

## Military and Police Project

As you all know, in 2014 the Military and Police Commission was involved in the elaboration and instrumentation of a Project concerning the implementation of judo within the Armed Forces and Police structures, document that was approved by our President, Mr Marius Vizer. The Project focuses on the implementation of judo in the structures belonging to the Armed Forces and Police Structures, in all countries that are interested. One of the main goal of the Project is to introduce judo as a mandatory sport discipline in the curricula of the military and police educational system.

By implementing this project we aim at:

- promoting judo values and principles in the Armed Forces and Police Structures;
- increasing the visibility of judo in the AF and PS;
- increasing the number of judo practitioners within the military and police units;
- introducing judo in the sport military curricula;
- introducing judo techniques and all it's possible applications to self defence scenarios, situational attacks and hand to hand combat situations as they perform their duties.
- introducing in each military and police units and schools a competitive judo program that strive to become a driving force for judo talents at national level.

### Target Group

- officials, soldiers, civilians personnel from the military units, from all categories of forces (army, Air Force, navy) and police units;
- students and personnel from the military and police academies.

### Project Results and Mutual Benefits:

- increasing the visibility of judo in the Armed Forces and Police Structures;
- increasing the number of judo players;
- increasing the number of coaches and other specialists in judo;
- increasing discipline, morality and respect for others;
- creating better, fitter soldiers and policemen, reacting properly in crisis situations etc.
- consolidating the links between judo national and international organisations and military and police structures.

### Concrete Actions

- the project was approved by the IJF President
- the Project was sent to all National Judo Federations (so far approximately 25% of the NFs replied and showed interest in the implementation of the Project)
- in accordance with the plan of the Project we have initiated discussions and meetings with military and police authorities and decision makers from different countries aiming and convincing them about the importance of the Project and underlying the beneficial that the implementation of this Project could bring on short and long term.

*Dominican Republic* was the first country that started the process of implementation of the Project. I will take this opportunity to thank Mr Gilberto Garcia, president of the Dominican Republic Judo Federation and our colleague, and his team who demonstrated a major interest in organizing high-level meetings, with officials from sport and political sector.



Thus, I had meetings with the Dominican Republic Olympic Committee president - Mr Luis Mejia Oviedo and with members of the executive staff. I also met Vice-admiral Juan Ramon Soto de la Rosa - president of Military and Police Sport Circle and staff from every force category and police departments. Also, I had meeting with the Minister of Sport, Dr Jaime David Fernandez Mirabal. One of the most important and beneficial meeting was the one with the Minister of Defence, Admiral Sigfrido Perez, given the nature of the project and the importance that judo, as an exceptional educational tool, has in the physical training process of the military personnel, regardless of their age, rank, gender or political/social/religious affiliation.



On this occasion, the minister of defence manifested his entire availability in supporting the implementation of this project and promised to introduce judo as compulsory discipline in the curricula of the Military Academies from the Dominican Republic. Also, the Minister of Defence accepted that the involved institutions to support the necessary funds, which will be stipulated in the Collaboration Agreement that will be elaborated and approved in the nearest future. In order to make an assessment of the current state of the judo infrastructure and existing programs within the Military Academies, military and police units, visits were organized at the Dominican Military Academies (Land Forces Academy, Air Force Academy) and National Police Academy. On these occasions I was able to contact and share impressions with the commandants, personnel and students. The conclusion was that there is indeed the need for the implementation of judo as a main discipline in the educational process, and as a priority, introduction of this discipline in the curricula.



*Republic of Haiti* was the second country interested in our project. After discussions that I had with decision makers belonging to the Police and Sport Organisation, the Police

Academy agreed to introduce judo in the training and physical education program of the students.



*Romania* is a country that has started the implementation of judo as a basic preparation sport in the Armed Forces many years ago. We can say that "combat sports" including judo are being part and it is used frequently in the process of the physical education. Judo is part of sport curricula in the Military Academy and it is used in the physical preparation of the military in the operational units. Every year, the Romanian military authorities organize at national level Judo Championships addressing both to the military personnel belonging to the military units and to the students from military academies.





*Croatia* is also interested in implementing our project. During the Judo Grand Prix held in Zagreb in 2014, me and Mr Slavisa Bradic had important meetings and discussions with representatives of the Ministry of Defence on the implementation of judo as a basic training sport in the Armed Forces and Police Structures aiming at finding the best solutions for supporting the judo athletes in view of their better social and professional integration at the end of their sporting careers.



