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CHAIRMAN COMMUNICATION 027/2023

Dear ITKF Member Organizations,

We hope everyone is doing well with your families.

For everyone's knowledge follow deliberations of the technical committee and the committee of directors.

1. Brand Registration

We finalized the registration of the updated ITKF logo (2023-2033) and registered the Traditional Karate University - TKU (2023-2033) brand.



2. Green Belt Project

This project is being developed by Sensei Buzzi and aims to align ITKF with the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). It also aims to engage our organization in the process of environmental awareness and sustainability.

We ask everyone to start implementing these ideas in their events.

<https://itkf.global/news/itkf-innovates-once-again-by-launching-the-green-belt-project/>

3. Decisions by Technical Committee (TC) - TQG updates

- a. Responding to requests, the TC made adjustments to the **Coach** configuration. As there was no classification, levels **A, B, C, D and E** were created. In this way, countries that have few graduated instructors can now participate with instructors from 1st Dan (Shodan).
- b. The role of **Examiner** is one of the most important and there was no specific assessment. The TC implemented a **theoretical exam** and a **practical exam with presentation of kata**.
- c. Responding to requests from many countries, the **TC reduced the issue of Shodan Certificates from 16 to 14 years**.

The Tradition Continues!!!



Gilberto Gaertner

ITKF Chairman