



**WORLD
TAEKWONDO**
50th Anniversary

"PEACE IN MIND, TAEKWONDO AT HEART"

ANNUAL REPORT
2022-2023

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*"Peace in Mind,
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President's Message



Dear World Taekwondo Family,

This year we commemorate the 50th Founding Anniversary of the World Taekwondo. Since its humble beginnings with 35 representatives from 17 founding Member National Associations (MNAs), the World Taekwondo has blossomed into the fourth largest international federation (IF) in the Olympic and Paralympic movements, with a global membership of 213 MNAs this year after the inclusion of our latest member, Namibia.

Indeed, Taekwondo's outreach is phenomenal with a global representation of 53 MNAs in Africa, 44 in Asia, 52 in Europe, 19 in Oceania, and 45 in Pan America within half a century. The representation extends to the podium, with more than 100 MNAs having won medals at the World Taekwondo-promoted championships. When the medals won by MNAs at the continental and open championships are factored in, we can truly appreciate Taekwondo as a global phenomenon.

I wish to thank each and every one of you – the Taekwondo masters, the athletes, the coaches, the technical officials, the administrators, and the volunteers – for your contributions to the development of Taekwondo worldwide. Thank you for always having Taekwondo in your hearts and using it as a medium to promote peace to the world.

Since my last report to you in Sofia, Bulgaria, on the occasion of the World Taekwondo Cadet and Junior Championships, the World Taekwondo has made great strides in eight short months.

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First of all, I appointed a new Secretary General Mr. Jeongkang Seo. Mr. Seo has been with the World Taekwondo administration for almost two decades and has shown his capabilities in various roles, and his extensive knowledge of the Taekwondo family will be a key asset as we look towards the future.

I wish to thank every single MNA and organising committee for your generosity in hosting Taekwondo events in 2022. The global appeal of the World Taekwondo events continue to attract bids from around the world, as the 2024 editions of the World Taekwondo Junior Championships and the World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships were awarded to Chuncheon, the Republic of Korea, and Hong Kong, the Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China, respectively. Congratulations to our successful MNAs and we look forward to another year of exciting championships in the World Taekwondo calendar.

Taekwondo continued to inspire and foster partnerships for the underprivileged, through the inaugural Hope and Dreams Sports Festival in February this year with the participation of the World Baseball Softball Confederation and the president of the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations. A more ambitious and inclusive Hope and Dreams Sports Festival is being planned for 2024.

I am delighted to inform you that the International Olympic Committee has accepted 9 Taekwondo refugee athletes to date for the IOC Olympic Scholarship Programme for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. Taekwondo currently has the second largest number of refugee athletes selected for the programme and a few more applications are underway. Taekwondo gives hope and dreams to these athletes and I wish them all the best in their journey to Paris.

This year will be an even busier year for the World Taekwondo family, on the occasion of the 50th Founding Anniversary, with the World Taekwondo Championships and Golden Jubilee Gala in Baku, Azerbaijan; the World Taekwondo Cadet Championships in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina; the World Taekwondo Grand Prix Series in Rome (Italy), Paris (France), Taiyuan (China), and Manchester (U.K.); the World Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series in Wuxi; and in the multi-sport Games and sub-regional Games across the five continents.

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In addition for the first time ever, Virtual Taekwondo will be featured in the inaugural Olympic Esports Weeks to be held in Singapore on June 22-25, 2023, making Taekwondo the first and only combat sport to be included in the programme. This is an outstanding achievement for the World Taekwondo's ambitions to have Virtual Taekwondo included as an official medal sport in future Olympic Games.

In this regard, I wish to once again express my gratitude to each and every one of you, the World Taekwondo family, for your continued support of Taekwondo around the world. Thank you for always having **Peace in Mind, Taekwondo at Heart**.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Chungwon Choue".

Chungwon Choue
President

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Taekwondo's role in sports diplomacy

For decades, the World Taekwondo has contributed to sports diplomacy by focusing on Taekwondo's role in the fulfillment of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the Olympic Agendas; supporting environmental sustainability by being a signatory of the UN Climate Change initiative; and addressing social and health and wellbeing issues through the implementation of the new World Taekwondo Sustainability Strategy.

Since the onset of the war in Ukraine in early 2022, the World Taekwondo has joined the IOC and the international sports federations' (IFs) calls to stop the violence. The World Taekwondo condone such violent actions and mourn the loss of innocent human lives, and stood in solidarity with the Olympic and Paralympic movements when the Council decided to sanction the MNAs in Russia and Belarus from participation in Taekwondo events worldwide and also from hosting World Taekwondo events. In addition, the World Taekwondo and several MNAs extended and continue to offer financial, logistical, and emotional support to the athletes and officials from Ukraine.

The sanctions, however, have not brought about the desired effect of stopping the war. In fact, the World Taekwondo believes that only governments can stop wars if they have the resolve and political will to do so. While sport has an important role to play in the field of sports diplomacy, the desired effects from sanctions and boycotts are few and far between. Geographic boundaries continue to be drawn and revised in the political realm, and nations' ambitions and interpretation of culture and history continue to collide. It is, simply, unrealistic for sports with its limited political influence to sanction nations from all the incessant wars and conflicts that are happening around the world.

