

October 14<sup>th</sup> 2021

Dear ITKF Regular Full Member Organizations,

**Call for Urgent Extraordinary General Meeting**

The ITKF Chairman, in accordance with the decision of Directors Meeting 009/2021, and in full compliance with Article 5.1 and 5.4 of the ITKF Constitution, calls:

1. ITKF Officials (Article 4.1);
2. Two representatives from each ITKF Member Organization;

For the 2021 2<sup>nd</sup> ITKF Urgent Extraordinary General Meeting, that will take place next October 22<sup>th</sup> 2021.

**Presencial Meeting: Pavilhão de Desportos da Vila do Conde**

Rua do Sancho I 3 4480-876 Vila do Conde - **Portugal**

**Virtual Meeting: using the following ZOOM platform:**

ITKF Zoom Meeting

Time: Oct 22, 2021 6am Sao Paulo

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89633425630?pwd=RytDNjh4YUdYSnYwbTJuU3FhL3d1QT09>

Meeting ID: 896 3342 5630

Passcode: 689963

**Date: Friday, October 22<sup>th</sup> 2021**

**Time: 5am US & Canada Eastern Time, 6am Brazil, 10am Eastern Europe, 11am Central Europe & Cairo.**

**Order of Business:**

1. Roll Call;
2. Greetings by the Chairman;
3. Selection of Official Recorder;
4. Agenda;
5. Adjournment by the Chairman.

**AGENDA:**

1. Approval of the creation of Traditional Karate University – TKU as established by Article 2.1.9 of ITKF Constitution.
2. Presentation by the ITKF Chairman of the ITKF Technical Qualification Guide – TQG approved by the ITKF Technical Committee and endorsed by Directors Meeting 010/2021.
3. Approval for the location of 2022 World Karate Championship at Europa Region.
4. Approval of the following amendments to ITKF Constitution:
  - a) The Administrative Office and International Office will have its HQ at the same country of the ITKF Chairman during its mandate. This is mandatory to open a bank account and operate the organization properly, avoiding unnecessary double costs such as: rental of an expensive office in US, hiring an American CPA, hiring a CPA on Administrative Office, opening a bank account in US, opening a bank account on Administrative Office, paying double taxes: Administrative Office Country and International Office at USA. Language for registration will follow the official language of the country where the Office is to be established. Joining both offices will allow for one bank account, one CPA, taxes in only one country (same as Chairman), protection of trademark and website among many others.
  - b) Organization (Article 3) and Membership (Article 10) were reorganized as there were mixed concepts on both. No new

- MEMBER is created; no voting rights altered; just rearranged for better comprehension.
- c) 4.2. The term “SOLE” was removed as this was possible back in 1990 when Traditional Karate had only one organization - ITKF. Today some countries have more than one organization claiming to be a Traditional Karate body. Without “SOLE” it became: “Member Organization is a governing body of Traditional Karate in their respective country.”
  - d) Chairman may be reelected was included, as this has been in uses and costumes of the institution. The election original method was fully maintained: Chairman shall be elected indirectly by ITKF Directors Meeting, but chosen among and by the Board of Directors. The Directors Meeting during the Chairman election is composed only by the Board of Directors. Election of the General Secretary, Treasurer, Director General and Comptrollers will follow the Chairman’s election, some of them, his direct indication. So, it is the number of votes during the Directors Meeting for Chairman’s election that is reduced to the Board of Directors only.
  - e) Removal of Eligibility Committee as the function is same as Membership Committee. Financial Report and Audit Report (Articles 9.5 and 9.6) were reorganized to avoid double actions.
  - f) Article 14 – Disciplinary Action was mixing Official unworthy conduct with athlete’s behavior during competition. The action on competition is the duty of the Tournament Organizing Committee. So Article 14 was directed only to disciplinary action on Officials and Member Organizations and a right to APPEAL included.
  - g) Maintain the PRESIDENT of ITKF on Article 4.3.1. as a Honorary Official without power to vote removing the combination of President and Chairman Offices that was long foreseen but never applied.
  - h) The validity of ELECTRONIC VOTE on Article 5.3.

It is important to note the following ITKF Constitution directives to be complied at the General Meeting:

Article 5.8 **Voting**

During the General Meeting each ITKF Full Member has one vote.

ITKF Officials have no voting rights.

Article 11.2 **Unpaid Dues**

ITKF Full Member not having paid their current dues as required shall not be permitted to be present in any General Meeting or other meetings or functions of ITKF.

We thank in advance for the presence of all ITKF Member Organizations and Officials in this extraordinary effort to continue with the reconstruction of the ITKF.

The tradition continues!



Prof. Dr. Gilberto Gaertner

ITKF Chairman