

From the Editor

Dear Members,

The IMAF-Europe website is well in its way to be rebuilt into a more flexible one.

A you can read in our main article the launching of the new website shall be the beginning of better means to communicate .

Especially the new button CALENDAR shall be a major improvement. All information can be kept up to date. But in this we need your help. After all, you are the suppliers of the information about the activities you wish to be published.

With the new website all members shall also have

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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

The members of the Daily Board of IMAF-Europe wishes a happy, healthy and sportive 2015



IMAF-EUROPE 2015: Our main goals

TO KEEP WORKING ON THE IMPROVEMENT OF COMMUNICATION

Not just the **IMAF-Europe Newsletter** as the start for better communication. This can only function as a platform on which IMAF-EUROPE and all its members can present themselves, publish their articles, report their activities, and share their views, ideas and knowledge, with your full co-operation.

- ✓ A next step shall be the introduction of the completely overhauled **IMAF Europe website**, which shall make it possible to publish **IMAF-Europe Newsflashes** to keep you up-to-date with all our activities, even minor ones. This is probably the most important step in improving our communication, especially because it shall be linked directly to the IMAF Europe Facebook page, Twitter.....
 - We want to let you know what happens, when, where and how.
 - We want to let you know about changes and why.
 - We shall inform you about interesting matters that come to us.
- ✓ A clear vision and goals
- ✓ What we expect from you, is full cooperation and compliance to our rules, nothing less.

IMAF-Europe as a learning organisation

IMAF-EUROPE MARTIAL ARTS ACADEMY

Goals and Objectives

- The IMAF-Europe Academy can provide for a formal educational program for the Budo and Martial Arts practitioners.
- The IMAF-Europe Academy prepares Martial Artists for quality teaching and certifies instructors and teachers of various levels:
 - Assistant Instructor
 - Instructor
 - Teacher
 - Senior Teacher
 - Master.
- The goal of the IMAF-Europe Academy is to broaden the professional horizons of senior Budoka and Martial Artists, to encourage research, developing, writing and publishing of professional material and learning agendas.
- The IMAF-Europe Academy functions as an independent professional body to improve and broaden the education of its members and students in various ways.

- The IMAF-Europe Academy has set down a professional code of ethics and is promoting the public image of the Martial Arts and Martial Artists.
- The IMAF-Europe Academy can provide for full academic courses of Martial Arts towards an accredited academic degree.

Under the flag of IMAF-Europe there is room for an Academy, a house for all Nippon Budo, such as Karate, Judo, Jujutsu, Kobudo, for Korean, Chinese, Philippine martial arts, etc., but also for Savate and Self defence and Protection & Prevention.

Nowadays there is much violence at schools. IMAF-Europe schools, as they are grouped and organised in the structure of each member country, should have an important role in supplying lessons and training at primary schools.

As a complementary on gymnastics, we should offer lessons and trainings in self defence and prevention. Not only to give students, scholars more self confidence, but also to show them a way to sports in general: "Sports can be fun!"

How?

- **The International Budo Academy:** The certification of Teachers and Instructors can take place under the umbrella of the International Budo Academy (IBA) as soon as IMAF-Europe and the IBA shall undersign the Declaration of Commitment, in which the terms of our co-operation shall be described.
- **The World Defense Tactics Association (WDTA) and International Defense Tactics College (IDTC):** IMAF-Europe and the WDTA have now mutual cooperation agreement. By establishing the Protection and Security Division for IMAF-Europe and national platforms for the Security and Defense Tactics Division all members of IMAF-Europe can now benefit of the educational offers by these partners.
- **The Nihon Kobudo Bu Jutsu Department** for education and training in the field of Traditional Budo.
- **By daring to be different**, by promoting Budo and Martial Arts in their original and traditional form as it was intended by their founders.

INTRODUCTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE TACTICS COLLEGE

Dear Members,

Today I am very proud to introduce the mutual cooperation with the International Defense Tactics College (IDTC) and IMAF Europe. Beside our own activities within our Protection and Security Division this cooperation gives us the opportunity of networking on professional international level, exchanging knowledge, access to a train-the-trainers program and at least to apply as a candidate/student for the college and training module based education.

The IDTC based in Fort Myers, Florida is an educational institution providing academic and hands-on training for careers as professional defense tactics trainers with a curriculum strictly designed for the purpose of education, certification and providing meaningful teaching credentials for our graduates to teach their craft.



The mission of our Cooperation is to create a world body of organizations mutually cooperating in the development of a defense tactics standardization of training for security, law enforcement and The IDTC is affiliated with the World Defense Tactics Association and United States Police Defensive tactics Association a group serving in Education over thirty years.

Within the last weeks we had a lot of meetings and conversations with security specialists and police officers of our national IMAF Branches interested in serving as National communication coordinators for the International Defensive Tactics College.

The target market of the International Defense Tactics College is Military, Police, Law-Enforcement, Security Specialists, Executive Protection officers and skilled martial artists being active in the field of protection and security.