On March 28, 2023, the IOC issued a statement and recommendations to the IFs regarding the participation of Individual Neutral Athletes and Support Personnel. The World Taekwondo, governed by its Statutes, espouses peace and cooperation through participation in sport by respecting the values of tolerance and inclusiveness.

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Taekwondo's role in sports diplomacy

For this reason, despite the varied opinions of its members, the Council stood in solidarity on April 3rd to allow the participation of Individual Neutral Athletes and Support Personnel with Russian and Belarusian passports into World Taekwondo-promoted events, starting with the World Taekwondo Championships in Baku and the Roma 2023 Grand Prix Series, only if they fulfill a stringent verification process and conditions established by the ad-hoc World Taekwondo Review Committee.

Such a decision may never satisfy one party at all times nor will it appease all parties at one time, especially not when the war is ongoing. The World Taekwondo stands steadfast in calling for the aggressive nations to stop killing innocent lives. Nonetheless, the World Taekwondo recognizes that it is a necessary decision to kickstart the healing process by promoting peace and cooperation through participation in sport, especially for the cadet and junior athletes who will carry the messages of reconciliation and tolerance as they grow and become leaders of the world.

Peace is more precious than triumph, and it is never more relevant now on our 50th Founding Anniversary.

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World Taekwondo Council



Extraordinary Council Meeting (Bangkok, Thailand) | February 1, 2023

The World Taekwondo Council today met for the first time this year in Bangkok, Thailand, on February 1, 2023, in a hybrid format to discuss a number of key matters including selecting Chuncheon, Korea and Hong Kong, China as the hosts of the 2024 World Taekwondo Junior Championships and 2024 World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships respectively.

Chuncheon was awarded the 2024 World Taekwondo Junior Championships following a vote between the Korean city, Hong Kong and Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina. It is the second time that the World Taekwondo Junior Championships, which started in Barcelona, Spain in 1996, will be held in Korea after it was first held in the country 20 years ago in Suncheon in 2004. For the 2024 World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships, Hong Kong was the sole candidate and selected unanimously. It will be the first time Hong Kong has hosted the World Poomsae Championships which began in 2006.



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The Council meeting began with a moment's silence for the passing of former World Taekwondo Vice President Phillip Coles and former Chair of the World Taekwondo Technical Committee Eui-min Ko.



During the meeting, the Council also approved the inauguration of World Cup Taekwondo Team Championships in Korea this year as well as Chuncheon's bid to organise the 2023 World Taekwondo Beach Championships, Octagon Diamond Game, and Demonstration Team Championships as a Cultural Festival.

The Council also welcomed two new members Ms. Nikita Glasnovic and Mr. Stephen Lambdin who are the co-chairs of the Athletes Committee whose term will be until Baku General Assembly. There were also reports on this year's Golden Jubilee celebrations, Best Athletes of the past Olympic and Paralympic Games, and the LA 28 qualification system, as well as Para taekwondo's inclusion in the LA 28 Paralympic Games.

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Extraordinary Council Meeting (Online) | April 3, 2023

The World Taekwondo Council convened today for an Extraordinary meeting to discuss the IOC Executive Board's recommendations for International Federations on the neutral participation of athletes and support personnel with Russian or Belarusian passports.

The Council reaffirmed its calls for peace and its solidarity with the Olympic community in Ukraine. World Taekwondo will continue to support Ukrainian athletes in ensuring they can participate in Taekwondo events.

Following deliberation, the Council decided to allow the participation of Individual Neutral Athletes and Support Personnel with Russian and Belarusian passport holders at the World Taekwondo-promoted Championships, starting from the Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships at the end of May.

A decision on the participation of Individual Neutral Athletes and Support Personnel with Russian and Belarusian passports in other events not promoted by World Taekwondo will be made after the Baku 2023 World Taekwondo Championships.

The Council also approved the establishment of a Review Committee and verification process to ensure strict neutrality of the participating Individual Neutral Athletes and Support Personnel.

The three-step verification process will involve verification by the Member National Association and Continental Union, followed by individual-led confirmation by the athletes and support personnel, before the final assessment and approval by the Review Committee.

The participation of any Individual Neutral Athletes in World Taekwondo promoted competitions will be held under the clear principles and guidelines established by the IOC Executive Board.

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Secretary General's Report

Dear Presidents and Secretaries General, dear colleagues,
It is my privilege to present the World Taekwondo Operations Report for the period between August 2022 and April 2023 as your Secretary General.

