

Updated General report of the Solidarity and Sport for All Committee

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The Solidarity and Sport for All Committee in WAKO leads many actions for the benefit of national Federation and athletes in particular in Asia and Africa because of bilateral existing agreement between the Asian Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO ASIA) and African Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO AFRICA).

Back in 2012, WAKO Asia and WAKO African signed a collaboration bilateral agreement to assist each other and their mutual members to promote and develop Kickboxing by different means, administration, seminar, coaching, competition and etc...

In fact, both Asian and African Kickboxing Confederation never had any subsidies from any sources, the idea was to work out together with their internal and management sources and find the best way to achieve our goal in that particular solidarity program and Sport for all at least in that way bring the possibility to other to practice our sport.

There were various actions took place in particular the organization of African Championships in 2012 in Madagascar during which all matters were coordinated by WAKO ASIA President Mr. Nassiri directly including preparation and travel of all referee/judges including WAKO President Mr. Ennio Falsoni.





In September 2013: Participation of African Kickboxing Confederation's officials during 2013 Incheon Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games in Korea, preparation and organization. Other WAKO officials also from Europe were called to assist in solidarity with Asian Kickboxing Confederation



In April 2014: Preparation of African Championships in Cameroon with coordination of President of African Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO Africa) and its Vice President Mr. Driss El Hilali Vice President of African Confederation, WAKO board member and member of WAKO Solidarity and Sport for All Committee.

Since its creation, the solidarity and sport for all Committee of the WAKO in 2016, chaired by Mr. Nasser Nassiri and with collaboration of its member Mr. Driss Elhilali (take in consideration that Mr. Nassiri and Mr. El Hilali are the chairman of Solidarity and Sport of all committee in their continental Asia and Africa confederation respectively) have launched several initiatives in favor of national Federations and their athletes from the Asia and African Continents.



In order to encourage the African officials and part of bilateral above mentioned collaboration agreement, one more time the referees/judges and official from the African continent were invited to take part alongside the other Asian referees in the Wako Asian kickboxing championship organized during September 2016 under auspices of the 2016 Cheongju World Martial Arts Masterships. The event served as qualification of Asian Athletes for 2017 World Games Wroclaw (Poland). WAKO ASIA was the first continent achieved the qualification for its athletes for 2017 World Games.



In December 2016 : Just three months later, after the short notice requested by WAKO in late November 2016 in Athens (Greece), Mr. Emmanuel Essissima and Mr. Driss El Hilali the president and Vice President of WAKO Africa respectively, assisted by Mr. Nassiri, WAKO Asia President and Vice President of WAKO programmed African championship of K1 qualifying for the African Athletes for World Games 2017 in Poland despite of just few week.

The Championships were held part of solidarity program and bilateral agreement between Asian and African confederations, on December 2016 in Rabat / Morocco with active participation of Mr. Nasser Nassiri, Mr. Emmanuel Essissima and Mr. Driss El Hilali.

Mr. Essissima preferred not to travel and reserve his ticket money for the cost of federation and he believe there are already competent person in place such as Mr; Nassiri, Mr. Abdulkarim El Hilali (President of Morocco Kickboxing Federation) and Mr; Driss El Hilali and many other official from African confederation such as chairman of Referee committee Mr. Mostafa Elrhannam.

It was a very risky and difficult championship for the simple of short notice to held the qualification before end of December 2016 without any subsidies and financial support.



Thanks to Morocco Kickboxing Federation and its President Mr. Abdulkarim El Hilali who in solidarity accept the accommodation (hotel, meal and internal transport) cost for all athletes and coaches, officials and also WAKO president who was came to the event.

Thanks to Mr. Nassiri and Mr. Driss El Hilali who worked during 5 weeks without stop

to prepared all necessary for the competition including all logistic materials.

Once more, time the Solidarity and Sport for all Committee achieved another success.



Solidarity activities with Asian national Federation and Athletes in civil war

March 2017, in solidarity with Syrian National Kickboxing federation and Syrian athletes, Mr. Nassiri travelled to Syria taking huge personal risk and met with Syrian Sport Leaders Ministry of Sport and President of Syrian Olympic Committee and President of Syrian Arab Kickboxing federation.

