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**12th World Cadet, Junior
and Senior Championships
and World Cup for Children**

23rd - 25th June 2017

Belgrade, SERBIA

Dear friends,

There is a little more than a month until our major international event will take place - the 12th Cadet, Junior and Senior Championships and World Cup for Children in Belgrade, Serbia.

The local organizing committee is very active and is making final preparations for the upcoming championships. The hosting federation, SKU - Serbian Karate Union has appointed a well known sport manager, Mr. Zoran Ćendić, for the Championships director. Ex karate champion and actual President of the Serbian Taekwondo Association, Mr. Ćendić is a great support and an excellent organizer, responsible for the technical matters as well as for the logistics in general. We are very fortunate and proud to have him in our team! We assure you that we are doing our best to organize a fantastic event with the top technical equipment and skilled teams.



Local Organizing Committee



Zoran Ćendić, tournament director

The Championships will take place in a well known sport arena, located in the new part of town, New Belgrade, the biggest and the most populated municipality of Belgrade, close to the Airport and the river banks.

SPORT HALL "Ranko Žeravica"
Address: Pariske komune, 20, Novi Beograd

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

DATE	WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
22nd June, Thursday	14.00 – 18.00	REGISTRATION	Hotel Jugoslavija
23rd June, Friday	9.00 – 15.00	REGISTRATION	Hotel Jugoslavija
23rd June, Friday	10.00 – 18.00	REFEREE/COACH SEMINAR	Hotel Jugoslavija
23rd June, Friday	18.00	WKC CONGRESS	Hotel Jugoslavija
24th June, Saturday	8.00 – 20.00	CHAMPIONSHIPS	Sport Hall
25th June, Sunday	8.00 – 20.00	CHAMPIONSHIPS	Sport Hall

Please note that the program is subject to the change and will depend on the number of entries and other circumstances that can not be predicted at the moment, but we will stick to the scheduled dates only..

REGISTRATION



Deadline for online registration is the 15th of June, 2017! The program will automatically close after this date!

Please read carefully and check the rules and categories on our website:

<http://wkc-org.net/technical>

Also please note that new team categories have been added for children (kata teams 8-11 yrs; kata and kumite teams 12-13 yrs) as well as kata and kumite teams for cadets!

Online registration will open on Monday, the 22nd of May and will end up on the 15th of June!

Link for the registration is:

<http://wkc.fiamsport.it/>

This is a quite an easy program, that should not be a problem to handle. Full registration instruction manual can be found on the link:

http://wkc.fiamsport.it/web_intro_files/WKC_registration.pdf

In case you need some assistance, Mr. Marcello Penna, WKC officer responsible for registration, draw and event management, will be willing to help!

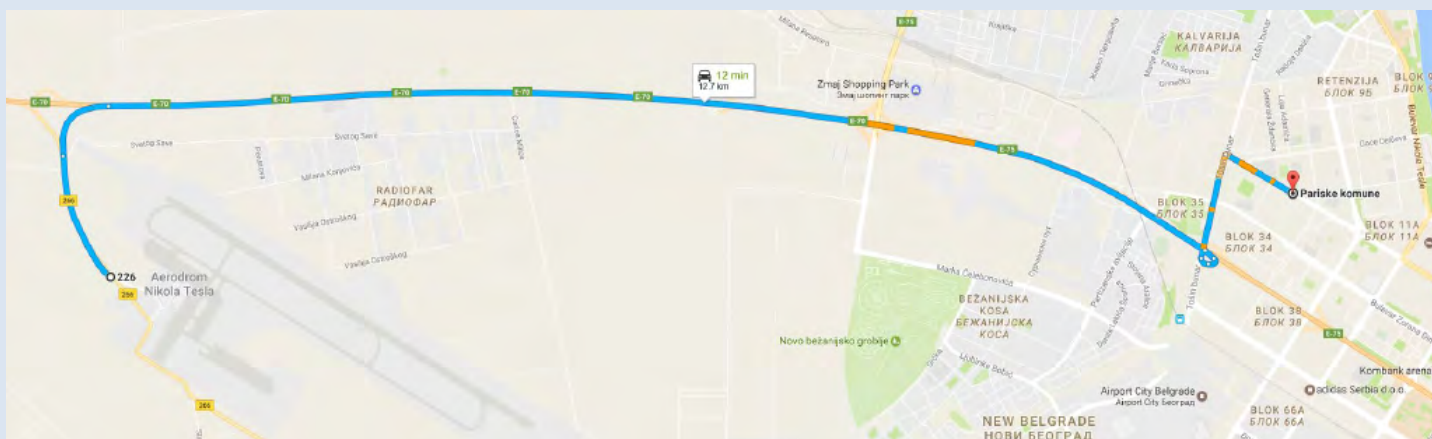
You may contact Mr. Penna for any registration issue to the following email address:
registration@wkc.fiamsport.it

