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Unity – Solidarity – Stability: Judo in constant growth on the world sports scene

IJF and Judo Contributing to Hungary's Prominent Sports Diplomacy Successes

- Financial support of 1 million USD/year continues.
- Hungaricum Stipendium Sports Programme for Judo: University Scholarships for 3 judoka (1 woman, 2 men) from 3 countries (El Salvador, Kenya, Seychelles).
- Budapest hosting once again the 2025 IJF Congress and World Judo Championships Seniors.

Fantastic Judo at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games

- High standard event delivery by the IJF team.
- Huge success and appreciation.
- Unique family atmosphere and full stadium.
- New heroes and a return of investment for the IJF national federations.
- Refugee Team.
- High demand event for high dignitaries and celebrities equally.
- Broadcast and media data report places the IJF in first third of Olympic sports (top 10).

Successful World Championships 2024 in Abu Dhabi

- Impressive media coverage and results.
- Participation:
 - Total countries: 107
 - Total judoka: 658 judoka - women: 309, men: 349
 - Medals: 24 countries
- Pilot edition of Self-Defence Judo for Women.

Secured Future for World Judo Tour

- World Judo Tour: Current hosts eager to continue in new Olympic cycle.
- World Judo Championships Seniors ensured for next 2 years:
 - 2026 Azerbaijan
 - 2027 Kazakhstan
 - 2028 Bahrain TBC

LA 2028 Olympic Games

- Collaboration with the IJF started.
- Judo manager appointment in progress.
- Judo competition venue: Los Angeles Convention Center.
- Judo keeping all current events: individual and mixed teams.
- Quota TBC.
- New: Number of universality places revisited and to be confirmed.
- New challenges ahead and difficult tasks for organisers.



Media Highlights

- 3x increase in interest on ijf.org compared to the previous two years, with a 47% rise in published content.
- 21% growth across all social media platforms.
- 10% increase in cumulative linear TV audience, with an estimated €80M media value.
- Launch of the Golden Score show at World Judo Tour events and Paris 2024 Olympic Games.
- Renewed partnerships with AIPS Media, SportsIN, and Euronews.
- The first judo for women self-defence course was organised during the Abu Dhabi World Judo Championships 2024.

IT & Digital Development

- Continuous expansion of the IJF IT Ecosystem.
- Launch of JudoTV and its mobile application, with ongoing feature enhancements.
- New Prediction League with community feature.
- 40% growth in the number of IJF accounts.
- Judomanager integrated in 12 countries, with 15 more in the pipeline.
- Launch of Clubmanager, streamlining judo club operations globally.
- IJF Minecraft world – new map added: “Journey to the Great Shiai” – all maps now reaching over 6 million unique users worldwide.

Marketing & Partnerships

- Harvest Group joins as a new official IJF partner.
- Double D – Adidas – joins as a new gold partner of the IJF.
- New visual identity for the IJF brand.
- Renewed accreditation system for World Judo Tour events.
- Enhanced branding across World Judo Tour events.
- Renewed agreements with IJF official partners for the next Olympic cycle.
- Expanded collaboration with OTP Group and MET Group.

Partnerships

- UNHCR – cooperation agreement signed
- UNAOC – Alliance of Civilizations
- Olympic Solidarity – IJF leading the way for DNSS programs (development of national sport structure) and with the IJF Academy programmes
- USIP & CISM
- Ministries of Sports and Education
- Judo in Schools – Tripartite Agreements
- IBSA and Deaf Sports
- International School Sports Federation
- United Nations’ Sports for Climate Change Action Group
- “Brighton plus Helsinki 2014 Declaration”
- UN Women Sport for Generation Equality Framework
- Crans Montana Forum
- International Testing Agency (ITA)

Development & Education

- Focus on fostering social cohesion and contribution to betterment of societies.



IJF Donations

- Equipment
- Financial support
- Participation in events
- IJF experts
- Judo in Schools
- Building dojos
- IJF Training Center Dunavarsanyi, Hungary

Judo in Schools

- 69 countries
- 728 schools involved
- 655+ teachers/entertrainers
- 90,000 children acquainted with judo and its principles through the programme.

IJF Academy

- 176 national federations and 6,232 students.
- Obligatory for World Judo Tour: unified and constant knowledge base for all coaches.
- Continued Olympic Solidarity support.
- New courses: Self-Defence Judo for Women.

Judo for Peace

- Long-term programmes in partnership with national federations
- Nepal (Forever Everest)
- Judo for Peace South Africa
- No Borders
- World Peace Day
- International Day of Sports for Peace

Judo for Refugees

- Participation of the Refugee Team in the Olympic Games and support throughout qualification.
- IJF support for participation in competitions, training camps and equipment for team members.
- Olympic Solidarity support for team members to continue in new Olympic cycle.
- Judo in refugee camps.
 - Zambia (Meheba, Mayukwayukwa and Mantapala)
 - Zimbabwe (Tongogara)
 - Malawi (Dzaleka)
 - Türkiye (Killis)
 - Jordan (Zaatari)
 - Kenya (Kakuma)

Police and Military JudoSkills Programme

- Introducing judo courses into the training of armed forces for governments.
- The goal of the project is to enhance overall physical fitness, provide the armed forces with non-harmful methods of neutralising situations, both domestically and during deployments, and to modernise current hand-to-hand combat techniques.
- Equipment was developed in collaboration with the IJF Official Partner, Taishan.



Sustainability

- The IJF continues to make progress, report published.
- Yearly reporting to the United Nations.
- Carbon footprint measured for the IJF as an organisation.
- Carbon footprint measured for 2 events/year.
- IJF carbon offsets 2023: Cururos Wind Farm Project, Peru.

World Judo Day

- 2024: Theme: Wellbeing, 100+ countries and 200+ projects.