1. World Taekwondo Hall of Fame

At the General Assembly in Sofia, Bulgaria, on August 1, 2022, the World Taekwondo inaugurated the founding class of its Hall of Fame by recognising the following inductees (family names at the back):



- Lifetime Achievement Award - The late Dr. Unyong Kim (Represented by Ms. Helen Kim)
- Lifetime Achievement Award - The late Mr. Juan Antonio Samaranch
- Official Category: Mr. Daisoon Lee
- Official Category: The late Gen. Ahmed Fouly (Represented by Mr. Mohamed Fouly)
- Athlete Category: Mr. Kookhyun Jung
- Athlete Category: Ms. Zhong Chen

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2. World Taekwondo Championships and promoted events

The World Taekwondo family worldwide continued to display remarkable recovery to normalisation of events after Sofia. The World Taekwondo Championships returned to Mexico for the second time since 2013 and to Pan America for the sixth time in its history, this time in Guadalajara, in November 2022.

Congratulations to the 28 MNAs that secured at least a medal at the Guadalajara 2022 World Taekwondo Championships, and to the host country for topping the medal table for the first time in history! The Pan American Taekwondo Union also put on a show when it hosted its inaugural Gala at the Hospicio Cabañas, which was originally an almshouse, hospital and orphanage when it opened in 1803 and became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1997.



After the Grand Prix Series in Rome in June 2022, the World Taekwondo Grand Prix Series continued its tour in Paris (September) and in Manchester (October), as well as the Grand Prix Final for the first time in Riyadh (December).



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The 2022 Grand Prix Series featured Para Taekwondo, culminating in a historic and inclusive Gala Awards and Dinner in Riyadh where able-bodied and Para Taekwondo athletes were recognised together for their incredible achievements in 2022.

Between late March and early April 2023, the World Taekwondo Grand Slam Champions Series returned to Wuxi, China, after a 3-year hiatus as a result of the pandemic, as the athletes upped their preparations for the qualification to the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

3. Olympic Games Selection and Training Camps for IRs

Between February and March 2023, the World Taekwondo conducted four Selection and Training Camps with the ultimate aim of choosing 13 male and 13 female international referees (IRs) for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. This is the World Taekwondo's fifth edition of such selection camps since the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games, to ensure the best IRs across the five continents are chosen to officiate in the Olympic Games.

Continent	Host Country / Date	No. of Participants	No. of selected IRs
Asia / Oceania	Tashkent (UZB) Feb. 14-16, 2023	Asia (80) Oceania (20)	Asia (8M / 8F) Oceania (2M / 2F)
Pan America	Queretaro (MEX) Feb. 21-23, 2023	60	7M / 7F
Africa	Algiers (ALG) Mar. 9-11, 2023	40	5M / 5F
Europe	Brussels (BEL) Mar. 14-16, 2023	70	8M / 8F

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Each camp consisted of the following tests: Scoring Test (20%); Games Management Test (60%); Competition Rules Test (Written: 10%); Oral English Test (10%). In an innovation not used in previous camps, a state-of-the-art motor response device, Motion Tap, was used to systematically and accurately measure referees' agility, and responsiveness.

There is considerable depth of experience in the preliminary list of IRs selected from the camps. Of the 60 IRs, 17 had officiated at the Olympic Games in Tokyo in 2021.



4. Membership

New Member

The World Taekwondo welcomed its 213 MNA in its illustrious history with the addition of Namibia in 2023. With this latest membership, the World Taekwondo is now the fourth largest IF among the Olympic sports.

Suspension Lifted

The World Taekwondo also lifted the suspension of the Singapore Taekwondo Federation (STF) after its suspension in 2019. The lifting the suspension was timely, as Singapore prepares to host the inaugural Olympic Esports Week on June 22-25, 2023, which will feature Virtual Taekwondo.

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Recognition of New Member

Following careful consideration and consultation with the Member Relations and Development (MRD) Commission, the Integrity Committee, and the Juridical Committee, the World Taekwondo decided to conditionally recognise the Federação Portugal Taekwondo (PORTKD) as the MNA of Portugal.

The condition is that the European Taekwondo Union is expected to provide an assessment report and recommendation regarding the PORTKD to the MRD Commission after a six-month period, at which point the Commission shall determine next steps, which may include granting full membership status, seeking another member, or to extending the evaluation period. This is not the standard pathway, as it is unusual for the World Taekwondo to change MNAs after many years of recognition.

MNA Survey

The World Taekwondo conducted a global survey of its MNAs, as part of its effort to better understand and to help enhance the capacity of administration and governance of each MNA. The survey was conducted online from October 7 to 21, 2022 in four languages: English, French, Spanish and Arabic.

The survey questionnaire consisted of 31 questions, including six for background information and 25 measurable indicators covering five principles: Governance, Transparency, Integrity, Democracy, and Development. The 25 questions were scored on a 0-2 scale, with a maximum possible score of 50 points. Some of the questions required supporting evidence, such as file attachments or website links.

Article 8.4 of the World Taekwondo Statutes states that participation in MNA Survey is one of the membership requirements. Out of 212 WT MNAs surveyed in 2022, a total of 163 MNAs (77%) participated in the survey.

The 2022 MNA survey report served as the basis for creating the MNA Ranking, which is set to be publicly released in the first half of 2024. The World Taekwondo recognises the importance of assessing the state of good governance among MNAs to identify the most effective solutions for continuous improvement.

