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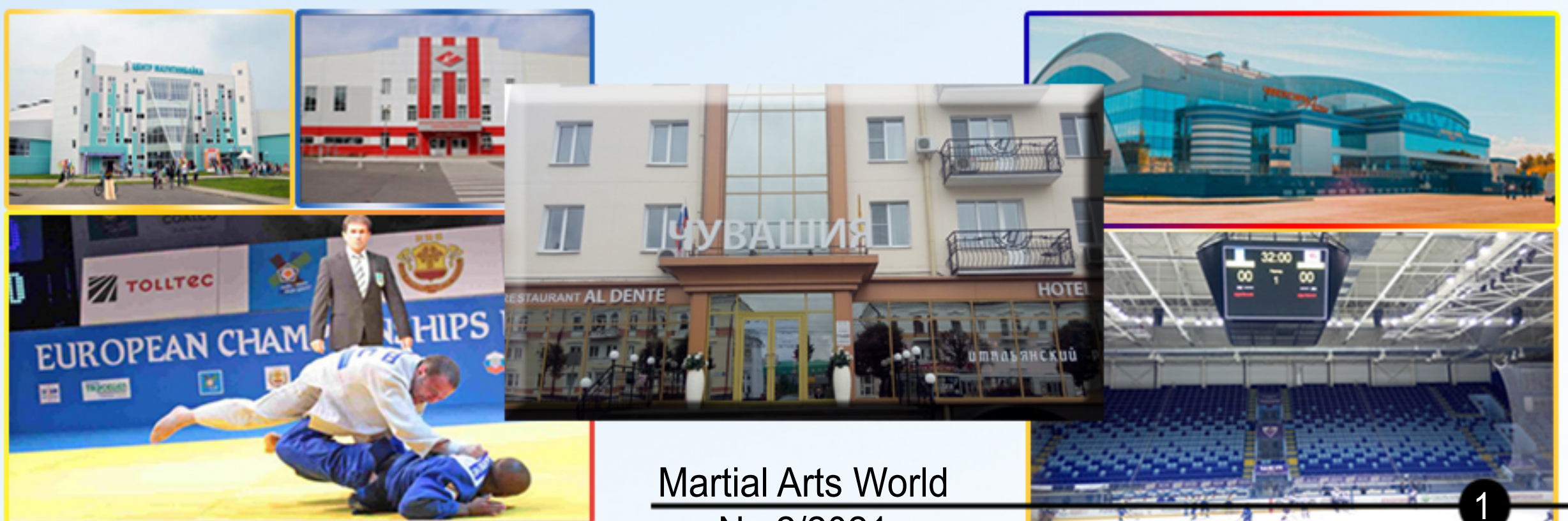


# *THE 9<sup>TH</sup> IMG POSTPONED*

By the request of the Russian Organizing Committee to postpone the 9<sup>th</sup> International Martial Arts Games(IMG) to 2022 in relation with the daily worsening COVID-19, the Executive Board of International Martial Art Games Committee(IMGC) decided to postpone the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG to 2022.

The decision was informed to the IMG Organizing Committee and martial arts organizations. The 9<sup>th</sup> IMG Russian Organizing Committee acknowledged the decision and goes on with its preparation.

Cheboksary City, Chuvash Republic of Russia, the IMG venue has experiences of organizing national and international games and necessary material and technical infrastructures for the games and accommodation facilities for athletes, instructors and delegates.





# ITF COMMEMORATES 55<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY

On the occasion of the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding(March 22, 2021) of International Taekwon-Do Federation(ITF), Prof. Ri Yong Son, President of ITF & IMGC congratulated all the Taekwon-Doists over the world and exchanged congratulatory messages with ITF umbrella associations and other international martial art organizations.



Mr. Kim Myong Gun, President of Asian Taekwon-Do Federation(ATF) & Secretary General of IMGC, Mr. Kim Hyong Rak, Secretary General of ITF and other TKD-related personnel presented flowers to the tomb of Gen. Choi Hong Hi at the Sinmiri Patriotic Martyrs' Cemetery located in Pyongyang, Capital of the DPR Korea and looked round the Taekwon-Do Holy House.





Commemorating the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of ITF, Taekwon-Do Technical Seminar was held at the Taekwon-Do Palace and media compilation “The 55-year history of the ITF” published.





Commemoration events were also hosted by ITF Umbrella organizations.

On the other hand, World Karate Confederation(WKC), International Jendo Federation(IJF), World Judo Federation(WJF), World Jiu-Jitsu Confederation(WJJC) and other international martial arts organizations congratulated ITF for its foundation anniversary.







