



The 59th Edition No. 4/2022

MARTIAL ARTS

WORLD



I M G C

MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY GENERAL



Dear colleagues and friends,

Despite severe circumstances such as the continuous world health crisis a number of valuable successes have been gained in the work of IMGCC this year by the active efforts of many International Federations and National Martial Arts Organizations.

Through the championships or events that several IFs and NMGCs organized to suit to their conditions we have learned significant lessons for a new stage of advancement.

I highly appreciate the efforts of the leadership members and martial artists of our all member organizations who have find out the ways of new advance by displaying indomitable spirit even in the global health crisis and extend my encouraging greetings to you.

Expressing my expectation that all our member organizations and martial artists will further play a proactive role in the martial arts activities including the forthcoming 9th IMG, I wish all of you stay healthy, safe and happy in your family for a coming new year.

With best regards,

KIM Myong Gun

Secretary General, International Martial Art Games Committee

President, Asian Taekwon-Do Federation

President, Korean Taekwon-Do Committee



IMGCC Headquarters' Activities



Pof. Ri Yong Son, President of IMGCC and ITF visited Argentina in October this year.

He met Mr. Gerardo Zamora, the Governor of Santiago del Estero, and shared some matters of mutual interest concerning the 1st ITF World Cup

Taekwon-Do Games which was held firstly in the ITF history with great success.

Also, he attended the 1st ITF World Cup Taekwon-Do Games held in Santiago del Estero Argentina, from 3rd to 10th Oct, 2022.



Besides, on the occasion of the 104th birthday of Gen. Choi Hong Hi, the 1st president of IMGCC and ITF, the IMGCC HQs staff presented bouquets to his tomb at the Sinmiri Patriotic Martyrs Cemetery in Pyongyang, Capital of the DPR Korea.





Activities of **Martial Arts Organizations in 2022**

International Taekwon-Do Federation

The 1st World Cup Taekwon-Do Games have first ever successfully been held in Santiago del Estero Argentina, from 3rd to 10th Oct. 2022.

More than 1200 participants from 30 countries around the world including the athletes, umpires, coaches and officials took part in the Games.

At the Opening Ceremony that took place on 5th of October, 2022, at Nodo Tecnológico SDE Santiago del Estero, congratulatory speeches were made by the Governor and the ITF President.

The culmination of this festival was of course the Team Sparring at the level of Continent Europe vs Pan Am and the victory was on the side of Europe this time.





World Karate Confederation



The International Congress of the World Karate Confederation took place.

At the congress Dr. Viacheslav Timofeev (Russia) was elected as the President of WKC and Chairman of the Executive Committee of WKC by a qualified number of votes.

In order to recognize the merits and perpetuate the memory of Dr. Fritz Wendland (Germany), the Founding President of the World Karate Confederation, the decision of the WKC Executive Committee approved a new full official name - the World Karate Confederation, founded by Fritz Wendland (WKC).

In August, 2022, Cheboksary, the capital city of the Chuvash Republic (Russia), hosted the XIV World Championship for cadets, juniors, seniors and the World Cup for children of the World Karate Confederation (WKC).

829 representatives from 14 countries and territories of Europe, Asia and Africa took part in the competition.

**WORLD KARATE
CONFEDERATION (WKC)
FOUNDED BY FRITZ WENDLAND**

**19-22 AUGUST 2022
CHEBOKSARY
RUSSIA**



World Federation of Ju-Jitsu



In March and November, 2022, the World Federation of Ju-Jitsu(WFJ) organized a Hokutoryu Ju-Jitsu seminar in Finland.

The camp was attended by 400 adults and 100 juniors.

World Federation of Kowat Alrami & Self Defence

Trainers and Referees Seminar was held in May, 2022 in Syria by World Federation of Kowat Alrami and Self Defence.



DPR KOREA

MARTIAL ARTS FEDERATION

National Martial Arts Championship was held with splendor in Pyongyang, capital of the DPR Korea in April, 2022.

600 players from 40 teams took part in Taekwon-Do, Wushu, Karate-Do, Paduk(Go) and Janggi games.



NMGC OF INDIA

In May the 31st North & East India Taekwon-Do ITF Championship, in August the 17th South & West India ITF Taekwon-Do Championship, and in November the 33rd Delhi State Taekwon-do ITF Championship & 17th Sub-Junior ITF Taekwon-do Championship were held this year.



NMGC of Philippines



The 8th NMGC GAMES 2022 was held in the City of Mandaluyong, Philippines in November, 2022.

2022 National Open Jendo & Arnis Championships, 2022 National Open Karate-Do Championship, 2022 ITF-PTU National Taekwon-Do Championship and 2022 National Kuntaw Championship took place in the Games.