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The World Taekwondo Development Program is designed to provide support for equipment, expenses, scholarships, and funds to Stakeholders to ensure the sustainable growth of Taekwondo, the enhancement of the Stakeholders' capacities, and the cultivation of talent from the grassroots to elite levels all over the world.

The World Taekwondo provides development funds for projects to MNAs, directly to athletes and administration support to the respective Continental Unions (CUs).

In the year 2023, the World Taekwondo reinstated Individual Female Athlete Scholarship to achieve the goal of gender equality (UN SDG-5) in the Development Program 2023. The World Taekwondo received applications through an online submission form and requested submission of final reports in order to track the improvement and development impact resulting from support from the World Taekwondo.

CU Development Fund 2023

In 2023, for the CU Development Fund, the World Taekwondo has allocated the following amounts based on the number of applied projects:

Continental Union	2023 (in USD)
Africa	164,000
Asia	148,000
Europe	164,000
Oceania	118,000
Pan America	150,000

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MNA Equipment Support 2022

In 2022, the World Taekwondo executed the MNA Equipment Support program, which provided equipment to a total of 10 countries. Three of the countries that received equipment were the Kyrgyz Republic, Sri Lanka, and Timor Leste, which were supported by the Taekwondo Peace Corps.

CONTINENT	MNA EQUIPMENT SUPPORT 2022
ASIA	AFGHANISTAN
ASIA	KYRGYZSTAN
ASIA	PAKISTAN
ASIA	SRI LANKA
ASIA	TIMOR LESTE
EUROPE	ALBANIA
EUROPE	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
EUROPE	MALTA
PAN AM	CUBA
PAN AM	VENEZUELA

MNA Participation Support for the World Taekwondo General Assembly 2022

Originally, the World Taekwondo offered participation support for 20 countries for the General Assembly 2022. However, only seven countries were confirmed to have participated on site among the 20 countries after the OGA 2022. All seven countries were categorized in Tier III.

A maximum of USD 500 for accommodation and USD 2,500 for a roundtrip, economy class airfare per person is allocated to each selected MNA to send a delegate to the General Assembly.

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CONTINENT	MNA PARTICIPATION SUPPORT FOR WT GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2022
AFRICA	NIGER
AFRICA	SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE
AFRICA	SENEGAL
ASIA	NEPAL
ASIA	PALESTINE
OCEANIA	FRENCH POLYNESIA
PAN AM	HAITI

MNA Participation Support for the World Taekwondo Championships 2022

World Taekwondo received 37 applications from countries for participation in the WT Championships 2022. It was confirmed that 20 countries participated in the championships, and all 20 countries received support from World Taekwondo.

A maximum of USD 500 for accommodation and USD 2,500 for a roundtrip, economy class airfare per person is allocated to each selected MNA for an athlete and/or a coach depending on MNA's Category.

CONTINENT	MNA PARTICIPATION SUPPORT FOR WT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022
AFRICA	BURKINA FASO
AFRICA	CAPE VERDE
AFRICA	ESWATINI

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CONTINENT	MNA PARTICIPATION SUPPORT FOR WT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2022
AFRICA	LESOTHO
AFRICA	MALI
AFRICA	NIGER
AFRICA	SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE
AFRICA	SENEGAL
AFRICA	SOMALIA
ASIA	JORDAN
ASIA	MONGOLIA
ASIA	PALESTINE
ASIA	SRI LANKA
EUROPE	BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA
EUROPE	GEORGIA
EUROPE	PORTUGAL
PAN AM	EL SALVADOR
PAN AM	HAITI
PAN AM	JAMAICA
PAN AM	VENEZUELA

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Individual Athlete Scholarship 2022/2023

In 2022 and 2023, 10 individual athlete scholarships were awarded. Four athletes were supported in 2022, and six athletes were supported in 2023. USD 5,000 is allocated to each selected scholarship holder.

Individual Female Athlete Scholarship 2023

In 2023, the World Taekwondo reinstated the Female Athlete Scholarship to achieve the goal of gender equality. Four female athletes received the scholarship in 2023. USD 5,000 is allocated to each selected scholarship holder.

Refugee Solidarity Program 2022/2023

The Refugee Solidarity financial support program was implemented and plan to support project by project. The World Taekwondo provides funds according to project proposals submitted by athletes. Farzad Mansouri was included in late 2022 and was selected to be supported along with Kimia Alizadeh Zenozi and Fatemeh Jami in 2023. Yahya Basam Al Ghotany is set to be supported in 2023.

The four refugee athletes will receive support for training and competition through the 2023 Refugee Athlete Support Programme, complementing the IOC Olympic Scholarship Programme for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. A maximum of USD 12,000 is allocated to each selected refugee athlete.

IOC-IF Development Program 2022

Tajikistan, South Africa, and Sudan received project funds supported by the IOC in 2022.

The above information was written as of the end of April, and any programs added subsequently will be reported in the next annual report 2023-2024 such as providing MNAs with Equipment Support 2023, and Participation Support to the General Assembly and World Taekwondo Championships in Baku 2023.

