

Closer co-operation between IOC and World Games

Twenty years after the foundation of the International World Games Association (IWGA), 1980 in Seoul (KOR), the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the IWGA signed on 27th October 2000 in Monte-Carlo a memorandum of understanding between the two organisations for further co-operation.

The agreement was signed by IOC President Juan Antonio Samaranch and IWGA President Ron Froehlich. The ceremony was attended by Dr Un Yong Kim, the IWGA Founder President and currently IOC Executive Board Member; Dr Jacques Rogge, the IOC Observer to the IWGA Executive Committee and also currently IOC Executive Board Member as well as Gilbert Felli, the IOC Sports Director.

Organising Committees of World Games events will be granted IOC patronage and will be provided with technical assistance through the transfer of the IOC knowledge program.

The IOC will also encourage the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) to support and assist their national multi-sport delegations taking part in the World Games. The IWGA is willing to review and further develop the sports program of the World Games with the help and the input of the IOC. Furthermore, the IWGA shall continue to develop a close working relationship with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) while the IOC agreed to grant funding to the Organising Committee of a World Games event for anti doping control.



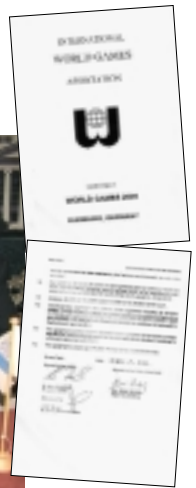
World Games 2005 in Duisburg, Germany

The city of Duisburg, together with nearby Oberhausen, Mülheim on the Ruhr and Bottrop, located in the German federal state North Rhine Westphalia, will host the World Games in 2005 from 14 until 24 July.

The signing of the contract took place in Monte-Carlo. On behalf of the IWGA President Ron Froehlich and Secretary General Co Koren put their signature on the document and on behalf of the city of Duisburg Mayor Mrs Bärbel Zieling did the same.

One of the items mentioned in the agreement concerns the media coverage of the World Games event. With their bid, the city of Duisburg included a letter of intent from the West German Broadcasting (WDR) to act as the Host Broadcaster in 2005. A formal contract for this purpose should be concluded by 1st October 2002.

The total number of participating athletes and officials to be provided with free accommodation had been raised from 2.500 to 3.000 while the participants will be present at the Opening or at the Closing Ceremony of the World Games 2005.



From the President



The Olympic Games in Sydney were the best games ever (I can confirm from personal experience).

During the annual GAISF meeting in Monte-Carlo last October the IWGA had very successful meetings. Two agreements were signed. The first one with the Mayoress of the German city of Duisburg for hosting the World Games 2005. The second with President Samaranch for a closer working relationship between the IOC and the IWGA.

In addition to these remarkable actions, there was our annual general meeting, this time with delegates of all the affiliated Member Federations present. Of course, a

lot of attention was paid to the World Games 2001 in Akita (JPN) next August with the Governor of the Akita Prefecture Sukishero Terata and the Chairman of the Prefectural Assembly Masyoshi Anzue addressing the meeting. Other speakers were the Honourable Founder President of our association, Dr Un-Yong Kim; the Mayoress of Duisburg Mrs Bärbel Zieling; the IOC observer of our Executive Committee Dr Jacques Rogge; the IOC Sports Director Gilbert Felli; the WADA Secretary General Harri Syväselomi and the past President of the organisation of Sports Chiropractics.

Furthermore, the meeting agreed to welcome the International Hockey Federation (FIH) as 31st Member Federation for their discipline of Indoor Hockey.

However, I am sure that all present at the meeting will agree that the short speech the IWGA Honourable Member Herman Valken made was most impressive. As he had been present at the formal foundation of the World Games in 1980 in Seoul, he stated that for those then involved, the news of the agreement with the IOC was as a dream comes true. In

Herman Valken's view the first 20 years of the existence of the IWGA were coming to a successful close while at the same time there was a promising signal to a new start. I was most grateful for his remarks made to me personally. However, as always, it is the team of the IWGA Executives and our Press Officer Trukie Albarda that makes all happen. The constant involvement of all concerned is of enormous support to me.