Aiming at convincing as many countries as possible to implement our project, during the Judo World Championships 2014 in Chelyabinsk I had meetings with 12 Presidents of Judo National Federation such as: Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Colombia, Egypt, Cuba, Democrat Republic of Congo, Congo R, Burkina Faso, Algeria, Japan, Russia and Iran.

Next, I will present you the database with the NFs that are interested to implement the Project.

No.	Country	Point of contact	Date of reply	Judo state of the art	Country demands/requests	IJF/MPC proposals
1.	Dominican republic	Gilberto Garcia		Judo was introduced in the curricula of all military and police academies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 700 judoguis;</li> <li>- 3 tatamis;</li> <li>- Training courses for coaches</li> </ul>	Monitoring the progress of the project
2.	Haiti	Telemaque Martin	Visit of MPC Director in Haiti	National police from haiti agreed with the implementation of judo within the police structures	N/a	Monitoring the progress of the project  Contact poc for further details
3.	Brazil	Paulo Wanderley – President BJC	02.07.2014	There is a partnership between bjc and brazilian armed forces; Part of the members from the brazilian judo team belong to army and navy; Brazilian judo confederation supports the judo competitions of all the forces.	N/a	N/a
4.	Moldova	Veronica Cebotaru	14.07.2014	There is a collaboration between armed forces/police structures and moldavian judo federation	N/a	Discussions for more details
5.	Romania	-	-	Judo is used as a basic preparation discipline in all military academies and also judo is used for the physical training of the	3 tatami for land forces academy, air force academy and military technical academy	Monitoring

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				<p>militaries.</p> <p>Every year, judo competitions are organized at units and national level.</p> <p>The number of judo practitioners in romanian armed forces is of approx. 400 militaries.</p>		
6.	Japan	Yasuhiro Yamashita	18.08.2014	Judo is deeply implemented within the japan self defense forces and police structures	Continue the cooperation with ijf on judo implementation within the armed forces and police structures	Meetings with key persons and discussions Monitoring
7.	China	Zhou Jinqiang	05.07.2014	<p>There are judo athletes from the armed forces</p> <p>Good cooperation between chinese judo association and armed forces</p> <p>Based on the project the chinese judo association expressed their availability to contact the police structures</p>	<p>N/a</p> <p>Expressed their support on the promotion of judo in the armed forces and police structures</p>	<p>Establish contact</p> <p>Sharing information and good practices</p>
8.	Chile			Judo and its techniques are used as basic and compulsory preparation discipline for police self defense	Implementating the project within the carabineros structure (establish the base for personal defense for carabineros members)	<p>Contacting poc for further details</p> <p>Establishing discussions with key persons</p>

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				<p>Judo is historically related to the armed forces and police structures</p> <p>Judo clubs and teams for sport competitions Judokas from armed forces and police structures included in the national team</p>	<p>4 tatamis</p> <p>Ijf technical assistance</p>	Monitoring
9.	Uruguay	Ignacio Aloise	30.06.2014	<p>There is a program for the introduction of judo within the armed forces</p> <p>There is an agreement between national judo federation and national defence ministry</p> <p>Ijf provided a coach</p>		<p>Maintain contact with poc and further discussions on the progress of the program</p> <p>Monitoring</p>
10.	Namibia	Roman Bock	03.07.2014	<p>Judo was introduced in the namibian police in 1994 with approx. 60 active judo players, at that time.</p> <p>In present, due to lack of interest and facilities, it no longer exists</p>	<p>Submitting a proposal to the namibian police and armed forces to consider include judo in their curricula</p>	<p>Contacting poc for further details</p> <p>Establishing discussions with key persons</p> <p>Monitoring</p>
11.	Pakistan	Rana Shujaat Ali	02.07.2014	The program exists	Continued support and encouragement	Monitoring
12.	Sri lanka	Major Tharindu	02.07.2014	No existing program. There will be made	N/a	Contact poc for further details