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The World Taekwondo organises social development projects for underprivileged groups around the world through its Cares programme. Since its pilot project in Kilis, Turkiye, January 2016, the World Taekwondo Cares has been changing the lives of the underprivileged in developing and underdeveloped countries for the past seven years. The World Taekwondo is greatly supported by the Asia Development Foundation (ADF) - a partnership that began in 2019 and focuses on the Asian continent.

On March 28, 2023, the Opening Ceremony of the World Taekwondo-ADF Cares was organized in Bishkek, the Kyrgyz Republic, becoming the first country in Central Asia to benefit from the programme.

The Cares programme in the Kyrgyz Republic comprises one in downtown Bishkek for orphans of SOS Children's Villages; and the other in Teplokluchenka near the Issyk-Kul Lake mostly for orphans at the Ak-Suu Boarding School.



New Cares projects have recently started in Pakistan and Sri Lanka from May 1, 2023. These projects will run for one year and aim to assist orphans and street children in vulnerable conditions. In the latter half of 2023, more Cares projects will be launched with the goal of expanding the programme's scope to other continents.

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World Taekwondo Committees

In April 2023, the World Taekwondo launched a call for highly qualified individuals to join its Committees, both from within and outside the Taekwondo community. The organization was seeking individuals with specialized skills to help navigate the increasingly complex international environment, with a particular focus on fostering gender balance, athlete representation, and diverse and innovative decision-making practices.

The Committees play a crucial role in shaping the policies and strategies of the World Taekwondo. The Committees require individuals with a deep understanding of the issues and challenges facing Taekwondo today, as well as the ability to offer creative solutions.

The response to the call for applications was remarkable, with a total of 454 applications submitted in just two weeks (from April 17 to May 1). The overwhelming number of applicants demonstrates a high level of interest and dedication among individuals with specialized skills who wish to contribute to the development of Taekwondo.

The World Taekwondo recognises the importance of finding exceptional candidates who can help shape the future of the sport. The organisation expresses its gratitude to everyone who shared the information and encourages potential candidates to apply in future recruitment rounds. Together, the World Taekwondo aims to build a more diverse, inclusive, and successful future for Taekwondo.

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5. Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation

The World Taekwondo is recognised within the Olympic and Paralympic movements as one of the pioneering IFs on humanitarian activities, including having a dedicated refugee team in its events and organising numerous programs for refugees and displaced persons, through its partnership with the Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation (THF).

The first ever THF Hope and Dreams Sports Festival was held in Jordan on February 25-27 giving refugees and displaced persons the opportunity to compete in Taekwondo and Baseball5 competitions.



The festival was organized by the THF and the World Taekwondo in collaboration with the World Baseball and Softball Confederation (WBSC), reflecting the increased collaboration between the three organisations. The THF has hosted Hope and Dreams events in the Azraq and Za'atari refugee camps since 2021, but this marked an expansion to a multi-sport festival.

The festival took place in the Azraq Refugee Camp and Jordan's capital Amman, with around 300 young refugee athletes competing, including a refugee team from Afghanistan.

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On February 25 in the Azraq Refugee Camp, there were Taekwondo and Baseball5 demonstrations as well as an exchange with refugee participants and games. On February 27 in the Jordanian capital, there was a Hope and Dreams Refugee Taekwondo Championships for Cadet and Junior categories and was followed in the afternoon by Taekwondo Championships for Senior categories and a Baseball5 Championships. Representatives from the Association of Summer Olympic International Federation (ASOIF), UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, and the International University Sports Federation, were also in attendance.



The THF Board of Trustees also met in Amman and via video conference for those who could not make the trip, in addition to the meeting held in the WBSC headquarters on December 1, 2022.

The World Taekwondo is currently in discussions with six Olympic sports to join the 2024 edition of the Hope and Dreams Sports Festival, which will be the setting to launch the Hope and Dreams Sports Peace Corps and a Global Citizen Programme for the refugees and displaced persons.

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6. Bid for the World Taekwondo headquarters



On April 24, 2023, the World Taekwondo selected Chuncheon in the Gangwon province of the Republic of Korea as its preferred city for its headquarters following an extensive bid and evaluation process.

The World Taekwondo and Chuncheon will discuss the proposed details for the new headquarters, including location, construction, rights and responsibilities, financial support and design, between April 28 and July 28. Once the final details have been agreed, an official contract signing ceremony will be scheduled for August.

The selection of Chuncheon following an open bid process was overseen by a specially created ad-hoc Evaluation Committee chaired by World Taekwondo Treasurer Pimol Srivikorn and composed of World Taekwondo Council Member Maher Magableh, and World Taekwondo Advisors: Ambassador Young-sun Kim (former diplomat), Juhwan Seo (professor of landscape architecture) and Hyeongtaek Lee (lawyer).

Cities were invited to submit letters of intent, proposals and had to complete questionnaires by April 17. Later, the committee members made site visits to the Chuncheon and Gimpo on April 18 and April 19 respectively before they organised the evaluation meetings on April 19 and April 24 to select the successful candidate.