I would like to mention the statement by the key speaker of the GAISF Congress at the end of his speech. David Miller, British sports writer and author of the only authorised biography of IOC President Samaranch, spoke about the fact that one of the problems for the Summer Olympic Games is the necessary reduction of numbers (of competitions, events, and media). He then suggested that "one of the solutions would be to shift some events to the admirable World Games" and called the event "a valuable over-spill field for the fulfilment of ambitions for men and women". On behalf of the whole World Games family, I sincerely thank Mr Miller for his promotional action! A similar message was given to the press later in Lausanne by Mr Andrés Botero of Water Ski.

In the coming months we all will be very busy with the final preparations for the 6th World Games. Early January I paid another visit to Akita and had very good talks with the organisers. Mid February there will be another meeting of the Co-ordination Committee in conjunction with discussions with the two members of the IWGA Medical Committee, Dr Pierre Dernier and Dr Karl Heinz Kerll. Soon afterwards all IWGA Member Federations participating in the World Games will be provided with information regarding the various details of the doping control during the event.

I finish my introduction by urging all athletes and officials to come to Akita in August to make their travel arrangements as soon as possible. The Japan Travel Bureau (JBT) is the appointed travel agency of the Akita Organising Committee who is ready to assist you all.

Ron Froehlich, President

Nation-wide representation World Games 2001

Nearly 80 nations will most probably be represented during the World Games 2001.

The 22 International Sports Federations involved in the competition program and the other two in the demonstration program have, provisionally or not, selected the athletes and/or the nations eligible to participate in the World Games 2001. The qualifying procedure is the prerogative of each federation.

The final list with the names of all the athletes will be known at least eight weeks prior to the start of the World Games, e.g. 21st June.

The list with nations to be most likely participating in the various sports, reads as follows.