NMGC OF NEPAL

In June, 2022 the 7th National Professional ITF Taekwon-Do Championship was concluded with great success in the history of Nepal's martial arts sector.

Nepal ITF President, NNMGC President, and Senior Vice President of All Nepal Sports Federation, local ITF supporters, and journalists were present on the occasion.



International Council Sqay

The 11th International Sqay Masters Cup 2022 concluded at Phalgham club of Kashmir in which 5 countries participated.





NEWS IN BRIEF

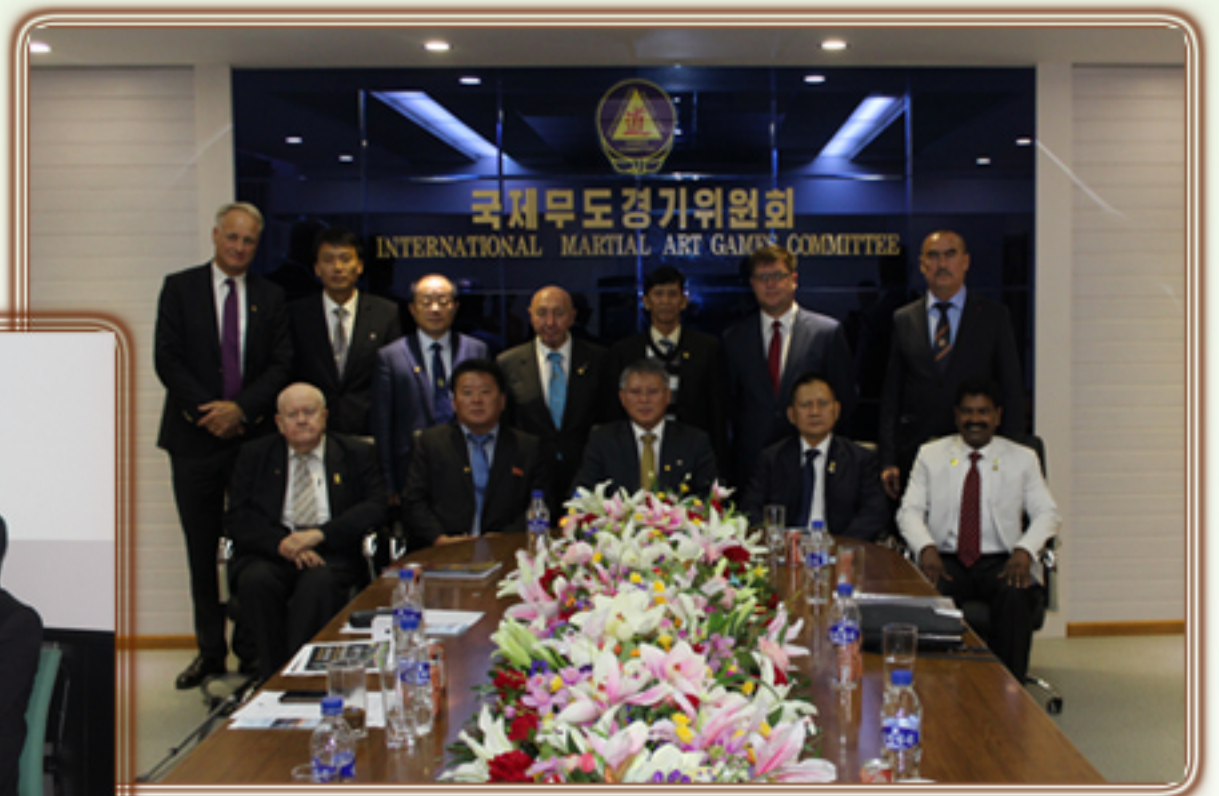


On 16th September, 2022 Dr. Paul G. Hoglund, Vice President of IMGC and President of World Jiu-Jitsu Confederation passed away at the age of 82.

He was one of the founders of Swedish Budo Federation, World Union of Karatedo Organizations, European Kung Fu Union, World Judo Federation, World Jiu-Jitsu Confederation and he worked as the president of several martial arts organizations.

He was elected as Vice President of IMGC at the 8th Congress of IMGC in New Delhi on 3rd December, 2015 and took an active part in the development of martial arts on an international scale.

His exploits made in building a justifiable and peaceful world under the ideal of friendship, cooperation and development will remain forever with IMGC.



In August, 2023, 22nd Taekwon-Do World Championship will be held in Kazakhstan.



Chukjon-dong No. 1, Mangyongdae Dist. Pyongyang, DPR Korea
Tel: 850-2-18111(ext.8677) Fax: 850-2-381-4410
P.O. BOX: 700 E-mail: imgc@silibank.net.kp
www.imgc-99.org