





# I.T.F. NEWSLETTER

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## THE $9^{TH}$ JUNIOR & $4^{TH}$ VETERAN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP PRODUCES BRILLIANT SUCCESS





Over 650 participants from 53 countries around the world gathered in Minsk Belarus, and displayed their skills and talents during the above Championships held on 21 - 29 August 2010.

These Championships had the support and assistance of the Ministry of Sports and Tourism of Belarus which helped make the Championship a great success.

The participants were impressed and pleased with the clean and well ordered environment

of Minsk, the capital of Belarus, as well as the great facilities for the competition, including the excellent stadium.

There were very successful events during the Championship including the Technical & Umpire Seminar and the 20<sup>th</sup> ITF Congress, and the detailed information is available on the ITF website.



Warm Congratulations to the Competitors, Umpires, Coaches and Volunteers.



Hearty Thanks to the Belarusian Government and Citizen of Minsk.

### THE 17<sup>TH</sup> TAEKWON-DO WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TO TAKE PLACE IN PYONGYANG

In accordance with the decision of the 18<sup>th</sup> ITF Congress held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan in 2008, the above Championship will take place in Pyongyang, DPR Korea, the Motherland of TKD, on 6 - 12 September 2011.

This fact is creating great interest, not only from the ITF members but also from numerous Martial Artists around the World.

The representative from DPRK confirmed at the last Congress held in Minsk that this

forthcoming Championships will be the best ever staged. Preparations for these Championships are fully supported and backed by the DPR Korean government and Municipal Authorities of Pyongyang City.

The information for these Championships has already been sent to the members and is also available on the ITF website.



WELCOME TO PYONGYANG!

## THE 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNIOR & 5<sup>TH</sup> VETERAN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULED IN SLOVAKIA

According to the decision of the 20<sup>th</sup> ITF Congress held in Minsk last August, the above Championship will be held in Kosice Slovakia, in August 2012.

Mr Ivan Kovanda, the President of Slovakia ITF Taekwon-Do Federation, visited the ITF HQ on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010, and shared the views and opinions to successfully host this event, and signed an Agreement between ITF and the hosting country, guaranteeing

schedules and conditions laid down by ITF.

His vision and plan for making this event successful and memorable is pleasing, and he will organize this historical event to the best of his ability.

We wish him every success in this arrangement.

#### NOTICE FROM THE ITF UMPIRE COMMITTEE

The ITF Umpire Committee requires all NGBs of ITF to submit up to 3 candidates from each Country, who are willing to be officiating as Umpires at the next World Championships to be held in Pyongyang in 2011, to the Umpire Committee by 15<sup>th</sup> October 2010.

The NGBs must submit details by the deadline, under no circumstances will candidates be accepted after this date.

The ITF Umpire Committee will then

select 60 Umpires to run the competitions at the next World Championship and inform all NGBs of selected persons, respectively, 6 months before the Championship.

The NGBs are kindly requested to contact Grand Master Leong Wai Meng, the Chairman of ITF Umpire Committee, at his email; <a href="mailto:grandmasterleong@yahoo.com.sg">grandmasterleong@yahoo.com.sg</a> before the stated DEADLINE paying attention to the particulars below;

- 1. Full Name
- 2. Gender & Age
- 3. Country of Birth
- 4. Nationality according to Passport
- 5. ITF Umpire "A" Certificate Number
- 6. How many ITF World Championships he/she has umpired & name
- 7. Endorsement from their respective NGBs

### OTHER MAJOR DECISIONS TAKEN AT THE ITF EB MEETING & CONGRESS HELD IN MINSK

Beside the above mentioned decisions, ITF has unanimously reached the following decisions as well at its EB meeting and Congress held in Minsk, Belarus, during the last Championship;

- 1. All participants in the future World Championship must agree to the offers provided by the Organizing Committee, including the hotel accommodation for the competitors to secure the smooth running of the Championships, otherwise they will
- be disqualified from attending the competition.
- 2. From the next World Championship Head Guards will be compulsory for Junior Competitors.

If accidents occur during the competition which result in injury to a competitor, the tournament doctor has 3 minutes to diagnose the injury and decide whether a competitor can continue. The tournament doctor's decision is final.

### FOR THE FORMATION OF STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

All members have been made aware that the ITF President appointed Chairpersons of 12 sub committees (see the ITF Constitution Article 32) under ITF, according to the newly approved ITF Constitution, at the 20<sup>th</sup> ITF Congress held in Minsk, Belarus.

These committees are of great importance to the ITF to ensure the smooth running and operating of its functions which the International Federation depends on.

In order for these committees to be

successful and function correctly they need to appoint suitable candidates with relevant qualifications.

Each NGB should submit candidates for relevant committees, including their CVs and relevant qualifications to serve. The candidate does not necessarily need to be a Taekwon-Do practitioner or presently involved in an NGB. If they have relevant qualifications and enthusiasm to assist these committees, they can be nominated.

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### NEXT YEAR PLANS REQUIRED FROM NGBS

Next quarter starting 1<sup>st</sup> October is the last one in this year, and it is time for the ITF HQ to establish the New Year Calendars for 2011.

As normally, all NGBs are advised to forward your next year plans to the ITF HQ not later than 30<sup>th</sup> November 2010. The due attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.