ENTRY FEES:

35 € - individual; 70 € - teams; 35 € - coach; referees - free

This Newsletter contains some more detailed information and helpful tips concerning various aspects of the Championships and other issues throughout your stay in Belgrade.

TRANSPORT AIRPORT - HOTEL - AIRPORT



First of all, we want to inform you that all groups traveling by air will be met at the airport by our hostess who will assist you with the transport!

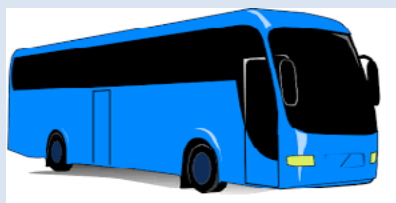
There are 3 possible ways to organize transportation to your hotel, regardless of number of people in your group:

1. Taxi service



There is a "Taxi info desk" in the arrival area (ground floor) where you can buy vouchers for a regular taxi service. You should not be taking "freelancers" because of uncertain and problematic rates! Go to the exchange office and change some smaller amount of your currency into Serbian dinars (rate: 1 € = 120 din.). The fare for a ride in the 1st zone, and all hotels are located in this zone, is 1.400 dinars (12 €). One taxi cab can take 4 passengers.

2. AIRPORT BUS – Line A 1



Departures from the Airport are every 20 minutes. Tickets are purchased on the bus and cost 300 dinars (2,50 €). Ask the driver where to get off, this line goes close to all of the hotels, but there is a little bit to walk!

You can see the timetable at the following link:

http://www.beg.aero/upload/a1_map_&_timetable.pdf

3. PUBLIC BUS – Line 72



Public bus service operates every 40 minutes from 4.00 till 23.40 hrs. Tickets are purchased on the bus and cost 150 dinars (1,20 €). Ask the driver where to get off for your hotel!

All information concerning Airport and transportation can also be found at the web site:

<http://www.beg.aero/en/strana/8811/autobus>

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION & BOOKING



- 1 – Sport Hall
- 2 – Hotel Tulip Inn
- 3 – Hotel Yugoslavia
- 4 – Hotel Crowne Plaza

Please find attached "the hotel reservation form" which should be filled in and returned to the SKU of office email address (bellow) as soon as possible in order to guarantee availability and fares given.

Email address: srpskakarateunija@gmail.com

HOTELS

Hotel JUGOSLAVIJA (Yugoslavia) - 3 stars - The old lady on Danube



This hotel was chosen for its great location, facilities and spacious public halls. Located on the Danube bank, Hotel Jugoslaviya has free private parking, 4 a la carte restaurants, various shops and hairdressers. The hotel's Tex Mex Zapata restaurant serves Mexican cuisine, while the other restaurant features American-style burgers. Guests will also find Sugar and Spice, a pancake house in style of seventies, and an Italian-Serbian restaurant.

Hotel Tulip Inn Putnik - 3 stars



It is situated in New Belgrade's centre, a business hub just 100 m away from the Danube river bank. Member of the Golden Tulip Hospitality Group, this hotel is a 10-minute drive away from Belgrade's historical centre.

Free Wi-Fi and free private parking are also provided. Reception is also available 24 hours at the Putnik Tulip Inn. Guests can use the fitness and spa centre free of charge.

Crowne Plaza - 4 stars



The luxurious Crowne Plaza Belgrade is ideally located in the central business district of New Belgrade. The city centre can be reached in a 5-minute drive, while 2 shopping centres are just a few steps away. There is a Spa Centre and fitness area on site, as well as an indoor pool. Guests can enjoy local cuisine in 2 on-site restaurants.

