

To all WKC member federations

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Dear Mr. President,

The 9th WKC World Championships and the 5th WKC Congress in Melbourne, Australia, last month have been a great success for the local organiser as well as the WKC. We thank the Karate Alliance Australia KAA, its President Keith Geyer as well as his organising team for having worked so hard to make everybody feel welcome and happy. Despite the long journey and the high costs of travel, our member federations from North and South America, Asia and Europe attended this prestigious event. Some federations consisted of more than 50 competitors a fantastic effort all the way to Australia.

At the Congress the following persons have been elected to the Executive Committee for the period of 4 year:

President:Marko Nicović, Serbia (SKU)(re-elected)Vice-Presidents:Roland Dietrich, Germany (GKC)(re-elected)Dott. Bruno Gilardi, Italy (FIAM)(re-elected)

Keith Geyer, Australia (KAA)

Dr. Viatcheslav Timofeev, Russia (KFR)

The Congress delegates approved unanimously the financial statements for the past year 2012 as well as the budget for the years 2013/2014.

Mr. Rudolf Rammer, Austria (AKC) was re-elected as Auditor.

The Congress also approved the project of an *Open International WKC Championships for Cadets, Juniors and Seniors* on $25^{th}/26^{th}$ *January 2014 in Munich, Germany.* The 9^{th} *WKC European Championships* will be organised in June 2014 in *Cheboksari* (near Kazan), Russia and *the 9^{th} WKC Cadet & Junior World Championships and World Cup for Children* in *Buenos Aires*, Argentina in October 2014.

We will give you the details on all events in due time.

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You certainly are aware that Karate (represented by the World Karate Federation WKF) was not admitted as an additional sport for the Olympic Games in 2020 by the IOC Executive

Board. Instead the Executive Board proposed Squash and Baseball/Softball as additional sports to the IOC Session which will make a final vote in September in Buenos Aires. This is for the 5th time that the WKF leadership failed to bring karate to the Olympics despite all its promises of the last 20 years!

Kind regards

Marko Nicović President World Karate Confederation