Argentina	Fistball, Powerlifting, Roller Hockey, Speed Roller Skating W, Sports Aerobics, Water Ski M	Finland	Billiards Snooker, BodyBuilding W, Bowling, Casting, Field Archery W, Finswimming M, Flying Disc Ultimate, Orienteering, Powerlifting W, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Rugby 7-side	North Korea	Rhythmic Gymnastics
Australia	Billiards Pool, Billiards Snooker, Casting, DanceSport, Field Archery M, Karate, Korfball, Lifesaving, Orienteering, Parachuting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Rugby 7-side, Sports Acrobatics, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Tumbling W, Water Ski	France	Boule Lyonnaise, Bowling, Field Archery, Finswimming M, Ju-Jitsu, Karate, Orienteering, Parachuting, Pétanque M, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Roller Hockey, Rugby 7-side, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline M, Tumbling	Northern Ireland	Billiards Snooker, Tug of War M
Austria	DanceSport, Field Archery, Finswimming W, Fistball, Ju-Jitsu, Orienteering, Powerlifting, Water Ski	Georgia	Rhythmic Gymnastics, Tumbling M, Water Ski	Norway	Bowling, Casting, DanceSport, Field Archery M, Orienteering, Parachuting, Powerlifting, Water Ski W
Bahamas	BodyBuilding	Germany	BeachHandball W (D), Billiards Carom, BodyBuilding, Bowling, Casting, DanceSport, Field Archery, Finswimming, Fistball, Flying Disc Ultimate, Ju-Jitsu, Karate, Lifesaving, Orienteering, Parachuting M, Powerlifting W, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Speed Roller Skating M, Sports Acrobatics, Sports Aerobics W, Trampoline, Water Ski	Peru	Billiards Carom, Karate
Belarus	BeachHandball M (D), DanceSport, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Sports Acrobatics, Trampoline, Tumbling W, Water Ski	Great Britain	Field Archery, Flying Disc Golf, Ji-Jitsu M, Korfball, Orienteering, Parachuting, Sports Acrobatics, Trampoline, Tumbling, Water Ski	Philippines	Bowling, DanceSport
Belgium	Billiards Carom, Belgium Snooker, Field Archery M, Ju-Jitsu, Korfball, Lifesaving, Pétanque, Powerlifting, Speed Roller Skating, Sports Acrobatics, Trampoline, Water Ski BeachHandball M/W (D), BodyBuilding M, Fistball, Ju-Jitsu M, Roller Hockey, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline, Tumbling W	Greece	BodyBuilding M, Finswimming, Karate, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Water Ski	Poland	BodyBuilding, Casting, DanceSport, Finswimming M, Ju-Jitsu M, Orienteering, Parachuting W, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Sports Acrobatics, Trampoline W, Tumbling M
Brazil	BeachHandball M/W (D), BodyBuilding M, Fistball, Ju-Jitsu M, Roller Hockey, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline, Tumbling W	Guam	BodyBuilding M, Bowling	Portugal	Korfball, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Roller Hockey, Sports Acrobatics, Trampoline, Tumbling
Bulgaria	Rhythmic Gymnastics, Sports Acrobatics, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline	Guatemala	Bowling	Puerto Rico	Bowling
Canada	Billiards Pool, Bowling, Casting, DanceSport, Flying Disc Golf, Flying Disc Ultimate, Pétanque W, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Rugby 7-side, Trampoline, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Tumbling W, Water Ski	Hong Kong	Billiards Snooker, Bowling, DanceSport, Field Archery	Romania	Rhythmic Gymnastics, Sports Aerobics
Chile	Speed Roller Skating, Sports Aerobics, Water Ski M	Hungary	Field Archery M, Finswimming, Orienteering, Rhythmic Gymnastics Sports Aerobics M	Russia	DanceSport, Finswimming, Orienteering, Parachuting, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Sports Acrobatics, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline, Tumbling, Water Ski
China	BeachHandball W (D), Billiards Snooker, Boule Lyonnaise W, DanceSport, Finswimming, Parachuting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Sports Acrobatics	Iceland	BodyBuilding M, Powerlifting	Scotland	Billiards Snooker, Tug of War M
Chinese Taipei	Billiards Pool, Bowling, DanceSport, Karate, Korfball, Powerlifting, Speed Roller Skating, Tug of War Indoor W (D)	India	BodyBuilding M, Powerlifting	Senegal	Karate
Colombia	Billiards Carom, Bowling, Finswimming M, Speed Roller Skating, Water Ski	Indonesia	Karate	Singapore	BodyBuilding, Bowling, DanceSport, Water Ski M
Costa Rica	Bowling	Iran	BeachHandball M (D), Karate	Slovakia	BodyBuilding, DanceSport, Finswimming M, Orienteering, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Trampoline W, Water Ski M
Croatia	Boule Lyonnaise, Karate	Ireland	Billiards Snooker, Tug of War M	Slovenia	Boule Lyonnaise, DanceSport, Field Archery, Ju-Jitsu M, Parachuting, Casting, DanceSport, Lifesaving, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Trampoline W, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Tumbling, Water Ski
Czech Republic	DanceSport, Finswimming, Orienteering, Powerlifting, Trampoline W, Water Ski M	Israel	Parachuting M, Rhythmic Gymnastics	South Africa	Casting, DanceSport, Lifesaving, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Trampoline W, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Tumbling, Water Ski
Denmark	DanceSport, Finswimming, Ju-Jitsu, Orienteering, Parachuting M, Pétanque W, Trampoline M, Tumbling M, Water Ski W	Italy	Boule Lyonnaise, DanceSport, Field Archery, Finswimming, Ju-Jitsu, Karate, Lifesaving, Pétanque M, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Roller Hockey, Speed Roller Skating, Sports Aerobics W, Water Ski	South Korea	Billiards Carom, Billiards Pool, BodyBuilding, Bowling, Field Archery, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Rugby 7-side, Sports Aerobics, Water Ski M
El Salvador	Bowling	Japan	BeachHandball M/W (D), Billiards Carom, Billiards Pool, Billiards Snooker, BodyBuilding, Boule Lyonnaise W, Bowling, Casting, DanceSport, Field Archery, Finswimming, Fistball, Flying Disc Golf, Flying Disc Ultimate, Ju-Jitsu M, Karate, Lifesaving, Orienteering, Parachuting, Pétanque, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Roller Hockey, Rugby 7-side, Speed Roller Skating, Sports Acrobatics, Sports Aerobics, Trampoline, Tug of War M, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Tumbling M, Water Ski	Spain	BeachHandball M (D), Billiards Carom, Ju-Jitsu W, Karate, Lifesaving, Pétanque, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Speed Roller Skating, Sports Aerobics, Tug of War M, Tug of War Indoor W (D)
England	Billiards Snooker, Bowling, DanceSport, Tug of War M	Kazakhstan	Powerlifting, Sports Acrobatics, Tumbling	Sri Lanka	Field Archery M
Egypt	Billiards Carom, Billiards Snooker, BodyBuilding M	Latvia	DanceSport	Sweden	Bowling, Casting, Field Archery, Flying Disc Golf, Flying Disc Ultimate, Ju-Jitsu, Orienteering, Powerlifting, Trampoline M, Tug of War, Water Ski
Estonia	Finswimming W, Orienteering	Lithuania	BodyBuilding M, DanceSport, Orienteering, Sports Acrobatics	Switzerland	BodyBuilding M, Field Archery, Fistball, Orienteering, Parachuting W, Speed Roller Skating M, Tug of War M, Water Ski M
Fiji	Rugby 7-side	Madagascar	Pétanque W	Thailand	Billiards Snooker, DanceSport
		Malaysia	BodyBuilding M, Bowling, DanceSport, Karate	Togo	BeachHandball M/W (D)
		Malta	Billiards Snooker	Tunisia	Boule Lyonnaise M, Pétanque M
		Mexico	Billiards Carom, Water Ski M	Turkey	Billiards Carom, BodyBuilding, Karate
		Moldova	Trampoline M	Ukraine	BeachHandball W (D), BodyBuilding M, DanceSport, Orienteering, Parachuting W, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Trampoline, Tumbling
		Netherlands	Billiards Carom, Billiards Snooker, Bowling, DanceSport, Field Archery, Finswimming W, Ju-Jitsu, Karate, Korfball, Lifesaving, Tug of War M, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Water Ski	United Arab Emirates	Water Ski W
		New Caledonia	Karate	United States	Billiards Carom, Billiards Pool, BodyBuilding, Bowling, Casting, DanceSport, Field Archery, Flying Disc Golf, Flying Disc Ultimate, Parachuting, Powerlifting, Rhythmic Gymnastics, Speed Roller Skating, Sports Acrobatics, Trampoline, Tug of War Indoor W (D), Tumbling, Water Ski
		New Zealand	Billiards Pool, Billiards Snooker, DanceSport, Field Archery, Flying Disc Golf, Karate, Lifesaving, Powerlifting, Speed Roller Skating M, Trampoline, Water Ski	Uruguay	Ju-Jitsu M
				Venezuela	Bowling, Powerlifting, Speed Roller Skating M
				Vietnam	BodyBuilding
				Wales	Billiards Snooker, Bowling
				Yugoslavia	Boule Lyonnaise M