The newly appointed rooms are air-conditioned and feature a desk and chair, a minibar and a flat-screen TV. Private bathroom offers a shower and free toiletries. Free Wi-Fi is provided throughout the hotel.

Crowne Plaza Belgrade is the ideal venue for convention guests, as the hotel connects directly into Sava Centre, the biggest convention centre in Belgrade. The hotel itself features the largest meeting and banquet hall in the country. Sport Hall can be reached in a 20 minutes walk or 5-10 minutes by public transportation.

HOTEL RATES

(in euro, per person, per day)
bed & breakfast

Hotel	Jugoslavija	Tulip Inn	Crowne Plaza
single room	43	60	-
double room	33	40	40
triple room	33	-	40
dinner supplement	6	10	-

WEATHER, LOCAL TIME, FOOD, CURRENCY



We believe that the participants of our forthcoming tournament will definitely enjoy good weather in June, warm, but not too hot yet, since it is one of the most beautiful months as far as the climate is concerned. The date of the tournament comes in the first two summer days! Our tournament will start on the longest day of the year!

Few days prior to your scheduled arrival you may check the local weather on:

<http://www.accuweather.com/en/rs/belgrade/298198/weather-forecast/298198>

Serbia is in the Central European Time Zone . Central European Standard Time (CET) is 1 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+1).

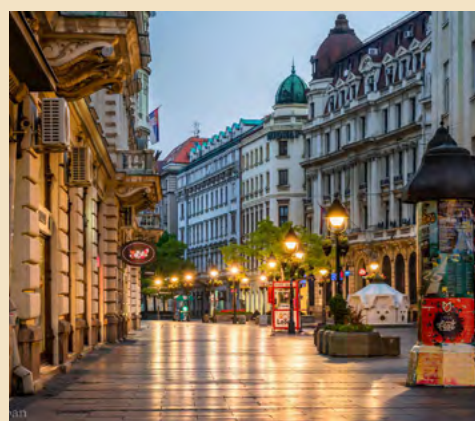
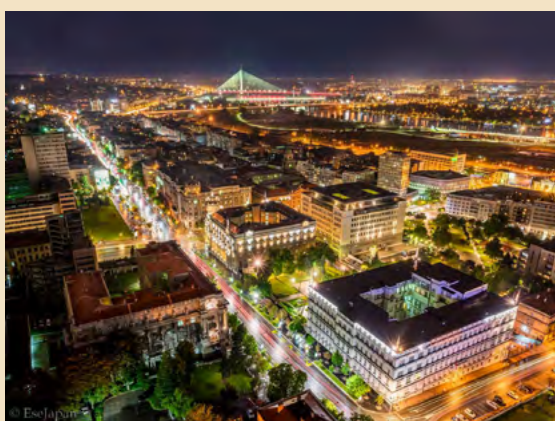
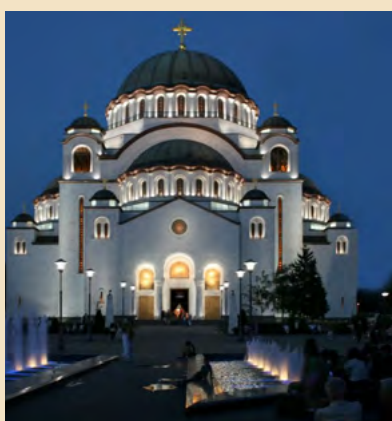


Serbian currency is dinar (RSD) and it equals 120 to 1 € or 110 to 1 \$. There are many banks and exchange offices all around the city. All credit cards are also accepted at the great majority of shops and restaurants.

Serbia is well known for its culinary specialties, so food should not be an issue for anyone! Water from the tap is drinkable. There are dozens of restaurants and fast food places everywhere in the area around the sport hall and all the way to your hotels for each taste and for every budget.



Finally, here is a small preview what the Belgrade City looks like. We hope you will bring unforgettable memories from our event and our city!



Looking forward to seeing you soon!
Yours sincerely,
Organizing Committee

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