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		Weersinghe		some approaches for the implementation of judo in the armed forces (possible discussions with the ministry of defence)		Monitoring
13.	Indonesia	Sadik Algadri	02.07.2014	No existing program. There will be made some approaches for the implementation of judo in the armed forces and police structures (possible discussions with the ministry of defence and internal affairs)	N/a	Contact poc for further details  Monitoring
14.	Zimbabwe	Debi Jeans	30.06.2014	No existing program  They are looking forward to implement the project	N/a	Contact poc for further details  Monitoring
15.	Philippine	David Carter	30.06.2014	N/a	N/a	Contact poc for details  Monitoring
16.	Cameron	Alain Kingue	11.09.2014	No existing program  They intend to contact the defence and police authorities for discussions	N/a	Contact poc for details  Meetings of mpc with military/police authorities  Monitoring
17.	Croatia	Slavisa Bradic	Meetings with authorities during the Judo Grand Prix/Zagreb	Judo techniques are used for the training of the special forces personnel		Contact poc for details  Monitoring

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18.	Usa			Judo is used in the military academies	N/a	N/a
19.	Slovakia	Jan Gregor – Dukla Sport Center	29.09.2014	Judo main sport in the military sport center dukla	Ijf strategy of cooperation	Contacting poc for further details  Establishing discussions with key persons  Monitoring
20.	Congo	Francis Bimwala Wamba	05.07.2014	The judo federation said that they will establish contact with the armed forces and police structures	N/a	Contact poc for details  Contacting the key persons and authorities and have discussions  Offering support in the implementation of the project
21.	Burkina faso	Djibril Zeba	04.07.2014	In burkina faso there are 3 military judo clubs, 2 police judo clubs and 1 customs judo club	Implementing the project in their country  Project in french language	Contacting the key persons and authorities and have discussions  Offering support in the implementation of the project
22.	Tunisie	Abdelkrim Mallat	05.01.2015	N/a	N/a	
23.	Guatemala	Lourdes Herrarte	Discussion of MPC Director with Judo Federation President	Intention of the national judo federation to implement judo within the armed forces and police structure	Implementing the project in their country	Contacting the key persons and authorities and have discussions  Offering support in the implementation of the project
24.	Cuba		Discussion of MPC Director	Intention of the national judo	Implementing the project in their country	Contacting the key persons and authorities

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			with Cuba Judo Federation President	federation to implement judo within the armed forces and police structure		and have discussions Offering support in the implementation of the project
25.	Italy	Luigi Guido	04.10.2014	N/a	N/a	S
26.	Iran	Mohammad Derakshan	Contact established in Chelyainsk	No existing program	N/a	Contact poc for details  Monitoring
27.	Egypt	N/A	08.07.2014 (email received from IJF President Office)	N/a	Implementing and developing the military and police project	Meetings of mpc with key persons and authorities from armed forces, police structures and national judo federation
28.	Colombia		Meeting of MPC director with the National Judo Federation			
29.	Kazakhstan		Meeting of MPC director with the National Judo Federation	Judo is used in the military high schools	Meeting and discussions with military representatives	Meetings of mpc with key persons and authorities from armed forces, police structures and national judo federation Monitoring
30.	Uzbekistan		Meeting of MPC director with the National Judo Federation		Implementation of judo within the police structures	Meetings of mpc with key persons and authorities from police structures and national judo federation  Monitoring

Between 21-23 May, I have participated at the 70th CISM General Assembly and Congress that was held in Kuwait.



On this occasion, I had the possibility to present the Project of judo implementation in the Armed Forces and Police Structures, in front of 78 participating countries.

Afterwards, I conducted a statistical survey on the implementation of judo in the participating countries, which included the following questions:

1. Does your countries use Judo as a basic preparation sport discipline in the Armed Forces?
2. Is your country interested in implementing Judo( and the Project ) in military structures/academies?
3. Does your country have military judoka as part of the national judo team and participating at national and international competitions?
4. What are the main results obtained by your military judoka?

This survey helped me to create an image about judo practice in the Armed Forces. On the chart you can see the results of the survey.

As you will notice, 50 countries replied, especially the chiefs of delegation with a large experience in CISM. From my point of view the reasons why the rest of the chiefs of delegation did not participate at the survey are related to their absence or their lack of interest. The conclusion is that, according to the majority, Judo should be considered as an exceptional tool in the process of physical education of the military personnel.

