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## IMGC EB meeting held

The IMGC EB meeting was held at IMGC HQ in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea on 17<sup>th</sup> June.

Present in the meeting were Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of IMGC, Mr. Kim Myong Gun, Secretary General of IMGC and EB members.

Along with them Master Laziz Khasanov, President of the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG and his team members, Mr. Kim Yong Il, Chief Director of IMAF, directors of IMAF and officials of IMGC HQ took part in the meeting as observers.





Preparation for the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG to be held in Tashkent, the capital city of Uzbekistan in November this year was reported to the IMGC EB.

In addition other important problems to further enhancing the activity of IMGC including logistical problems for the success of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG, verification of membership application of International Jiyutaido Federation and World Chinese Kung Fu Association to IMGC, fulfilling the role of IMAF were the focus of the agenda.



## **IMGC Secretary General talked with IMGC EB members**



Mr. Kim Myong Gun, Secretary General of IMGC talked with Dr. Viacheslav Timofeev, IMGC EB member and the President of World Karate Confederation founded by Fritz Wendland, and Prof. Dr. Walid Kassas, IMGC EB member and the President of World Federation of Kowat Alrami and Self Defence on 14<sup>th</sup> June at IMGC HQ in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea. They sincerely talked about fulfilling their role and duty for the success of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG including the holding of WKC/FW and WFKA World Cups on the high level.

## **IMGC Secretary General talked with members of the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG**



Mr. Kim Myong Gun, Secretary General of IMGC talked with Master Laziz Khasanov, President of the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG and Uzbekistan Taekwon-Do Association and his team members on 14<sup>th</sup> June at IMGC HQ in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea. The preparation of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG by Uzbekistan Organizing Committee was informed and technical issues including the maintenance of cooperation with IMGC HQ and other issues for organizing the Games on a high level were discussed.

## *The Memorial Service for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Death of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, Ex- President of IMGCC and ITF*



The Memorial Service for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Death of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, Ex- President of IMGCC and ITF was held in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea on 15<sup>th</sup> June.

EB members of IMGCC and ITF, delegates of National Taekwon-Do Associations, Taekwon-Doists and martial artists across the world participated in the memorial service.

They laid wreaths and bundles of flowers to Gen. Choi Hong Hi in the Patriotic Martyr's Cemetery in the name of ITF and IMGCC, and paid condolence to him.

Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of IMGCC and ITF delivered his memorial speech.

Recalling the lifetime and great achievements of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, who founded Taekwon-Do and devoted his whole life for the enhancement of IMGCC and ITF he appealed to all Taekwon-Doists and martial artists across the world to do their best to further strengthen and develop ITF and IMGCC into more powerful and authoritative international martial arts organizations.





Attendants of the Memorial Service for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of Death of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, Ex-President of ITF and IMGC visited Taekwon-Do Holy Center on 15<sup>th</sup> June.

Looking around the center all the participants fully recognized that Taekwon-Do was actually the traditional martial arts of Korea with a long history.

That day the participants enjoyed Taekwon-Do Demonstration in Taekwon-Do Palace.

The performers fully demonstrated the power of Taekwon-Do with their high techniques of hand-foot breaking and foot power. The demonstration by children and Taekwon-Do instructors was held with great splendor.



IMGC EB members, officials of the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG and other participants to the service visited Mangyongdae, the historical sacred place of revolution, and several other places in Pyongyang.





## The Torch lighting Ceremony for the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG held

The Torch Lighting Ceremony for the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG was held on 17<sup>th</sup> June in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea. The torch lit from the IMGC Martial Arts Torch Tower will be trans-ignited in the opening ceremony for the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG to be held in Tashkent, Uzbekistan in November this year. Present in the ceremony were Mr. Kim Myong Hun, Vice Premier of the Cabinet of DPR Korea, Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of IMGC, Mr. Kim Myong Gun, Secretary General of IMGC, EB members of IMGC and ITF, martial artists from different parts of the world and officials of diplomatic missions to DPR Korea.







