THE INTERNATIONAL GOVERNING BODY OF TRADITIONAL KARATE



Curitiba, June 9th, 2021

CHAIRMAN COMMUNICATION 013/2021

Dear ITKF Member Organizations,

For everyone's knowledge, the following are the **resolutions of the Extraordinary General Meeting of ITKF held on June 5, 2021**:

- 1. The disaffiliation of the ETKF from ITKF was confirmed by a large majority of votes (reasons set out in circulars 11 and 12 of 2021).
- 2. The new institution that will represent ITKF on the European continent ITKF EUROPE was approved by a large majority of votes.

We inform, with great satisfaction, the return to ITKF staff of Sensei Romulo Machado, who for a long time was the Legal Advisor to Mestre Nishiyama at ITKF.

The composition of the board of ITKF EUROPE follows:

President: Mr. Romulo Machado; Chairman: Mr. Roman Pavlovic; 1st Vice Chairman: Mrs. Sandrine El Marhomy; 2nd Vice Chairman: Mr. Fernando Silva; General Secretary: Mr Maurizio Ronconi; Treasurer: Mr. Vitor Fins; Director of the Technical Committee: Mr. Bernardo Dino Contarelli; Director of the Arbitration Committee: Mr. Eligio Contarelli; Director of the Events Committee: Mr. Iztok Malacic; Director of the Medical Commission: Mr. Maurizio Ronconi; Director of the Ethics Committee: Mr. Manfred Schmoigl; Comptroller: Mrs. Sabine Klostermeier.

I congratulate ITKF Europe for the excellent organization it showed at its first meeting and I hope it can grow, strengthen and work in harmony with ITKF.





I want to say to everyone, once again, that this was a difficult decision for this Board and for the General Assembly. It was a strictly institutional decision, as the functioning of ETKF is not compatible with that of ITKF. Decision-making was not based on the now, but on the future of ITKF. We need to grow and become stronger, for this the Regional Organizations need to be in tune with ITKF and go in the same direction.

Finally, we inform you that the 2019 ITKF General Assembly did not ratify any Vice President due to the fact that the election of ETKF was not carried out on that occasion. As the subsequent election of ETKF in 2020 was irregular due to the participation of non-ITKF-affiliated organizations, the position was also not ratified at the 2020 ITKF General Assembly.

Therefore, ITKF does not have any approved Vice President.

We will continue working to further strengthen ITKF and we count on everyone's commitment on this journey.

The Tradition Continues

Gilberto Gaertner

ITKF Chairman

