May 8-10	Griskenas		
<b>Pan American Championships</b>	May 8-10	Hopkins-Wilkins, Mizuno, Kobolev; USA Senior Group		

<b>Cluj World Challenge Cup</b>	June 26-28	Hopkins-Wilkins		
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