



19. Mr. KOLVART Mihhail

- Current Position: MNA President • Gender: Male
- Date of Birth: November 24, 1977 • Nationality: Estonia
- Language: English, Estonian, Russian

A. Qualification & Experience in Taekwondo

Starting from 1993, worked in Tallinn as a Taekwondo coach.
In 2017, he was elected as President of the Estonian Taekwondo Federation.
In 2022 obtained a honorary 7 dan from Kukkiwon.
From 2021 September member of European Taekwondo Union Council.

B. Experience in Other Areas (Other Sports, Business or Professional)

In 2016, became a member of the Executive Committee of the Estonian Olympic Committee.
On 30 September 2019, was made an honorary citizen of Seoul.
On 10 September 2023, was elected leader of the Estonian Centre Party (biggest party in Estonia).
April 2011 to November 2017, deputy mayor of Tallinn.
2017 to 2019, the chairman of the Tallinn City Council.
April 2019 to March 2024, elected mayor of Tallinn.
Now - member of Tallinn City Council.

C. Education

Studied jurisprudence and later business law.

D. Vision for WT in next 4-years

1. Taekwondo Show and Technical Battles — a new discipline designed to captivate younger audiences through creativity, acrobatics, rhythm, and visual impact.
2. Do not enforce 100% gender parity in coaching, refereeing, or leadership roles if a fair and qualified selection process does not naturally lead to it. Prioritize merit, professionalism, and motivation over formal equality to maintain integrity in decision-making.
3. Introduce eco-conscious practices that reduce waste rather than increase costs: Avoid frequent changes to uniforms or competition equipment. Cut down on excessive free merchandise, disposable items, and unnecessary printing during championships. Encourage material efficiency, reusable branding assets, and digital alternatives where practical. Promote a “less but better” philosophy: sustainability through simplicity, not spending.

4. More efficient decision-making. Ensure WT and continental commissions are clearly defined in purpose. Introduce clear and consistent standards for the number of members in boards and commissions within whole Taekwondo organizations: continentals and MNAs.