*Happy Anniversary*  
**International Taekwon-do Federation**



Greetings from:

**International Jendo Federation (IJF)**

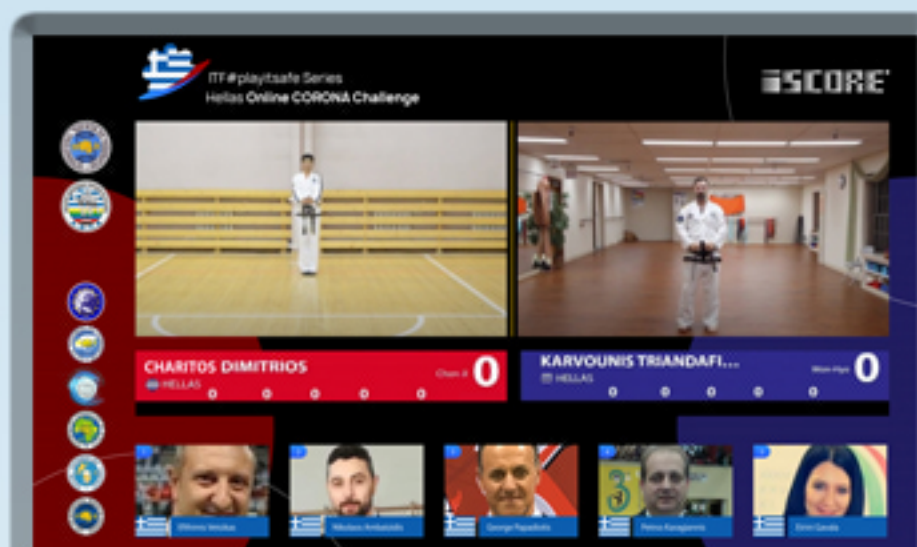
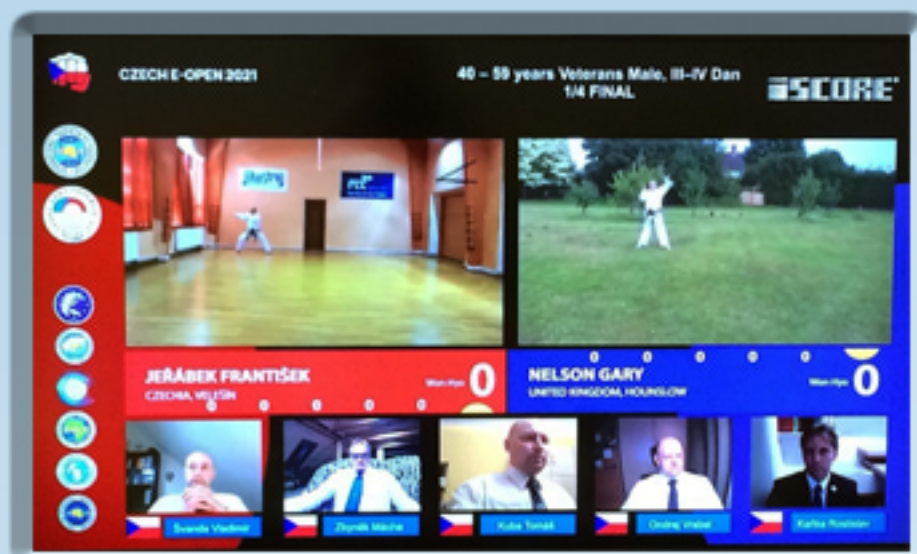




# “CZECH E-OPEN 2021” GAMES

“CZECH E-OPEN 2021” Taekwon-Do Games was held in Czech on March 27 and 28. Present at the Games were about four hundred athletes from Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, North Macedonia, Norway, Poland, Russia, Spain, Sweden, UK and Ukraine.

The Games was held with online provided by the International Taekwon-Do Federation and broadcasted through Youtube, Facebook and ITF website TV.





# NATIONAL KARATE CHAMPIONSHIP IN RUSSIA



National Karate Championship was held in Cheboksary, Chuvash Republic of Russia from March 5 to 8.

Approximately 1 400 athletes participated in the Championship from 36 regions of Russia including Moscow and St. Petersburg.





## NEWS IN BRIEF

Viacheslav Timofeev, Vice President of World Karate Confederation who is a key member of the 9<sup>th</sup> IMG Organizing Committee was awarded with a letter of commendation by the Chuvash Republic of Russia for his contribution to the development of martial art sports.



Online International Technical Seminar was hosted by Czech Taekwon-Do Association on April 10 and 11. About eighty black belt holders participated in the seminar from 22 countries including Czech.







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