After the congratulatory speech by Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of IMGC the torch to be sent to the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG was lit and transferred to Master Laziz Khasanov, President of the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG and the Uzbekistan Taekwon-Do Association. In addition Master Laziz Khasanov, President of the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG and Uzbekistan Taekwon-Do Association, and Dr. Viacheslav Timofeev, IMGC EB member and the President of World Karate Confederation founded by Fritz Wendland made speeches. And then, artistic performance of young children and Taekwon-Do, Wushu and Karate Demonstrations were held.





## International Taekwon-Do Federation

### ITF EB meeting held



ITF EB meeting was held on 14<sup>th</sup> June in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea.

Present in the meeting were Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of ITF, Mr. Kim Myong Gun, Senior Vice President of ITF, Prof. Dato. Dr. GM. Leong Wai Meng and ITF EB members while persons concerned were invited as observers.

Preparation of "Taekwon-Do World Cup 2024" to be held within the framework of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG, amendment of ITF Tournament and Umpire Rules and other important issues related to ITF activity were discussed in the meeting.

### Discussion on ITF Tournament and Umpire Rules



## Taekwon-Do Technical Seminar and Intensive Training held in Taekwon-Do Palace



## EITF Taekwon-Do Championships held

"EITF Taekwon-Do Championships 2024" was held from 15<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> April in Koper, Slovenia with the attendance of 745 athletes from 33 countries of Europe.



# World Karate Confederation

Dr. Viacheslav Timofeev, President of the World Karate Confederation founded by Fritz Wendland conducted technical seminar upon the coaches and athletes of Karate-Do Association, DPR Korea on 16<sup>th</sup> June in Taekwon-Do Palace.

The seminar dealt with tournament rules of Karate Kumite(sparring) and Kata(pattern) of WKC/FW in conformity with the attendance of athletes of Karate-Do Association, DPR Korea in the adult's category of WKC/FW World Cup.



## All Russia Karate Competition Held

All Russia Karate Competition was held in Cheboksary, Chuvash Republic, Russian Federation from 7<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> March with the attendance of 600 athletes from 25 regions of Russia.



# DPR KOREA MARTIAL ARTS FEDERATION



"The National Martial Arts Championship for 2024 Spring National Sports Festival" was held in Pyongyang, the capital city of DPR Korea from 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> April.

About 440 athletes and coaches participated in the championship that was held in Taekwon-Do Palace and Taekwon-Do Holy Center to compete in different disciplines including Taekwon-Do, Korean Chess, Paduk(Go), Wushu and Karate-Do.



# NMGC of Philippines

"The 6<sup>th</sup> ISYMAG Challenge 2024" was held in Mandaluyong, Philippines on 18<sup>th</sup> March. Taekwon-Do, Jendo, Karate, Arnis, Bangkaw and Kuntaw competitions were held.



# NMGC of India



The 33<sup>rd</sup> North and East India Taekwon-Do ITF Championship was held in New Delhi, India from 31<sup>st</sup> May to 1<sup>st</sup> June. 660 athletes and officials took part in the championship.



## Introduction

***On the process of the preparation for the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG, 2 international martial arts organizations applied for IMGC membership.***

### **INTERNATIONAL JIYUTAIDO FEDERATION (IJF)**

“Jiyutaido” means “the way of free style fights”.

The founder of Jiyutaido is Mr. Azizov Teyub (Azerbaijan) and the present President is Hanshi Jimmy Leslie (Latvia).

IJF was founded in Baku, Azerbaijan in March, 2008.

IJF periodically organizes its World, European and Asian Championships in many countries of the world since 2009.

It has 59 countries as its members.

IJF will perform its demonstration in the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG.



### **WORLD CHINESE KUNG FU ASSOCIATION**

This organization was in contact with IMGC since 2006. The then President, GM Giuliano Fulvi who was very active in the IMGC activity, organized Kung Fu competitions in the 2<sup>nd</sup> IMG held in 2006 in Pyongyang and the 3<sup>rd</sup> IMG held in 2008.

This organization has its member organizations in 15 countries and is headquartered in Perugia, Italy.

It has organized the World Open Kung Fu Championship in May, 2024 in Perugia, Italy and had a zoom meeting with the Organizing Committee of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG to talk about technical issues of organizing Kung Fu competition in the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG.

It will organize its World Kung Fu Championship in the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG.





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