

JJEU REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

(Summary for the JJEU General Assembly in Bucharest, May 30, 2019)

Sport Events

European Cup in disciplines and European Championship (Aspirant/Juniors and Adults) are getting bigger and more organised. SportData official software is implemented as part of the overall JJIF requirements but also as part of building JJEU Ranking List.

Change of location of the JJEU European Championship Aspirants and Juniors 2019

Calendar for 2019 will have a change in the organiser of the EC Aspirants/Juniors. Russian Federation was chosen as an organiser of the event in October 2019 in St. Petersburg. Due to some difficulties in budget the federation announced they cannot cope with the event. The Board then started separate talks with possible organisers among big events experienced federations. Officially, the Greek Federation accepted the challenge and will organise the event. Details will follow in next days.

Change of location of the JJEU European Championship Adults 2020

Jiu-Jitsu Federation of Austria informed they are not able to organise the event in 2020 due to budget restriction received from the city. However, the JJIF has informed about possibility to organise the event in Israel. The project is running. A MOU has been signed in April 2019 so we will deliver more news at the GA.

ETM 1 and ETM 2

In January second Expert Technical Meeting took place, this time in Sweden. Event was focused on coach and referee training and education, particularly in regard to assistance with a video. More need was identified for training with the system and to set rules of the use of the system as know are built step by step. Overall it has been identified as it could be a good support to referees. Joint training events will be organised in the future, with a desire of more inputs of the athletes -coaches- referees.

Part of the final results of the ETM 2 were presented to the JJIF Board in April 2019. Majority of items discussed shall be implemented into rules and regulations. More information shall come from the JJIF or shall be provided at the JJEU GA.

EU Sport Congress

The JJEU President was invited the EU Sport Sport Forum. In the framework of the permanent dialogue between the European Union and the sport movement, the European Commission organised the next EU Sport Forum on 8-9 April 2019 in Bucharest. This event has become a central meeting for the European and international sport family. Once a year it is a unique opportunity for sport organisations to discuss and exchange views with policy makers and representatives of the EU institutions and Member States. More than 400 participants are expected, mostly representatives of sport movement (federations, sport clubs, athletes and other sport organisations) as well as Member States, local authorities and academics, including partners of the European Week of Sport. The discussion will focus on main EU priorities in the area of sport, namely the role of sport federations, promotion of healthy lifestyles, funding of grassroots sport and governance of professional sport.

EUSA meeting

During EU Sport Forum in Bucharest separate meetings took place with EUSA (European University Sport Association) President and General Secretary with aim to increase cooperation and inclusion of ju-jitsu into EUSA activities and events. In July EUSA Combat Games are organised in Zagreb where judo, karate, tae-kwon-do and kick-boxing are presenting. A meeting in announced at that time to discuss future cooperation on European level.

EOC meeting and visit to Minsk EOC Games

During EU Sport Forum in Bucharest separate meetings took place with the European Olympic Committee President (EOC). As representatives of the JJEU are invited to European Games in Minsk in June 2019, discussion focused on preparation of presentations and meeting agenda, as well as possible participation of ju-jitsu et EOC Games. Until know all options are opened so it is not identified which discipline, how many categories etc. can be included into next edition of EOC Games. That will be part of the talks.

At the moment Board is preparing video materials and documents for presentations.

European Fair Play Movement

Ju-Jitsu with Tolerance and Fair Play

Paris, France, 27.4.2019. European Fair Play Movement (EFPM) and Ju-Jitsu European Union (JJEU) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) during special ceremony at Paris Open Grand Slam ju-jitsu tournament. With MOU, EFPM and JJEU declared a joint venture in matters of sports, tolerance and Fair Play.

The EFPM is a non-governmental association joined by the National Fair Play Organization of the majority of the European countries. It`s main aim is the promotion of the ethical values of sports in the broadest sense, in sport activities and in daily life at European level.

JJEU has been promoting Fair Play for many years, especially with promotion of Fair Play Trophy awards at biggest European tournaments, including championships and events. In the history of Fair Play Trophies awardees were not only athletes but also officials and team doctors. In 2019, for the first time, an annual "Christian Blareau Fair Play Award" for excellence in ethics and Fair Play was awarded for year 2018.

As Mr Christian Hinterberger, EFPM President, and Mr Robert Perc, JJEU President, stated later, signed MOU is an end of a preparation process and, as such, a promise for future development and contribution to fair play movement.

Christian Blareau Fair Play Award for 2018

Paris, France, 27.4.2019. Lukas Bombik from Germany, athlete in Fighting System. He received a Fair Play Award at European Championship 2018, on June 3 2018 as a member of a Germany Team. At a Team competition at EC, the opponent Duez Wout from Belgium was injured during the fight and surrender a fight. Lukas was not blamed for the injury. After medical intervention Lukas helped and assist athlete, in need for assistance because of the injury, off the mat and even stayed a bit longer with him, showing compassion and interest of his wellbeing beyond expectations. Additionally, other

observations from referees came to Board members present about his overall sportsmanlike conduct during event.

The JJEU Board has hereby the privilege and honour to award Christian Blareau Fair Play Award for excellence in Fair Play and Ethics in year 2018 to Lukas Bombik from Germany.

Fair Play Trophy Paris Grand Slam 2019

Paris, France, 28.4.2019. Bjarne LARDON from Belgium received an event Fair Play Trophy at Paris Open Grand Slam. In fighting category men 62 kg he had a fight with Timon KAEPPPEL from Germany. In an extremely fast and intensive match after many points athlete Timon KAEPPPEL from Germany was announced as winner. Later, after few minutes, both athletes came to a mat referee explaining that they notice a mistake in official announcements of the category. It has been identified that a technical mistake occur in the computer inputs of the match and wrong athlete was announced as a winner.

The fact that Bjarne LARDON has been actively and willingly involved to correct the mistake and unjust situation, not caused by him, even for the price that he lost the match, shows a deep understanding of ethics and fair play, with the best tradition of Budo.

SportData Implementation

JJEU has started to implement SportData software on all “official” tournaments, including European Cups in Fighting, Duo and Ne-waza. Some minor problems occurred from time to time due to specifics of the events but we are happy that program is working better and better and the company is very responsive to suggestions and improvements to make it more “user friendly”. It is a good asset to the organisers of the events and participating athletes and coaches.

Proposals on Conflict of Interest Policy

The purpose of this policy is to describe how members of JJEU will conduct themselves in matters relating to conflicts of interest, and to clarify how JJEU will make decisions in situations where conflicts of interest may exist.

Defines what actions, business and transactions shall be avoided in a decision-making process and offers tools, how to resolve conflict in a decision-making process.

Social media

JJEU Activities have been regular posted on the JJEU website, Facebook and Twitter. In promotion and media coverage the JJIF play a huge role with assistance to other multisport and international sport organisation platforms.