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From the President

Dear friends.

There are just a little over two months left before the most prestigious competition this year – the 10th European Cup for Children, Cadets, Juniors and Seniors. Mr Marian Meşinschi and his team, our hosts in Resita, are doing their best to make this event a success and I am very thankful for their hard work and efforts so far.

On behalf of the ExCom I wish to express our deep appreciation for the help and support of the Mayor of Resita, Mr. Ioan Popa, a very successful businessman and politician, who stands

with us and generously cooperates in all aspects of the Championships!

I take this opportunity to remind you of several important things:

1. The Championships will take place in the Sala Polivalentă
Sports complex in Reşiţa, Romania
Address: Piaţa 1 Decembrie 1918 5, Reşiţa, Romania

2. The registration deadline is 8th of June, 2018 The link to register your team is: http://wkc.fiamsport.it/

3. PRELIMINARY PROGRAM:

Friday, 22nd June – Registration (10 AM – 6 PM)

Friday, 22nd June – Technical seminar, mandatory for all referees and coaches (10 AM – 6 PM)

Friday, 22nd June – Presidential meeting (6 PM)

Saturday, 23rd June – Competitions (children kata and kumite; cadet, junior, senior and over 40 kata)

Sunday, 24th June – Competitions (cadet, junior and senior kumite)

Please note that the precise program with timetable will be published only after the registration deadline!

- 4. Coaches and referees attending the seminar on Friday, June 22nd 2018, must bring karate gi, sportswear and/or uniform, as well as other necessary equipment.
- 5. All competitors must present a valid official document at registration; weight control is mandatory only for competitors competing in Sanbon kumite ("minus" categories only).

I believe we will have a successful tournament and that we will also enjoy our visit to the magnificent country, Romania, 18 years after our last event in it in 2000.

I wish you a pleasant and safe journey!

See you soon!

IMPORTANT NOTES:

Please hurry to make your hotel reservation as soon as you have made your travel itineraries! The reservation deadline is 1st May 2018 and the organizer can not guarantee rates and availability after this date!

All federations should use a prescribed "booking form" (find it attached) when making your reservation;

For all technical issues (event rules, categories, etc.) please visit our website https://wkc-org.net/technical

From the City Mayor of Resita

I believe the biggest challenge concerning sports nowadays is to succeed in helping children gain experience of the world and spend less time in front of the computer, by taking them to the gym, motivating them to work, guiding them, encouraging them to practice in order to become champions.

That is why I express my admiration for what you do, for your success in organizing this Championships and I am thankful for putting Resita on the map of prestigious sport competitions.

I can assure you of my full support. You will always find openness from the local authorities in Resita, because we want to stand by the athletes who practice or want to practice high performance sports.

I wish you all good luck!



City Mayor Ioan Popa

Dear friends,

I am sure we have met so many times before on many WKC events, but this will be the first time that we meet in my home town Resita on the occasion of the biggest WKC event in 2018 – 10th European Cup for Children, Cadets, Juniors and Seniors.

I am very excited and honored that my sports association SPORTSTAR ANINA will be host-



ing such a prestigious tournament and I have a great responsibility for the success of the event. Anyway, I am sure that you will feel very welcome in my town and my country and that you will take many pleasant memories home with you!

Marian Meşinschi, Chief of the Organizing Committee

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

WKC - KFR RUSSIA

On 1st April 2018 in Lytkarino, Moscow, the Federation of karate WKC of Russia held an open tournament "Sport for peace". 410 athletes from 17 regions of Russia, the Republic of Belarus, India and Serbia took part in the tournament. The competition was part of the preparations of Russia's national team for the 10th Cup and the European Championship, to be held in Romanian town Resita on June 23-24, 2018.

Dr. Viacheslav Timofeev, WKC Vice President, Dr Swaky Retinam from India, Regional president, and Dr Fritz Wendland,

At the opening ceremony participants welcomed the head of Lytkarino Mr Evgeny Serëgin. Dr Fritz Wendland (Germany), the founder of the world Confederation and Dr Retinam Swaky (India), the regional president for South-East Asia were honorary guests at the opening.

The next tournament is the WKC "Victory day," to be held in Thule on 5th May 2018. The leader of the Tula Regional Federation of karate WKC, Mr Vugar Ahmedov, has already prepared exclusive medals, a grand opening program and cash prizes in the 18+category.

Dr Vyacheslav Timofeev, the WKC Vice President, received 8th Dan diploma of the International Duel-

do karate-do Shihankai (Isks) from the founding President, Dr Fritz Wendland. Dr Timofeev is the only representative of Russia to receive such a high grade. The criteria for this recognition were the contribution to the development of world karate as well as the personal and detailed recommendations of the two highest Dan grades holders. All these conditions have been fulfilled and the commission has decided to accord Dr Timofeev an international recognition for the efforts of the President of the Federation of Karate WKC of Russia to promote karate in the world and Russia.



NORTHERN IRELAND

The official Northern Ireland Championships will take place in Belfast on Sunday, 29th April 2018



BELFAST

Queens University PE Centre, Botanic Park, Belfas
Traditional Karate (WKC Rules)
www.karatenorthernireland.co.uk

Karate Northern Ireland

CLAYTON

ARGENTINA

On the 28th March 2000 a group of karate practitioners and masters founded the UAK - Union Argentina de Karate at the club "Atlético Boca Juniors". Congratulations to our Argentinean friends for their 18th anniversary! We wish them every success in the future!



28 de marzo del año 2000 en el Club Atlético Boca Juniors, un grupo de entusiastas practicantes y maestros de "KARATE" fundaba UNIÓN ARGENTINA DE KARATE. ¡Felicidades a nuestros queridos amigos por un gran aniversario y queremos mucho éxito en el futuro!



ITALY

FIAM - Federazione Italiana Arti Marziali successfully organized Cup of Italy Wadokai on 14th/15th of April 2018 in San Benedetto Del Tronto.









UKRAINE

Ukrainian national karate confederation organized the National Open Championship of Ukraine, on 14th-15th of April 2018 in Dnipropetrovsk.



PHILIPPINES

Newly Installed PKL-Philippine Karatedo League Executive Officers took an Oath to the Vice President of the Philippines, Her Excellency Leni Robredo. The said karate League is headed by their Founder and Head Master, Shihan Dennis Aquino, a former Member of the Philippine National Karate Team, who is now managing his own karate school, the PKL, the largest multi style karate association in the Philippines with more than 40 branches nationwide and with branches in different countries. PKL is currently a member of the PSKF, Asia Pacific Shitoryu Karate Federation, World Shitoryu Karatedo Federation and the World Karate Confederation.



The Oath Taking Ceremony took place at the Office of the Philippine Vice President on March 12th 2018.

Chief Executive Officer and Marketing Director of the DA Brothers Sports and Gears Philippines (DQA SportsGears Trading), manufacturer of Martial Arts Uniform and Gears (Estilo Brand) and distributor of Imported Martial Arts Uniform.



His Excellency Rodrigo Duterte, President of the Republic of the Philippines

SERBIA

This year the SKU – Serbian Karate Union will celebrate its 20th anniversary (it was founded in 1998). "Novi Beograd" karate club also has a fantastic anniversary to celebrate –50 years have passed since the foundation of the oldest club in the country! Therefore, a big tournament will take place in Belgrade this autumn to celebrate these anniversaries and all federations and clubs are invited to take part. Photos bellow show some moments from the history of the club (Marko Nicovic started practicing karate in Paris in 1967, some recent photos and a group of club members at present).





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