Discussion for organization of international sports tournament lead by Kickboxing. The presence of various political/sport leaders and international news agencies. At the same took place under supervision of President of WAKO ASIA the technical evaluation of athletes who shall take part in April 2017 Asian Championships and 2017 Ashgabat Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games.



Solidarity and Sport All in high level

During April 2017, Asian Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO ASIA) organized one of the most prestigious events in WAKO history under Asian Kickboxing Championships. As during September 2016 only 12 categories in K1 styles were held in Korea, WAKO ASIA completed its 2016/2017 championships by organizing remaining categories of K1 styles and all categories in all styles such as Full Contact, Low Kick, Point Fighting, Light Contact, Kick Light and Musical Form.



For this special event which were used as test event of 2017 Ashgabat Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games Kickboxing was chosen together with 2 Olympic Sport (Weight lifting and Swimming) which gave particular importance to Kickboxing and its development and importance in Asia.

At that occasion, 323 registered athletes from 15 nations from the 5 different zones of the Asian Continent (East, South East, South, Central and West Asia) in 76 events (categories) in 7 kickboxing styles with a total of 273 fights in both ring and tatami during 5 days competition.



Solidarity and Sport for All committee was at its maximum efforts. Mr. Nassiri the chairman of both WAKO and WAKO ASIA Solidarity and Sport for All arrange the continued his personal financial efforts to reduce the accommodation including the meals in 4 stars hotel for all athletes and referees/Judges for the very low price as 40\$. Of course the referees/Judges and official were not charged for anything and their fly tickets were also provided.



The visas for all participants were provided part of Solidarity and Sport of All Committee in order to all access to our high level competition to all members.

The free accommodations were provided for Nepal, Philippines, Thailand, Jordan and some other athletes and coaches.

Upon request and because of absence of funds according to the statement of Dr Basel that their athletes will not be able to come, 4 tickets were advance to Jordan (three athletes and one coaches), which as of today in unclear situation.

The ticket were provide for two Nepal athletes for the same situation but as of today despite the promises of their federation, is situation still pending.

During same time in April 2017, part of bilateral Collaboration Agreement, between Asian and African Kickboxing Confederations Mr. Emmanuel Essissima travel to Ashgabat assisting the supervisors of the events including the African referees/judges and officials which were invited.

Other WAKO official such as two official were invited to the championships and all cost including fly ticket, visa and accommodation were provided.

WAKO President Mr. Pelevic was invited and took part for two days in that event, his visa, internal transport and Accommodation was provided as well by personal funds of Mr. Nassiri.

The 2016/2017 Ashgabat Asian Championships marked the history of Kickboxing competition and the promotion video was shown in Euro news for four months every several times each day as the championships together with weightlifting and swimming championships were served as test event for 2017 Ashgabat Indoor & Martial Arts Games which held in September 2017.

On September 2017, and in the same framework of solidarity, and for encouraging the African officials, the Asian Confederation of kickboxing : Three officials of African confederation (one from Egypt , two others from Morocco) supervised by the President of WAKO African were invited to participate in the 5th Asian indoor and Martial Arts games held in Ashgabat / Turkmanistan on 2017 to assist their colleagues from Asia in this prestigious event considerate as Olympic games in Asia where only National Olympic Committee are allowed to enter the athletes in each participants sport.

This initiative aimed to help these African referees and officials to improve their experiences of refereeing at high-level competitions; indeed they have been able to prove their high value by officiating many of strong fights of this big tournament.



Solidarity put in place African Kickboxing Championships 2018

When many countries decline hosting the event, Mr. Essissima and Mr. El Hilali President and Vice President of African Confederation respectively with solidarity of WAKO Asia, organized the 2018 African Kickboxing Championship in Yaounde/Cameroon, and because of the weak financial capacity of the WAKO AFRICAN all relative cost (such as the transportation, food and accommodation for officials) were provided by personal funds of Mr. Essissima and completed by contribution of Mr. Driss El Hilali providing the medals, Nasser Nassiri was responsible for endowing this tournament with all the materials and safeties equipment provided partially by Mrs. Katarzyna Kociszewska who is also member of WAKO Solidarity and Sport of All Committee.



The safeties materials were provided and sent to France by Mrs. Katarzyna Kociszewska by her personal funds, were transported to Africa by Mr. Nassiri personal funds, and were offered to athletes after Competition.