Chuncheon was selected as the preferred host city based on its strong Taekwondo heritage, having hosted many national and international Taekwondo events for the past 20 years, and its high scores across the evaluation criteria of sustainability, suitability, facility infrastructure and expected impact.

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Audited Report for Financial Year 2022

1. Treasurer's Report

**SUBJECT: WORLD TAEKWONDO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FY2022
WORLD TAEKWONDO BUDGET FOR FY2023**

**On the occasion of the World Taekwondo Council Meeting and
General Assembly in Baku, Azerbaijan on May 28, 2023**

Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

I have examined the financial statements of the World Taekwondo for the year ending December 31, 2022, which were thoroughly prepared and verified by the authorized persons from the Finance Department of World Taekwondo.

In accordance with the Korean International Financial Reporting Standard (KIFRS), the Accounting Corporation Nexia Samduk have audited the consolidated financial statements which comprise of the statement of financial position, the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income, and statement of changes in equity. I hereby confirm that the financial position of the World Taekwondo ending December 31, 2022 is in good standing.

In addition in my capacity as Treasurer, the budget prepared for the year of 2023 is appropriate and is in line with the missions and development objectives of the World Taekwondo.

Sincerely yours,



Pimol Srivikorn
Treasurer, World Taekwondo

2. Auditor's Report

Dear Sirs/Mesdames,

As an Auditor of World Taekwondo, I have examined the Financial Statements of World Taekwondo ending December 31, 2022 based on information delivered me by World Taekwondo. I confirm that the Financial Statements audited by the independent auditing firm, Nexia Samduk are in conformity with the general accounting principles in accordance with the Korean International Financial Reporting Standard (KIFRS).

Sincerely yours,



Ali Sagirkaya
Auditor, World Taekwondo

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	Notes	December 31, 2022	
		Korean won in thousands	U.S. dollar (Note 2)
Assets			
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	4,5,19	₩ 3,276,940	\$ 2,585,765
Short-term financial instruments	4,5,19	14,333,627	11,310,366
Other current financial assets	4,5,19	1,709,385	1,348,840
Other current assets		3,668	2,894
Total current assets		19,323,620	15,247,865
Non-current assets:			
Long-term financial instruments	4,5,19	-	-
Property and equipment, net	7	204,883	161,669
Right-of-use assets	20	168,828	133,219
Intangible assets, net	8	40,375	31,859
Other non-current financial assets	5,6,19	680,557	537,013
Deferred tax assets	17	-	-
Total non-current assets		1,094,643	863,760
Total assets		₩ 20,418,263	\$ 16,111,625
Liabilities and net assets			
Current liabilities:			
Short-term financial liabilities	5,9,19	₩ 218,214	\$ 172,188
Other current liabilities	10	355,639	280,627
Advance received from IOC Fund	11	9,025,347	7,121,713
Lease liabilities	5,20	253,753	200,231
Income tax payable		9,390	7,409
Total current liabilities		9,862,343	7,782,168
Non-current liabilities:			
Severance and retirement benefits	12	319,353	251,995
Lease liabilities	5,20	-	-
Deferred tax liabilities	17	9,712	7,664
Total non-current liabilities		329,065	259,659
Total liabilities		10,191,408	8,041,827
Net assets			
Net assets with no restriction:	13		
Unappropriated retained earning		10,224,855	8,068,220
		10,224,855	8,068,220
Net assets with permanent restriction	13	2,000	1,578
Total net assets		10,226,855	8,069,798
Total liabilities and net assets		₩ 20,418,263	\$ 16,111,625

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	<u>Notes</u>	<u>2022</u>	
		<u>Korean won in thousands</u>	<u>U.S. dollar (Note 2)</u>
Operating revenue	14		
Non-profit segment revenue		₩ 12,431,995	\$ 9,809,828
Profit making segment revenue		1,996,919	1,575,727
Total operating revenue		14,428,914	11,385,555
Operating expenses	15	(11,808,308)	(9,317,690)
Net operating income		2,620,606	2,067,865
Non-operating revenue	16	1,793,868	1,415,504
Non-operating expenses	16	489,914	386,581
Net income before income taxes		3,924,560	3,096,788
Income tax expense	17	90,790	71,640
Net income		₩ 3,833,770	\$ 3,025,148
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the year			
Remeasurement income (loss) on net of defined benefit liability	12	184	145
Other comprehensive income (loss) for the year		184	145
Total comprehensive income for the year		₩ 3,833,954	\$ 3,025,293

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Projected operational budget for Financial Year 2023

