EDUCATION AND COACHING DIRECTOR REPORT

EDUCATION AND COACHING COMMISSION

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Training programmes implementation:

Technical Courses for Coaches:

• 15 technical courses were conducted by IJF experts.
• 249 coaches were in attendance to these courses.
• The National Federations listed below hosted a technical course:
  - Africa: Centrafrique, Cote d’Ivoire, Guinea, Mozambique, Niger, Sierra Leone, Djibouti, Malawi.
  - Asia: Cambodia, Malaysia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan.
  - Europe: Belarus.
  - Panamerica: Brazil, Nicaragua.
• The closing of borders by many countries due to the world pandemic have slowed down the implementation of some activities.
• This technical training dedicated for coaches benefited from an overall budget of 40 788 US Dollars.

Scholarships for Coaches:

• 8 scholarships were allocated. They are distributed as follows:
  - Africa: Mozambique (2 scholarships), Nigeria.
  - Asia: Mongolia, Turkmenistan, Democratic Peoples’ Republic of Korea.
  - Panam: Venezuela, Dominican Republic.
• 75 480 US Dollars were allocated to this programme.

Development of the National Sport Structure:

• 2 Projects were implemented
  - Africa: Mali
  - Europe: Poland.

These two programmes benefited from a budget of 45 056 Dollars US.
Our collaboration with the Olympic Solidarity remains very successful and productive.

**Olympic preparation scholarships for Athletes:**

- Many judokas receive from Olympic Solidarity a preparation scholarship to help them ensure qualification for the Olympic Games of Tokyo 2021.
- Following the postponement of the Olympic Games, the preparation scholarships have been extended to the month of August 202.
- 135 athletes, representing 71 National Federations, have benefited from an Olympic preparation scholarship.
- The criteria for allocating the scholarships are determined as follows: competition results of the athlete, the technical level and universality.
- The scholarships are distributed as follows:
  - Africa: 38 athletes representing 17 countries.
  - Asia: 34 scholarships coming from 17 countries.
  - Europe: 39 scholarships representing 21 countries.
  - Pan-America: 22 scholarships. 14 countries.
  - Oceania: 2 scholarships. 2 countries.
The following graphics shows the distribution of the scholarships by continent.

- The overall budget represents USD 3,602,800.94 Dollars US.

**IJF Athletes’ Commission**

- The athletes’ Commission is the linking body between active athletes and IJF.
- It is composed from 9 members (5 elected members by their mates, 1 athlete from each continent and 4 members appointed by the IJF Executive Committee. The commission is chaired by Teddy Riner.
- There would be elections to renew the Athletes’ Commission members this year alongside the Seniors World Championships of Budapest.
- The Commission takes part regularly to the forums of the IOC Athletes Commission.
- The members of the commission are very active on social network.
- The IOC reference guide « athlete365 » is published on the IJF website. This is a resource document for the athletes during and outside the Olympic Games.
- All relevant information with an impact on the competitions and the Athletes are circulated to the Athletes’ Commission.

**Refereeing, Sports and Coaching Seminar Doha 11-12 January 2020**

- The members of the Education Commission made a presentation on authorized identifications for the next Olympic Games of Tokyo in four languages (English, French, Spanish and Russian).
- The last updates of the judogi control regulations were communicated to the coaches and referees.
- The coaches were given the opportunity to ask any relevant questions to judogi control rules and procedures.
- The exchanges with coaches were very productive.
Fairplay Award

- A new Fairplay trophy was established in 2019.
- It is awarded for an athlete, coach, club, country, personality who have demonstrated exemplary compliance to judo values.
- Sabrina FILZMOSER (AUT) and Miklos UNGVARI (HUN) received this award alongside the World Championships of Tokyo 2019.

Scientific Committee

- A scientific Committee was created in July 2020.
- It is composed from the following members: Mr Mohamed MERIDJA ; Mr Daniel Lascau, Mr Envic Galea, Mrs Sanda Corak, Mr Shinji Hosokawa, Mr Tibor Kozsla.
- The Scientific Committee has mandate to consider any scientific research project in judo.
- The Committee works in cooperation with the main stakeholders of judo in order to share research works for the benefit of coaches and athletes.
- The Scientific Committee shall ensure the relevance and consistency of the research scientific programme in compliance to the IJF strategic guidance.
- A compilation of research scientific works on judo is under progress.

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2019 Activities

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2019 Activities Medals table
The Kata World Championships were held within the framework of the Martial Arts Masterships. They are multisport competitions reserved for martial Arts. They comprise 20 disciplines in the programme

A quota of 80 pairs was fixed by the organizing Committee. 10 pairs were allocated to the host country

Each Continental Union had a quota of participants based on the participation history to the World Championships 2018.

Number of participating nations : 29
- AJU = 2 nations (2 pairs) - EJU = 12 nations (39 pairs) - OJU = 1 nation (2 pairs)
- JUA = 10 nations (23 pairs) - CPJ = 4 nations (13 pairs)

During the pandemic the Kata Commission launched many projects:

**Competition:**

- The kata evaluation regulations were reviewed and corrected. They were posted in English, French and Portuguese.
- The guidelines for the judges were reviewed and corrected. They were published in English, French and Portuguese.
- The results of the World Championships since they were established were posted on the IJF website
- The list of the IJF active judges is posted on IJF website.
- Competitions Organization and Training Guide is under development.

**Education:**

- Reference documents edited by the Kodokan concerning the teaching of the 5 katas are published on IJF website in English.
- Kata at home: video clips coming from several countries in connection with the practice of katas during the social distancing period in conjunction with the competition and the education with the experts were published on IJF website.
- Kodomo no Kata: publication on IJF website the Kodokan and French Federation version of the Kodomo no kata. Kata is aimed in particular for children to learn the basics of judo.
- Kata Education project – Kata for all. Implementation of an educational project, in cooperation with the Kata Commissions of the 5 continents. The project aims to teach Nage-no-kata in a playful and progressive approach for young judokas and beginners.
- Update of the IJF experts list for each.
- Set up of a new range of questions for kata judges.

**For information:**

- The 2020 Kata World Championships – which were scheduled in Cracovie, Poland on 1st and 2nd September were reported. They will take place in the same city on 13-19 September 2021.
Application of Judo Code of Conduct:

- The Education and Coaching Commission have examined and addressed all disciplinary cases that occurred during the competitions of the Judo World Tour.
- The Refereeing, Sports and Coaching Seminar that took place in January 2020 in Doha, Qatar, was a good opportunity to remind the Ethic principals the athletes and coaches must abide to.
- The number of religious signs has dramatically dropped down. This outcome was made possible thanks to the education awareness-raising effort made towards the athletes, coaches and National Federations.

I would like to extend my thanks to the Education Commission members for their commitment and the IJF Executive Committee for their support.