Solidarity with Kickboxing Federation of Singapore

Early this year our committee, with collaboration of Asian Kickboxing Confederation solidarity put in place an action in Singapore by assisting in various stage the Kickboxing Federation of Singapore organising their athletes qualification from 22-24 March 2019 for Kickboxing competition of upcoming SEA Games 2019. At the same, the administration assistance in view of recognition by National Olympic committee was undertaking which ended in June 2019 to provisional recognition of Kickboxing Federation of Singapore by Singapore Olympic Committee and official participation in upcoming 30th South East Asian Games, Philippines 2019.

The Solidarity support has been provided after request of Mr. Jason Lim, the President of Kickboxing Federation of Singapore who officially declared: "Singapore thanks the President, the technical directors and officials of Asian Kickboxing Confederation including Malaysian Kickboxing Association President Mr Albert Lim and his staffs who came to Singapore for their invaluable support and looks forward to promoting the sport of Kickboxing to the highest level in the nation."

It is necessary to recall that one of the Singapore Olympic Committee conditions of recognition was the organization of such event.





Solidarity with Mauritanian Federation of Kickboxing

On 5th and 6th April 2019, and in order to promote the kickboxing in Mauritania and to help the Mauritanian Federation of Kickboxing to improve the refereeing level of its referees, and on the sidelines of the Mauritanian President's cup of Kickboxing organized by the Mauritanian Federation, Mr. Mostafa Elrhannam (International referee) from Morocco was appointed by Chairman of the Solidarity and Sport for All Committee to provide the training course for the benefit of Mauritanian referees.



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الكونفدرالية الإفريقية للكيك بوكسينغ
(WAKO AFRICA)

التدريب الدولي للحكام

نواكشوط / موريتانيا
الجمعة 05 أبريل 2019
إعداد وتقديم

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حكم دولي ، رئيس لجنة تحكيم الكونفدرالية الإفريقية للكيك بوكسينغ (رياضات البساط)
رئيس لجنة تحكيم اتحاد المغرب العربي للمواي طاي والكيك بوكسينغ





This two-day training course during which Mr. Elrhannam presented many courses concerning all Kickboxing sports during which many of these referees were selected to act as official during the competition programmed in this President's cup.

At the end of this tournament, the Mauritanian Minister of sports handed a certificate of appreciation to Mr. Elrhannam and send his appreciation and warmest regards to the Chairman and the members of the Asian, African and WAKO Solidarity and Sport for All Committee respectively for their no stop support to the Mauritanian Federation of kickboxing.

In addition to the above actions of the Solidarity and Sport for All Committee in many regions, there were also many contacts with the Malagasy Federation to rehabilitate Kickboxing in this African countries and to support the organization of a big tournament there, in particular since the last African African event which was held there in 2012, when the African championship was organized with a great success.

Similar contacts are also being made with several African sport and social associations in order to organize training for coaches and referees in these countries, which suffer from a lack of financial means to develop kickboxing sports.

Participation as Special Guest at the Summit (CIS), Solidarity Program

With coordination of Asian Kickboxing Confederation Solidarity and Sport for All committee, Nasser Nassiri, President of Asian Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO ASIA) and Vice President of the World Kickboxing Organization (WAKO), participated as a special guest at the Regional Forum for the CIS, the Baltic States and Georgia 2019.

The Forum was hosted and held from 1st to 4 September 2019 in Issyk-Kul (Kyrgyzstan) by the Kyrgyz Olympic Committee with the support of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) solidarity.

The objective of the Forum was to exchange experiences, information on recent NOC policies, and best practices in the Region. The Regional forum attended by the leaders of the NOC of 15 countries including the President of Olympic Committee of Russia Mr. Stanislav Pozdnyakov.



The discussions of the leaders of the National Olympic Committees addressed the areas of common interest assessment of a number of issues related to the development of Olympic movement in countries and summer Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.



During the period of the Forum, the leaders participated in various social and Sport for All activities and visited the National Sports Complex and Athletics Training Camp.

The separate report of submit is available on the request.

2019-09-27 Kickboxing Day in Asia 9 September

On 27 September 2019, Asian Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO ASIA) announced one of the historical decision of its Board of Directors. Following proposal of Mr Nasser Nassiri, the Board of Directors decided to fix the day of 9 September as the day of Kickboxing in Asian Continent.