## SURVEY RESULTS

NO	COUNTRY	Q1.		Q2.		Q3.		Q4.
		YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	
1.	ARGENTINA		X		X		X	No results on national level
2.	ARMENIA		X	X		X		Medals on the Olympics, World, Continental Championships,
3.	AUSTRIA	X		X		X		Several medals in the Olympics and also Military World Champions. Basically a good military related sport discipline.
4.	AZERBAIJAN	X		X		X		Medals in the Olympics, World, Continental level.
5.	BELARUS	X		X		X		Medals in the Continental level.
6.	BELGIUM		X	X		X		Medals in the Continental level.
7.	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	X		X		X		No medals in the civilian competition.
8.	BOTSWANA		X	X		X		N/A
9.	BULGARIA		X		X		X	N/A
10.	CANADA		X		X		X	N/A
11.	CHILE	X		X		X		N/A
12.	CHINA		X		X	X		Bronze medal in 2008 Olympic Game and many medals in the Continental and World Military Championships.
13.	CZECH REPUBLIC		X		X		X	NA
14.	DENMARK		X		X		X	NA
15.	ESTONIA	X		X		X		Medals on Continental and World Military level.
16.	FINLAND		X		X	X		NA

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Q4. Does your country have military judokas as part of the national team and participating at national, continental, international and/or Olympic competitions?

NO	COUNTRY	Q1.		Q2.		Q3.		Q4.
17.	FRANCE	X		X		X		Medals in the Olympics, World and Continental level.
18.	GEORGIA	X		X		X		Medals in the Olympics, World and Continental level.
19.	GUINEA REPUBLIC	X		X		X		NA
20.	HOLLAND	X		X		X		Medals on Continental and World Military Championships level.
21.	INDONESIA	X		X		X		NA
22.	IRAQ	X		X			X	NA
23.	ITALY	X		X		X		Gold medal Olympic Games 2008, women 57 kg. Several medals in European Championships.
24.	KAZAKHSTAN	X		X		X		Medals on Continental level.
25.	KENYA	X		X		X		NA
26.	LATVIA		X	X			X	NA
27.	LESOTHO		X	X		X		NA
28.	LUXEMBOURG		X		X	X		5 <sup>th</sup> place in women completion Olympics London.
29.	MACEDONIA	X		X			X	NA
30.	MALI	X		X		X		Medals in African competition.
31.	NAMIBIA		X		X		X	Na
32.	NIGER		X	X			X	An athlete participating in Olympics London
33.	NORWAY		X		X		X	NA
34.	OMAN		X		X		X	NA
35.	PAKISTAN	X		X		X		NA
36.	ROMANIA	X		X		X		Medals in the Olympics, World and

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								Continental level.
37.	RUSSIAN FEDERATION		X		X	X		Medals in the Olympics, World and Continental level.
38.	SAUDI ARABIA	X		X		X		Medals on Arabic level.
39.	SENEGAL		X	X		X		Several medals on Continental level.
40.	SLOVENIA		X		X	X		Gold medal London Olympic Games.
41.	SOUTH KOREA	X		X		X		Medals in the World and Continental Championships.
42.	SRI LANKA	X		X		X		The Defense Services Judo teams are the current National Champions.
43.	SWEDEN		X		X		X	NA
44.	SWITZERLAND		X		X	X		Olympics silver, CISM silver.
45.	TANZANIA	X		X		X		NA
46.	THAILAND		X		X		X	NA
47.	TURKEY		X		X		X	NA
48.	UAE		X		X		X	NA
49.	UGANDA	X		X		X		NA
50.	UKRAINE		X	X			X	NA
51.	USA	X		X		X		Not many military judokas participate at the national level.
52.	VENEZUELA	X		X		X		NA
53.	VIETNAM		X	X		X		NA
54.	YEMEN	X		X		X		Medals in the Arabic competitions.
55.	ZAMBIA		X	X		X		Bronze in the London Olympics.
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>17</b>	

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As a following action, I propose to resent a new letter to the National Federations Presidents, who did not reply so far, asking for their support, considering that project can be implemented only through the national federations, and taking into account that the military side is interested on the Project.

In my opinion it is very hard to convince the military and police authorities to implement this Project without the support of Presidents of National Federations, the Chiefs of Delegation to CISM/USIP. Once we will gain the support of the National Federations, we will be able to continue our activity on this direction.

