IJF President’s Report
ORDINARY CONGRESS
BUDAPEST
June 3rd 2021
International Judo Family

United more than ever!
IJF Headquarters in Budapest

- Our new home with new resources
- Hungary: sport friendly and sport performance-oriented strategy
- 1 mil USD/year for the next 5 years
- Tax facilities for the IJF employees residing in Hungary
- Covid support for IJF employees
IJF seated in European Union

Access to funds and grants

First successful application: **SCHOOLJUDO.EU**
**EU-Wide primary School Ecosystem for the Judo Teaching**

**395,876.00 EUR**

Involving: IJF Academy, Netherlands Judo in Schools, Italy, Hungary and Slovenia

Pan-European training and educational module for primary schools, based on the core values of judo

Building benefits for the judoka community by supporting their retirement process at the end of their professional sport career
Successful & Safe Events During Covid-19

- 6 months break
- Clear and reasonable communication
- In-house Covid-19 Protocol for restarting competitions
- Very successful first event in Budapest
- Tokyo 2020 and IOC appraisal

**JUDO THE ONLY COMBAT SPORT WITH COMPETITIONS**

- No impact on qualification process:
  Smooth and reassuring for athletes and coaches
• More activity
• More engagement
• Shift towards digital

➔ Top 10 all Olympic IFs (social media presence)
Outstanding, Revamped Media Activity

- More online content
- Regular and transparent communication for all stakeholders
- More insight in the work of IJF
- Modern and engaging presentation
- Continued collaboration with media partners
Judo Beyond Borders

• **Metro Goldwin Mayer** – JUDO series & documentary about Saeid Mollaei and Sagi Muki - Strong Judo Message to the World

• **Return home** for prisoner soldier judoka after the Armenian-Azeri conflict

  Education and moral values

  NO discrimination in judo,

  NO discrimination in sport!

  Our battle for truth and respect of the Judo and Olympic values
Great cooperation and consolidated relations with organizer National Federations
World Judo Tour Today

- Traditional locations, but also some new
- World Championships
  - **Tokyo 2019**
    - Total countries: 142
    - Total judoka: 820 (502 men and 326 women)
    - Medals: 25 countries
  - **Budapest 2021**
    - Total countries: 131
    - Total judoka: 704 (413 men and 291 women)
  - **Tashkent 2022 & Doha 2023**
Juniors, Cadets, Veterans & Kata

JUNIORS & CADETS
• Less competitions (Covid-19)
• Junior World Championships 2021 – Olbia, Italy
• YOG Dakar 2022 cancelled

VETERANS & KATA
• New location for 2021 World Championships – Lisbon, Portugal
Tokyo 2020…in 2021!
• Unique and challenging
• World of Sports together for athletes
• Judo less complicated & with very good team behind
• Simplified activities & best TV product

• Total quota places: 366 athletes + 20 UPs + Refugees
• First Ever Olympic Teams Event – 11 teams currently qualified
• Refugee team (6 athletes and 1 coach)
  • ROT
  • Athlete parade
  • Media activities
• Complicated period for all businesses, but we kept our most important partners

• IJF renewed partnership with SOCAR, Herend and OTP

• New partner: ULTIMA COLLECTION

• IJF suppliers (40% discount for 2021)
  • TAISHAN Master Supplier & Partner
  • Tatami – 4 official suppliers
  • Judogi – 13 official suppliers
• A lot of progress

• Innovative & creative solutions

• Excellent feed-back

• Positive results
Partnerships

Olympic Solidarity

Ministries of Sports and Education

United Nations

Leaders pour la paix

CISM

BSI

UNHCR

International Committee of Sports for the Deaf

International School Sport Federation

Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration

Iij.org, Herend, impulse, otpbank, SOCAR, Taishan, SMP, ATENA, ULTIMA, IJF.org
• Judo must grow, discrepancies still significant

• IJF donations: 6 434 572 USD
  • Equipment 2 692 624 USD
  • Financial support 432 000 USD
  • Participation to events 1 324 000 USD
  • IJF experts 1 053 420 USD
  • Judo in Schools 806 000 USD
  • Building Dojos 126 528 USD
• 50 countries
• 22 new countries and 9 ready to start but in stand-by due to Covid-19
• 591 schools involved
• 500+ teachers
• Approximately 415,000 children and number constantly growing
• Unified content and methodology
IJF Academy

- New structure – EU recognized higher education institute seated in Malta
- 3 programmes in partnership with the European Union
  - Schooljudo.eu: A EU-Wide Primary School Ecosystem for the Judo Teaching
  - Educating Judo Coaches for Older Practitioners
  - Analysing and Making Visible the Skills Acquired in Volunteering
- 137 countries and 4500+ students
- Success stories:
  - Roberto Orlando, setup the Judo for peace programme for refugees in South Africa
  - Franck Moussima & Daniela Krukower joined the IJF Academy experts’ team
  - Mesut Kapan, Turkish Olympic Team manager
  - Alexei Budolin, National Coach SUI Judo Federation
  - Mamuka Kizilashvili, employed by the Indian Sports Academy
- Olympic Solidarity support
“We are on the side of peace, global friendship and prosperity.”

- Refugee programmes (Zambia, Malawi, Turkey, South Africa)
- Activities in Burundi, Rwanda, Nepal, Ethiopia
- IJF pledged support for refugees ahead of the first ever Global Refugee Forum (2019), in a movement with 70 organizations, led by the IOC and UNHCR
- (UNAOC) One Humanity campaign: Solidarity, compassion and unity in the face of discrimination and divisiveness
- Masks for Africa: fundraising for 20,000 masks
- #withrefugees campaign by UNHCR
- April 6 - World Sport and Peace Day: IJF nominated for best initiative in 2020
Sustainability

- IJF Sustainability Policy published
- UNHCR Sport for Climate Change Action
- Ambassadors: Sabrina Filzmoser and Flavio Canto
- Climate Change Quiz in Judo Fit Kids
- Monthly challenges around 5 environment-related themes
World Judo Day

- 2019 PLANT A TREE
  - 6,500 + trees planted on all five continents

- 2020 STRONGER TOGETHER
  - 70+ countries

- 2021 SOLIDARITY
Invitation to Dinner

June 4 – 19:00 CET

Intercontinental Hotel Ballroom 1-2

Dress Code Formal
THANK YOU!