In fact, on 9 September 2005, the Kickboxing Sport was recognized by Olympic Council of Asia (OCA) during its 24th OCA General Assembly held in Guangzhou. After significant efforts of the President Nassiri our application of recognition with OCA and inclusion of Kickboxing sport in Asian Indoor Games starting with Macau 2nd Asian Indoor Games in October 2007 were granted on May 28, 2007 during the 50th OCA Executive Board meeting.

Olympic Council of Asia had granted the recognition to Asian Kickboxing Confederation (WAKO ASIA) as body in charge of Kickboxing sport in Asia and since Kickboxing Sport is include as official sport in Prestigious Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games and in SEA Games.

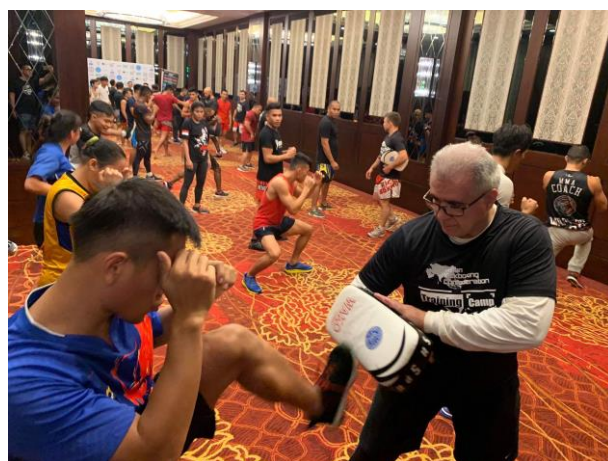
From next year, the Solidarity and Sport for All Committee will prepare a specific program for 9 September of each year such as social and demonstration programs and introduction of our sport with our members in Asia.

Chinese Taipei Kickboxing Association & Solidarity Program

Initiate by Asian Kickboxing Confederation Solidarity and Sport for All committee and with collaboration of Chinese Taipei Kickboxing Association President Mr. Daniel Obon, an international regional Technical and Referee seminar was organized from 24 to 30 September 2019 in Taipei.



The aim of Solidarity action was to assist the South East Asian countries and to share with their members the benefit of short week seminar in view of the preparation of their athletes for upcoming 30th SEA Games Philippines 2019.



The Asian Kickboxing Confederation Solidarity and Sport for All committee organized the seminar by invitation 3 international coaches from Kyrgyzstan, Mr Jeong the Technical Director of Asian Confederation and Technical Delegate of Kickboxing competition of 30th SEA Games Philippines 2019.

Our President Mr. Nassiri personally conducted the 5 full days seminar during which the participants from Philippines, Indonesia, Singapore, Malaysia, Korea, India, Chinese Taipei could take home the benefit and the experience.

The seminar just few weeks before the prestigious SEA Games competition was well appreciated by the participants countries sport authorities because of its important technical benefit of their athletes.

The Solidarity and Sport for All Committee continue its efforts and plan to organize in 2020 the join meeting with the Solidarity and Sport of All committees of all continental confederations in order to put together the common program for upcoming years.

Solidarity and Sport for All Committee priority program for 2020

We have noticed that during our official events, World or continental or official events, some of our athletes are suffering of the miss knowledge and wrong conduct of their coaches most of the times due to barrier language.

Some national members because of the lack of budget, they sent the athletes in the competition without the coaches or not enough coaches are present for some of national federation member's countries.

After various discussions and the program was approved during last Asian Kickboxing Confederation Board of Directors meeting. Mr. Nassiri as the Chairman of Solidarity & Sport of All committee will present latest before end of first quarter 2020, the program and related budget for putting in place the Solidarity Team presence during the official World, Asian and official event. The program inclusion in World Championships is subject to approval of WAKO Board of Directors.

The Solidarity Team wear special uniform in order to be identify easier. At the request of athletes and or coaches, they get involved and will assist the coaches and athletes in theirs task accompanied them during preparation before fight and if necessary during the fight in order to bring to athletes some assurance and security.

The first project implementation is under study by Asian Kickboxing Confederation organization committee for an immediate use before end of the year.

The detail report together with above mentioned program and related budget will be forward to interesting parties at their request.

I would like to thank all members of Solidarity & Sport for All committee of WAKO, WAKO ASIA, WAKO Africa and their members in particular for their idea and contribution.

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