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



"The sky above Belgrade is wide and high, unstable but always beautiful; even during winter serenities with their icy splendor; even during summer storms when the whole of it turns into a single gloomy cloud which, driven by the mad wind, carries the rain mixed with the dust of Pannonia plain; even in spring when it seems that it also blooms, along with the ground; even in autumn when it grows heavy with the autumn stars in swarms. Always beautiful and rich, as a compensation to this strange town for everything that isn't there, and a consolation because of everything that shouldn't be there.

But the greatest splendor of that sky above Belgrade, that are the sunsets. In autumn and in summer, they are broad and bright like desert mirages, and in winter they are smothered by murky clouds and dark red hazes. And in every time of year frequently come the days when the flame of that sun setting in the plain, between the rivers beneath Belgrade, gets reflected way up in the high celestial dome, and it breaks there and pours down over the scattered town. Then, for a moment, the reddish tint of the sun paints even the remotest corners of Belgrade and reflects into the windows, even of those houses it otherwise poorly illuminates."

Written about Belgrade by: Ivo Andrić, Serbian Nobel Prize laureate"



Dear friends,

Our major international event, the 12th Cadet, Junior and Senior Championships and World Cup for Children is approaching.

The event will take place from 22nd to 25th June 2017 in the capital of Serbia, Belgrade.

Serbian Karate Union, the hosting federation, is very honored for your trust and grateful for the decision supported by majority of our members to appoint Belgrade for the hosting city!

Located between East and West, at the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers, with population of 1,6 million, Belgrade has excellent location, easily reached from any direction.

Belgrade, which name literally translates as White City, the town of turbulent history and enormous destructions in its past, has grown into an economic, educational, administrative and sport center of the South-East of Europe.

World Karate Confederation



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

23rd-25th June 2017

Belgrade, SERBIA

The Championships will take place in a well known and popular Sport center, 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.

The Ranko Žeravica Sports Hall is a multi-purpose sports arena. It was renamed in 2016 in honor of the Serbian basketball coach Ranko Žeravica and has seating capacity for 5,000 people for sporting events and up to 7,000 for musical events. It was built in 1968 and fully renovated in 2011.

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, since the date of the tournament comes in the late spring and early summer.

Another advantage might be the location of the sport hall and the fact that all official hotels are walking distance from the sport hall, and it will take only 5 to 15 minutes to get to the competition venue and back to your hotel room!

The great majority of countries does not need entry visas for Serbia, but please check the information anyway on the website:

<http://www.mfa.gov.rs/en/consular-affairs/entry-serbia/visa-regime/81-consular-foreigners-toserbia/>

We would like to remind especially the federations requiring a visa to immediately obtain a visa at the nearest Serbian embassy or consulate. We strongly recommend you to contact the Organizing Committee as soon as possible in order to get an invitation letter!

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Finally, I hereby wish all participants a warm welcome to Belgrade, a memorable tournament and memorable stay in our city. I am looking forward to having your full support and participation!

Yours sincerely,
Marko Nicović
President



PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Date	When	What	Where
22nd June, Thursday	14.00 – 18.00	REGISTRATION	Hotel Jugoslavija
23rd June, Friday	09.00 – 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	08.00 – 20.00	CHAMPIONSHIPS	Sport Hall
25th June, Sunday	08.00 – 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.

Sport Center Novi Beograd, Pariske komune 20, New Belgrade.



WKC ELECTIVE CONGRESS

On the eve of the championships the Elective Congress will take place. Please think about any item which you want to have included in the agenda and whom you might want to propose for election for any position in the Executive Committee.

All persons wishing to run for a position in the Executive Committee or as an Auditor must submit their candidature by email to my office by the 20th May 2017. Each candidate shall attach a short CV (full name, age, profession, name of federation, rank in karate and a photo).

Each candidate must submit a written, signed and stamped letter of support from his federation.

Any suggestions for inclusion to the agenda or discussion on the congress should also be submitted to my office by email until 20th May 2017 in order to send out the final agenda to all members 30 days prior to the congress. I will attach the list of candidates and their CV with the final agenda.

ACCOMMODATION

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 Jugoslavija 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.