Program World Games 2001

The program for the World Games 2001 had been amended with a change of dates for Roller Hockey and for Artistic Roller Skating. The current program reads as follows.

Venue	Thu 16/08	Fri 17/08	Sat 18/08	Sun 19/08	Mon 20/08	Tue 21/08	Wed 22/08	Thu 23/08	Fri 24/08	Sat 25/08	Sun 26/08
Akita City											
Prof. Gymnasium			Aikido (D)	Ju-Jitsu	Ju-Jitsu						
Prof. Skating Rink		Roller Hockey	Roller Hockey	Roller Hockey	Roller Hockey		Artistic Roller Skating	Artistic Roller Skating	Speed Roller Skating	Speed Roller Skating	Speed Roller Skating
Prof. Swimming Pool									Fin Swimming/ Lifesaving	Fin Swimming/ Lifesaving	
Mun. Gymnasium		Sports Aerobics	Sports Aerobics	Sports Acrobatics/ Trampoline/ Tumbling	Sports Acrobatics/ Trampoline/ Tumbling	Sports Acrobatics/ Trampoline/ Tumbling	Rhythmic Gymnastics	Rhythmic Gymnastics		DanceSport	DanceSport
Yabase Stadium	Opening Ceremony		Fistball	Fistball	Fistball					Rugby 7-a-side	Rugby 7-a-side
Mun. Cultural Hall			BodyBuilding	BodyBuilding	Powerlifting	Powerlifting					
Ijiima Forrest			Orienteering	Orienteering							
Opas Skiing Spot		Field Archery	Field Archery	Field Archery							
Selion Plaza							Billiards	Billiards	Billiards	Billiards	Billiards
World Games Plaza (site Castle Hotel)		Pétanque	Boule Lyonnaise/ Pétanque	Boule Lyonnaise/ Pétanque							
Yuwa Town											
Track&Field Stad.			Gateball (D)	Gateball (D)							
Football Stadium				Flying Disc Ultimate	Flying Disc Ultimate	Flying Disc Ultimate	Casting	Casting	Casting	Tug of War Outdoor M	
Disc Golf Course		Flying Disc Golf	Flying Disc Golf								
Skydome										Tug of War Indoor W (D)	Tug of War Indoor M/ Tug of War Indoor W (D)
											Closing Ceremony
Tenno Town											
Gymnasium			Karate	Karate						Sumo (D)	Sumo (D)
Ogata Village											
Central Waterway								Water Ski	Water Ski	Water Ski	(Water Ski)
Baseball Stadium		Parachuting	Parachuting	Parachuting	(Parachuting)	(Parachuting)					
Rokugo Town											
Aspal Gymn.			Korfball	Korfball	Korfball	Korfball	Korfball				
Yokote City											
Utenayu Bowl						Bowling	Bowling	Bowling			
Iwaki Town											
Island Park											Beach Lifesaving
Honjo City											
Honjo Marina								Beach Handbal (D)	Beach Handbal (D)	Beach Handbal (D)	

