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NEWSLETTER

WARM CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE ITF FAMILY MEMBERS ON

THE OCCASION OF 47TH ANNIVERSARY OF ITF

Information on the Executive Board Meeting

As scheduled in the annual planning , the first round of ITF Executive Board meeting took place in the meeting room of ITF HQ's office in Vienna, Austria on the 6th March 2013.

Were present 12 EB members out of 15 EB members.

Were also present chairmen of Standing Committees, President of EITF and ITF Lawyer.

President Chang Ung, IOC member chaired the meeting. All participants proceeded to the discussions and deliberations on different issues regarding the ITF's activities with deep concern and interests and reached general consensus upon the agenda of the meeting.

The meeting dealt following important subjects;

- to elect ITF Senior Vice-President
- to listen to the report of the Representative of the Organizing Committee of the 18th ITF World Championship in Sofia, Bulgaria
- to amend Article 26, Chapter 5 of the Constitution stipulating " Collegiate Committee" to establish "Athletes Committee"
- to enact the title of "Senior Grand Master" in the Constitution and in its by-law to be granted to Grand Masters who, with their long lasting endeavours, brought significant contributions to the ITF with brilliant and outstanding merits
- to replace the term of "Treasurer" by "Director in charge of Finance and Administration at HQ" in the constitution and in its by-law
- to take some disciplinary actions against illicit and severe wrongdoings led to the defaming and undermining ITF's outstanding image and dignity.

The meeting decided all above mentioned subjects and reconfirmed the commitment of ITF for its cohesion and unity to further promote its authenticity into relief.

On the 7th March, Prof. Doc. Chang Ung, ITF President and IOC member got bilateral and multilateral talks with EB members and observers who attended the meeting at ITF HQ in Vienna.

Historical tour of Korean ITF Taekwon-Do Demonstration Team

A well known Korean ITF Taekwon-Do demonstration Team made a tour in Austria, Czech Republic and Slovakia from the 13th to 24th February 2013.

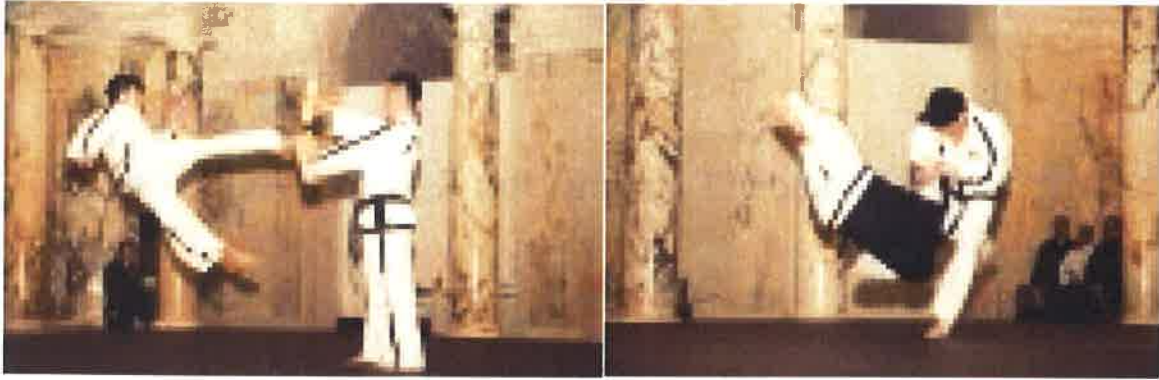
-The Team consisting of 12 TKD practitioners led by Master Kim Chol Kyu unveiled its first show of demonstrations on the 25th at the reception Hall of the Museum of Humankind Folklore in Vienna.

The presence of high-ranking invitees such as ambassadors and members of diplomatic corps accredited in the country as well as relevant persons of Society- Magazine, sponsor of this event brought into relief the splendor and magnificence of the Reception Hall proud of its long history.



All invitees were deeply impressed of the perfectness of original Taekwon-Do techniques and skills displayed by Demo Team's players.





The event hosted and sponsored by Society-Magazine awarded a Memorial Cup to Prof. Doc. Chang Ung, ITF President, IOC member.





-The Korean Demo Team presented its demonstration also in Czech Republic on the 18th and 19th February 2013 at “Arena Praha” for two times amid storms like acclamations of its citizens and all TKD practitioners of the country.

In the framework of this Event, the point is to be stressed that all the attendance fees of spectators were given as contribution funds to 4 main orphanages of the country, a news deeply impressed all concerned people and made happy all relevant personnel who hosted and organized the event.

sensation was created in Slovakia, too, for high techniques and skills fully played by Korean Demo Team.

