

## WKC WORLD KARATE CONFEDERATION

To all WKC member federations

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Dear Mr. President,

Only a few months to go for our next important event: the  $6^{th}$  WKC European Championships  $6^{th}$  to  $8^{th}$  June 2008 in Banja Luka. All our European member federations are kindly invited to attend this prestigious tournament. The hosting federation

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have prepared everything to make all participants welcome in the lovely capital of the Republika Srpska in Bosnia & Hercegovina. Please support the local organising committee by booking your hotel rooms as soon as possible and by giving the full details of your flight arrival at the international airport of Zagreb.

. Details of the hotels are on the WKC webpage.

You have already received the **entry forms** for the participation by e-mail from our Head Office. Please fill in the forms and return them before the **deadline** of **28<sup>th</sup> May 2008** to the WKC Office. Late entries after the deadline will be charged with double participation fees (individual 70  $\in$  instead of 35  $\in$  and teams 140  $\in$  instead of 70  $\in$ ).

**Important:** All Judges ,all new Judges and coaches have to attend the **full** referee seminar on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2008 8.30 to 16.30 hours. No late arrivals will be accepted. Referees and Senior Referees who have participated at the 6<sup>th</sup> World Championships in Bergamo 2007 have to take part in the final part of the course at 14.00 hours. Referees who did not attend the last years World Championships have to do the whole course!

The following WKC member federations attended the 3<sup>rd</sup> International Martial Art Games in Bangkok 12<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2008 in Bangkok, Thailand: SKB Czech Republic with the largest entry, AAU United States of America, DJKB Germany, SKFI India, USKO Russia, SKU Serbia, UAK Argentina, FIAM Italy. The karate competitors and officials gave the best presentation of all participating martial art federation and the WKC had the second largest entry next to taekwon-do (ITF). The 6<sup>th</sup> WKC Junior & Cadet World Championships and the World Cup for Children are well on the way in Novo Mesto, Slovenia. Please check our webpage for all necessary information on the hotels and make your bookings well in advance to get the best choice.

Please note: the WKC/USA is hosting the 7<sup>th</sup> World Championships in Florida, USA, 10<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> June 2009. It will be followed by the Open WKC Pan American Championships 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June 2009 which are open for all WKC members from around the world (not only national squad members but all karateka). On 15<sup>th</sup> and 16 June 2009 will be an open masters seminars with top Japanese instructors from the main WKC styles. This seminar is open for all karateka and will be a highlight in the history of the WKC. We will inform you of the instructors and the subjects of the course in due time.

Our member federation SKFI India is going to organise the  $3^{rd}$  Open WKC South East Asian Championships in 2009. We are starting to prepare the venue in cooperation with the SKFI. Details will be published later in the year.

We wish you all good preparations for the forthcoming tournaments.

Sincerely yours

WKC Office

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