	2023 (Projected)		2022	
	KRW	USD	KRW	USD
Operating Revenue				
IOC Olympic Games revenue	4,998,944,010	3,944,562	4,939,207,000	3,897,425
Donations/Grants/Subsidies	3,450,466,928	2,722,691	3,133,579,000	2,472,642
IR fee & annual membership fee	1,207,960,000	953,176	1,175,615,000	927,653
Competitions (Hosting fees)	2,550,000,000	2,012,152	1,619,995,000	1,278,305
Department operations	3,540,319,243	2,793,592	3,560,518,000	2,809,530
Total Operating Revenue	15,747,690,181	12,426,174	14,428,914,000	11,385,555
Operating Expenses				
Salaries, severance, and benefits	2,159,104,504	1,703,704	2,486,146,000	1,961,766
Service contract expenses	66,600,000	52,553	410,908,000	324,239
Employee benefits	279,972,000	220,920	395,645,000	312,195
Telephone and Communication	20,000,000	15,782	27,802,000	21,938
Anti-doping fee	728,447,750	574,803	754,846,000	595,633
Office rental	87,210,350	68,816	76,209,000	60,135
Taxes and dues	60,000,000	47,345	103,159,000	81,401
Insurance expenses	20,500,000	16,176	37,976,000	29,966
Vehicles maintenance	60,000,000	47,345	72,241,000	57,004
Delivery and freight costs	12,000,000	9,469	12,739,000	10,052
Printing	15,000,000	11,836	130,176,000	102,719
Competition	977,749,000	771,521	1,088,866,000	859,201
Development fund	1,912,916,928	1,509,443	1,225,094,000	966,696
Supporting expenses by government fund	1,310,000,000	1,033,694	645,301,000	509,194
Taekwondo demo team	384,990,000	303,788	430,932,000	340,039
Other supporting expenses (inc. department operations)	7,391,599,649	5,832,557	3,910,268,000	3,085,511
Special projects for 50th Founding Anniversary	261,600,000	206,423	-	-
Total Operating Expenses	15,747,690,181	12,426,174	11,808,308,000	9,317,690
Note 1: Exchange rate USD 1 = KRW 1,267.30. Based on year-end exchange rate of 2022				
Note 2: 2022 figures in KRW are based on audited Financial Statement 2022				

SAMPLE COLLECTION

TOTAL
COMPLETED
TESTS
369

SAMPLES
COLLECTED
FROM
231
ATHLETES

MEN/WOMEN
53 **47**
PERCENTAGE (%)

FROM ATHLETES
BELONGING TO
54
NATIONALITIES

TOP TESTED NATIONALITIES



TOTAL
SAMPLES
COLLECTED
360



SAMPLES COLLECTED
OUT-OF-COMPETITION **161**



199 SAMPLES COLLECTED
IN-COMPETITION

TYPE OF SAMPLE

Urine **346** Blood **14**

RESULTS MANAGEMENT

Number of potential
Anti-Doping Rule
Violations (ADRVs)

7

Number of sanctioned
Anti-Doping Rule
Violations (ADRVs)

2

THERAPEUTIC USE EXEMPTIONS

Number
of applications

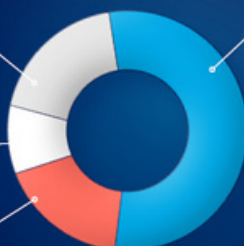
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2 PENDING

1 DENIED

2 CLOSED

6 APPROVED



PARTICIPANTS 51,714

ATHLETE REGISTRATIONS
37,597



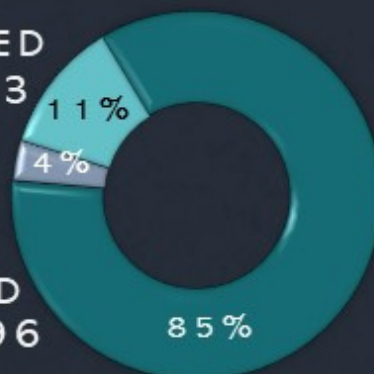
33,329 (89%)
ATHLETE PARTICIPATION

EVENTS
113

WT PROMOTED
13

MULTISPORT
4

WT SANCTIONED
96



EVENTS PER CONTINENTAL UNION

WT ONLINE 3 3%

OCEANIA 7 6%

AFRICA 7 6%

ASIA 24 21%

PAN AM 30 27%

EUROPE 42 37%



COMPETITION
MANAGEMENT PROVIDERS 10

158⁺ WT REFUGEE TEAM
COUNTRIES

PARTICIPANTS 4,435

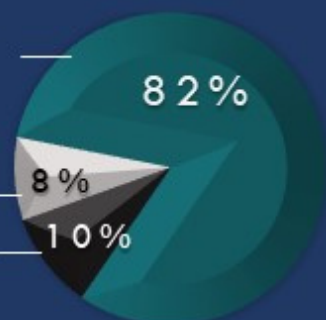


FEMALE
965
(21.2%)

MALE
3,470
(78.2%)



COMPLETED
3,615
**DIDN'T
COMPLETE** 374
FAILED
446



**CERTIFIED
MEMBERS 1,960**



Para TKD National Classifier LVL 2
Para TKD National Classifier LVL 1
Para TKD Coach LVL 2
IR Seminar Course
Para TKD Coach LVL 1
IR Refresher Course
IR Training Program
Coach Refresher Course
Coach LVL 2
Coach LVL 1