The Korean Demo Team gave full span of its ability of Pattern, Sparring, Special Technique, Power Breaking and Self-Defense Routine to all spectators thus promoting the dignity and outstanding image of original Taekwon-do.

The Demo Team’s performance which was initiated by Society-Magazine of Austria , Czech Republic and Slovakia’s ITF NGBs, strongly supported by Korean Taekwon-do committee was carried on with great successes and brought its meaningful contributions to the consolidation and unity of original ITF family by echoing once again all over the world the real import of the tenets of Taekwon-do: Courtesy (Ye Ui), Integrity (YomChi), Perseverance (In Nae), Self-Control (Guk Gi) and Indomitable Spirit (Baekjul Boolgool) which are more than its own techniques.

NGB’s activities upgraded



H.E.General Mohammad Zahir Aghbar in his speech appreciated the hard and tireless work of Mr.Hed Mohammad SHIRZAI the president and founder of AANTA in the field of of ITF TKD which he is doing for the people of Afghanistan and Mr. Shirzai was awarded the honorary medal of Afghanistan National Olympic Committee.



At the end of the event , the ITF certify certificates were distributed to the AANTA members.



-The second PITC Congress 2013 took place on the 18th and 19th January.



The meeting passed review the results of its activities since its first meeting and put forward the tasks to be accomplished in the forthcoming period to further strengthen NGB's activities to widely diffuse original Taekwon-do in the country.



Technical Seminar

-SGM Phap Lu, the secretary general of ITF, visited Malaysia from the 11 – 16 January 2013. In conjunction with his visit, a technical seminar was held in Johor Malaysia with over 130 participants, all of which are black belt holders.



SGM Lu taught the many aspects of ITF Taekwon-Do techniques and also shared his vast knowledge in meditation.



SGM Lu created an atmosphere of fun and motivational teachings where everyone not only learned a lot from this seminar but also had an enjoyable times.

ITF Malaysia looks forward to having another such training seminar with SGM Phap Lu in the near future.



He poses with 4 Senior Masters of ITF Malaysia.

He awarded the certificates to relevant participants of the seminar and received a souvenir on the occasion from Senior Master Tan Chek Si of ITF Malaysia.



-Senior Grand Master arranged another ITF Technical Seminar in Melbourne, Australia



to improve the technical abilities and skills of all attendants in a friendly atmosphere sharing his valuable experiences with the audience.



18th ITF World Championship in Sofia, Bulgaria

As it has been already informed , the 18th ITF World Championship will take place in Sofia, Bulgaria, from the 17th to 21st July amid the great expectations of all Taekwon-do practitioners all over the world.

Following the decision of the EB meeting presided over by Prof. Doc Chang Ung, a fact finding group of ITF HQ consisting of Prof. Kim Sung Hwan Executive Director General and Mr. Kim Hyong Rak Director in charge of financial and administrative affairs made on the spot inquiry about the whole preparatory process of the event.

The organizing committee of Bulgarian ITF has accomplished so far many achievements for the successful gathering of the Championship to start with registration, accommodation, transportation, competition, medals as well as inaugural and closing ceremony paying close attention to all kinds miscellaneous aspects of preparation work.

They were very proud of what they have done so far and promised to all participants that they would be object of traditional and proper hospitality of Bulgarian people.

The fact-finding group expressed its satisfaction regarding the actual preparatory works of the Organizing Committee and wished them greater successes in their responsible endeavor.

Though it has been already specified, we would like to remind all NGBs to respect the deadline of their own application ,15th June 2013.

Sofia is waiting for you.

For more detailed informations, please visit www.itftkd.org or www.itfbulgaria.com.

Two Giants met each other



The President of the World Taekwondo Federation (WTF), Dr. Chungwon Choue, and the President of the International Taekwondo Federation, Dr. Chang Ung, met last Friday March 8th at Turnhalle St Georg restaurant, located in Hamburg (Germany), on the occasion of the German Open 2013. The meeting, held in a relaxed atmosphere, helped both organizations strengthening their ties, as they were committed to promote Taekwondo together around the world .

The wish of both parties is to certify an agreement in the coming days that will allow all WTF competitors to participate in the events organized by the ITF with only one condition: respect its current competition rules. The same will happen with ITF athletes willing to take part in the events organized by the WTF. In addition, the imminent agreement could also include the unification of the Official Demonstration Teams of both Federations, which would mix together to create a unique Demonstration Team, made of athletes from both the WTF and the ITF.