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## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

**Gelsenkirchen – Germany, October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> 2015.** During German Open in Gelsenkirchen, Germany, JJEU Board and Commissioners have meetings in preparation for future activities (President Dario Quenza, Treasurer Michael Korn, Commissioners Tom Kempkens, Ronald Bartens, Rick Frowyn and General Secretary Robert Perc).

The draft of 2016 Calendar has been on the table, previously already discussed with JJIF to harmonize joint activities in Europe. Major events in Europe, including major JJIF events, were identified.

After the 2015 JJIF Convention there is a lot of works ahead JJEU to prepare their documents to JJIF changes.

Among others following important items were on the agenda:

- a. In the year 2016 JJEU will organise European Championship for Aspirants (U18) as World Championship for Juniors (U21) will be in Spain in March. In 2016 EC U18 will be organised in Germany in the weekend when German Open will also take place. For 2017 and beyond JJEU General Assembly will decide which part of the year is most suitable for the EC for U18 (or 21). In principle U18 and U21 will exchange every second year in respect to JJIF WC. JJEU Board indicated that bigger sport hall should be prepared for EC U18. Information was given that German JJ Federation is already working on that.
- b. JJEU will build a system (beyond ECC at the moment) of Europe's Ranking List to rank and collect results of JJEU major events (in order to recognize best athletes in previous year, have official database of the results etc.
- c. In February 2016 winter camp will take place in Bulgaria; prices and programme will be published in following weeks.
- d. Harmonization and updating processes of JJEU Statutes and by-laws is on the way. JJEU Board and Commissioners has agreed on the draft updates of the Statutes on the table.
- e. In Spain, during World Championship Juniors (U21), extraordinary JJEU General Assembly will take place with agenda related to Statutes and by-laws updates (with objective to prepare updated legislative for 2016 JJEU General Elections in Gent, Belgium. In 2016 new JJEU Board will be elected and members invited to propose candidate for committees/commissioners appointed by the Board.
- f. A decision was reached to prepare more projective aimed activities (and budget) in following years (mostly 2017 and beyond), focusing on: cooperation other

unions, joint events – seminars, competitions, more media and marketing visibility. Details will follow.

- g. New sponsorship concepts are developing under JJEU Treasurer Mr Michael Korn and meeting with sponsor and the Board also took place. Following that Ju-jitsu Shop has been already opened and will develop constantly.
- h. Mr Rick Frowijn from the Netherlands will prepare a social media concept for JJEU (upgrading website, Facebook, Twitter) to start in 2015;
- i. Mr Ronald Bartens indicated the problems of results history as organisers of the events are not strict enough on this matter. For future events JJEU will be strict in having e-version and paper version of the results on time with a report of the event.
- j. In the Sunday follow up meeting within the Board only took place. Projects for the future were discussed and agenda prepared for board activity to the end of 2015 and beginning of 2016.
- k. Nevertheless JJEU is working reasonable transparent additional energy should be invested in circulation news and information among members. This report is part of this initiative.

General Secretary Mr Robert Perc reported on the **questionnaires' feedback** – as Board wishes to do more to promote ju-jitsu and build sponsorship concept more data is requested in order to prepare presentation materials. Up to the Board meeting only 10 countries out of 35 members have returned documents. Board has decided to give another call to members for required data – Board is evaluating possibility of JJIF Statutes measures about inactive members!

Countries who returned questionnaires' are: France, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland! **TO JJEU MEMBERS: please send us your data as soon as possible.**

As there are many martial arts out there JJEU will also do more on the visibility and recognition of JJIF ju-jitsu among others. **A call for members: please send us documents, especially photos of the activities before year 1995...** We need to record our history and progress through decades (very important for future development).

At the end Board has thanked German Ju-jitsu Federation (DJJV) and its President Mr Roland Köhler for kind hospitality and good organisation of the events in Gelsenkirchen.

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