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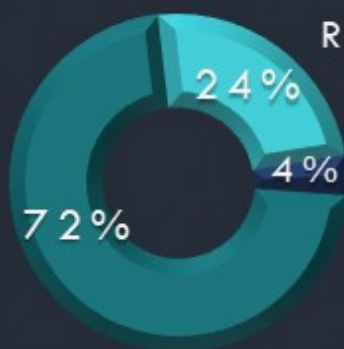
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COURSES
111

COURSE TYPE



80
COACH



REFEREE
27

4 **PARA
NATIONAL
CLASSIFIER**

World Taekwondo Sustainability Strategy

3 Focus Areas,
72 Targets

The way to address our impact as an international sports federation to ensure that the current and future generations of *Taekwondoin* may continue to enjoy the sport of Taekwondo and, through it, contribute to an inclusive and peaceful society.



ALIGNMENT WITH GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS

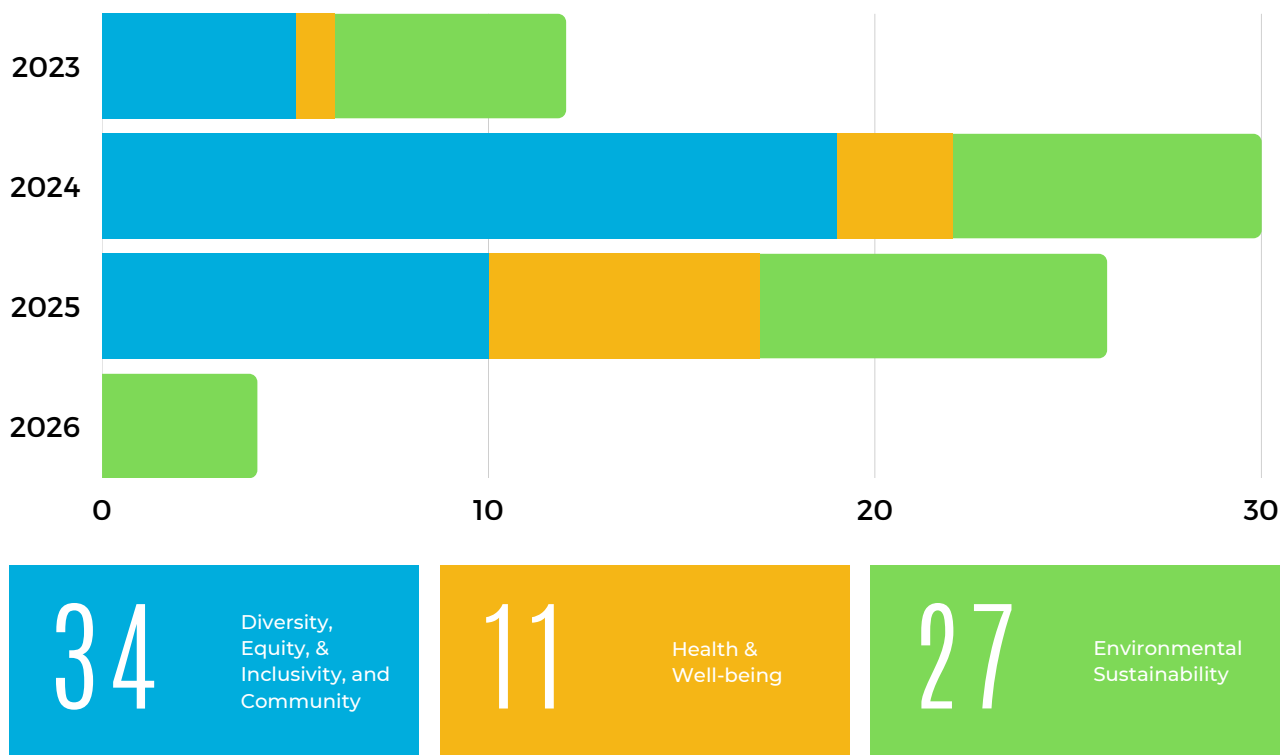
The World Taekwondo Sustainability Strategy is aligned with global standards and benchmarks, including the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the IOC Olympic Agenda and Olympic Agenda 2020+5.

In particular, the World Taekwondo Sustainability Strategy comprises 72 targets in three Focus Areas - Diversity, Equity, & Inclusivity (DEI) and Community, Health and Well-being, and Environmental Sustainability, contributes mainly to the eight SDGs as shown above.

The World Taekwondo Sustainability Strategy is attached as an appendix to the Annual Report 2022-2023.

World Taekwondo Sustainability Strategy

Timeline of Targets and Deadlines



APPROACH TO STRATEGY

The type of activities that were selected were based on consideration of internal World Taekwondo documents, stakeholder survey responses, and global targets including but not limited to the UN Sustainable Development Goals, UNFCCC Sports for Climate Action framework, UNHCR Global Compact on Refugees, and the Olympic Agenda 2020 and Olympic Agenda 2020+5.



90% of World Taekwondo MNAs responded that Sustainability is Extremely Important or Very Important during our survey



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