

ISIA Asia Coaches Accreditation Program

ISIA Asia is very proud to announce the instigation of a new educational certification program for coaches.

This will take the form of a series of seminar courses that will be held during the Skate Asia competition every year, and will lead interested coaches through 5 levels from teaching beginners through to understanding the demands of a pro-rated coach.

Our first Accredited Seminar Level 1 "Basic Skills Coach" was held in Jakarta on August 11-13, and 70 coaches attended all the 5 sessions.

The course covered Basic Skills Coaching, from beginner to Delta level, and Ethics of coaching and was introduced by the current president Mr Harry Janto Leo, and the ISI US speakers, Margy Bennett, Jean Albrightson, and Patti Feeney, who shared their experience of professionalism in our sport, and the nurturing of young skaters.

Cindy Solberg assisted by Mr Indy Wong, then gave a detailed on-ice demonstration of innovative coaching methods and accepted standards for all the basic skating elements.

For the sessions on day 2 and 3 we were so fortunate to have Coach Kori Ade as the guest speaker, assisted during her on-ice sessions by some high level Indonesian skaters.

She covered jump technique from bunny hops to triples, and was truly impressive in her handling of the young athletes, and how she pushed them to try new methods and achieve new goals. All the coaches were enthralled by her clear technical theories, engaging motivational coaching manner, and her calm demand for excellence.

Kori finished with an edge class and fun interpretive session reminding all coaches they are skaters and choreographers too.

We all left Jakarta fully inspired to return to our students with fresh ideas and are eagerly looking forward to Skate Asia 2018 in Bangkok when the US Referees and Kori Ade will return for level 2 "Competition Coach".