Its rooms are air-conditioned and equipped with a plasma cable TV and minibar.



Falkensteiner Hotel 4 stars

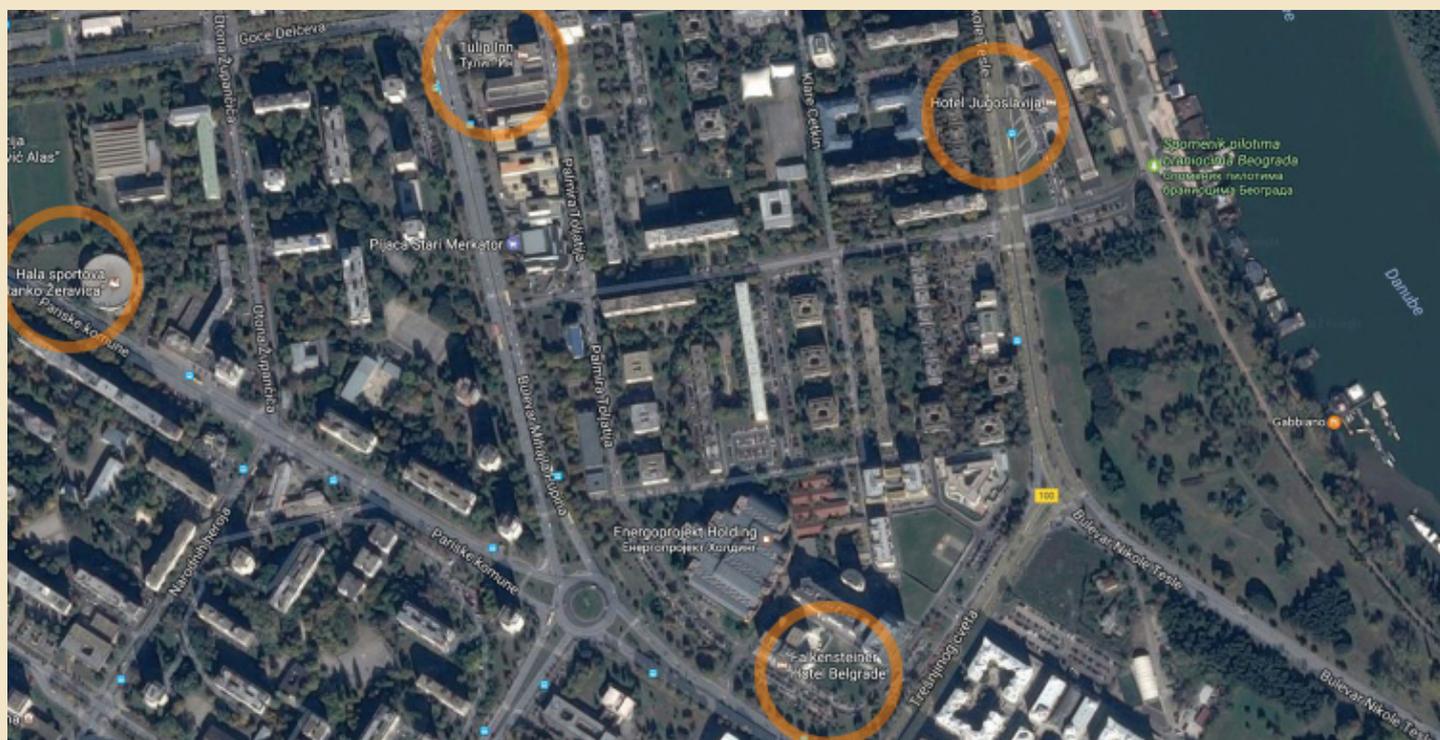
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Brand new, modern hotel that features free Wi-Fi and an elegant restaurant in the city's vibrant district, near the business centre of Belgrade. Danube Promenade with numerous restaurants is within 800 meters. The stylishly decorated rooms all have an LCD TV on the wall and a seating area. The spa centre offers relaxation opportunities in its modern spa centre with a fitness area.



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

Hotel	Jugoslavija	Tulip Inn	Falkensteiner
single room	43	60	75
double room	33	40	45
triple room	33	-	40
dinner supplement	6	10	15



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