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To provide these lesser known sports with the media exposure and popularity they require for their further development, the IWGA and its Member Federations organise every four years a multi sports event called WORLD GAMES.

The following International Sports Federations (in alphabetical order of their sports' names) are affiliated to the IWGA: IAF (Aikido), FAI (Air Sports), FITA (Archery), WCBS (Billiards Sports), IFBB (BodyBuilding), CMSB (Boules Sport), FIQ (Bowling), FIC (Canoe), ICF (Casting), IDSF (DanceSport), IFV (Fistball), WFDF (Flying Disc), FIG (Gymnastics), IHF (Handball), FIH (Hockey), JJIF (Ju-Jitsu), FMK (Karate), IKF (Korfball),

ILS (Lifesaving), IFNA (Netball), IOF (Orienteering), FIPV (Pelota Vasca), IPF (Powerlifting), IRF (Racquetball), FIRS (Roller Sports), IRB (Rugby), WSF (Squash), ISA (Surfing), TWIF (Tug of War), CMAS (Underwater), IWSF (Water Ski).

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IWGA Annual Meeting 2000

On Thursday 26th October the annual general meeting of the IWGA took place in Monte-Carlo with all 30 Member Federations represented. Apart from the regular issues on the agenda, the meeting decided to delete the function of a Financial Examiner, to accept the nomination of Messrs Gerald Koenig (Bowling) and Rudi Baumann (DanceSport) for the Nominating Committee for elections of the Executive during the 2001 AGM and to welcome the Fédération Internationale de Hockey (FIH) as 31st Member Federation for their Indoor Hockey discipline. Furthermore a lot of attention was paid to the preparations of the World Games 2001 in Akita (JPN) and to the newly agreed host city for the World Games 2005, the Germany city of Duisburg. The list of speakers included among others the Secretary General of WADA Harri Syväsalmi, the IOC Observer to the IWGA Dr Jacques Rogge, the IOC Sports Director Gilbert Felli and the IWGA Hon. Member Herman Valken.

The next AGM will take place in Singapore on Thursday 25th October 2001.



FIH President is presented the IWGA flag

IOC Representative to World Games 2001

Further to the recently increased working relationship between the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and the IWGA (see front page), President Juan A. Samaranch has appointed an IOC representative to the World Games 2001, to be held in Akita (JPN) in August. The IOC Member in Japan Chiharu Igaya has accepted the assignment.

Being an IOC Member since 1982, he officiated as Member of the IOC Executive Board till last September. Besides, Chiharu Igaya is Member of the Board of the Japan National Olympic Committee.



Visa for Japan

The Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs announced the list with the countries where applications for visa must be required from Japanese embassies. In Europe it concerns Belarus, Bulgaria, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine, Romania, Russia and Slovakia. In the Americas it is only Brazil and in Africa just South Africa. In Asia, visa must be requested from the Japanese embassies in the People's Republic of China, Chinese Taipei, Kazakhstan, North Korea and South Korea.

Further details can be found on the website of the Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs: www.mofa.go.jp



Seventh meeting Co-ordination Committee in Monte-Carlo

In conjunction with annual the meetings of the GAISF and of the IWGA, the Co-ordination Committee for the World Games 2001 met for the seventh time in Monte-Carlo on 24th October 2000. The Committee, composed of representatives of the IWGA Executive Committee and of the Akita Organising Committee, discussed - among other issues - various details for the Opening Ceremony on Thursday 16th August at the Yabase Stadium in Akita City.

The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for 15th February, this time in Akita City. To prepare the doping control during the event, the President and the Member of the IWGA Medical Committee, Dr Pierre Dernier and Dr Karl-Heinz Kerll, will also be present. Also a meeting will take place with the Technical Delegates of all the sports.



Meeting of the Co-ordination Committee



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