Students using the programs both on campus in USA and in international centers where the IDTC is establishing an online curriculum through website eLearning suites.

Chancellor and Director of the IDTC is Dr. Ric Black, General Director of the World Defense Tactics Association, the US Police Defensive Tactics Association and publisher of the Tactics Magazine. Ric Black is well known in the martial arts as well. He is the head of the Bunbu Ichi Zendo Budo/Bugei Kai founded in Shanghai/China in 1918. His family is involved into Budo for three generations



So far we received a positive feedback from: Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Italy, Sweden, Poland, Austria, France and Spain.

If your Branch is not on the list yet and you are interested in serving as a national communication coordinator for the IDTC please contact: Fricke@imaf-eu.de for further information.

A first information package will be send out to the communication coordinators in November followed by direct contact with the IDTC in US till end of the year. The college program will be available from 2015 via the coordinators.



International Defense Tactics College

Communication - Coordinators IMAF Europe

Supervisor Europe: Jens Fricke

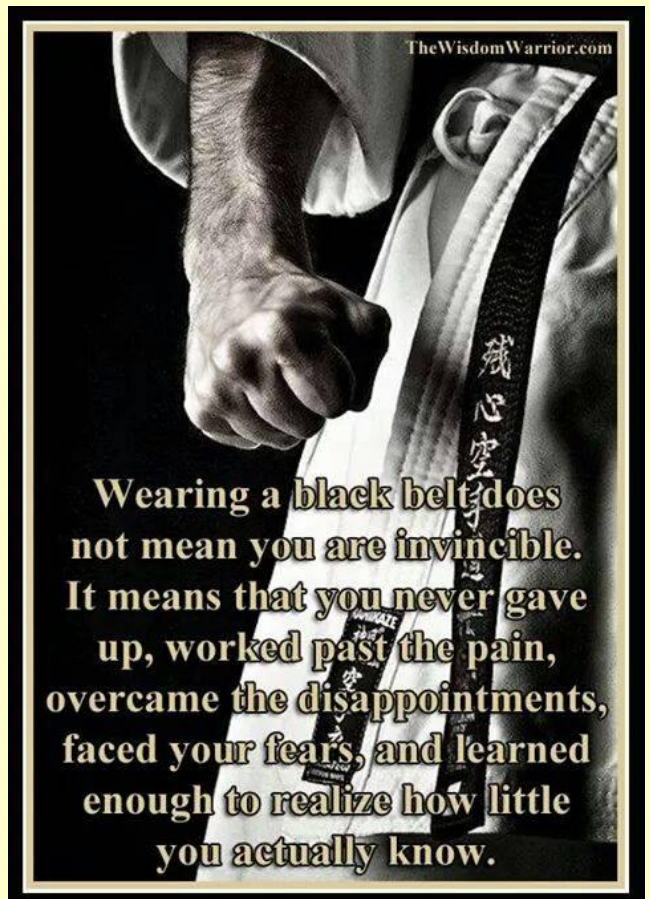
National Supervisor/ Communication Coordinator:

- Belgium: Frankie Lacroix
- The Netherlands: Cees van der Wal
- Sweden: Peter Rosendahl
- Germany: Vicky Fricke
- Poland: Piotr Witkowski
- Italy: Gianni Rossato
- France: Eric Conxicouer
- Spain : Juan Miranda
- Austria : Lars von Schwalfenberg
- Bosnia & Herzegovina: Bosco Vidovic
- United Kingdom: Tony Johnson



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The Place: **Nowe City, Poland**
The Grand Opening



**IMAF EUROPE
EUROPEAN OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014**

After a long and careful planning period the EOC 2014 commenced on 18th October 2014 in the small and beautiful town of Nowe in Poland.

For IMAF Europe the preparation started the year before, in Alba Iulia, Romania when representatives of IMAF Poland and the town of Nowe presented their plans about the organisation. Centre of the presentation was an information stand with information folders and booklets about the location and Nowe. It is evident, that this was the result of a long and careful planning process.

The opening of the EOC 2014 was spectacular with a parade of all officials, athletes and flags of the participating countries, entering the sport hall. After the opening ceremony, with a ladies vocal group, with speeches from the President of IMAF Poland and IMAF Europe, the Mayor of Nowe and several other officials, the first competitions began.

On three Tatami several categories commenced, from Karate-Do Kata to Sport Jujutsu, and Kobudo.

The next IMAF Europe EOC shall take place in 2016. At the IMAF Europe Congress of 2014 it was decided that from now on the EOC shall be every two years. Every second year an International Competition can be adopted as the official tournament of IMAF Europe for that year.



The battles



More battles



The Warrior





The Coach

Joy and disappointment,
Or just a cold



The Officials

8th - 15th January 2015
WINTERCAMP IMAF POLAND

In Kościelisko / Zakopane, Poland

Combine Budo (Karate, Jujutsu, Sport Kenjutsu, Kobudo, Iaido) and Winter sports

Cost: 560 PLN (~ 140 Euro), including: accommodation. Full board, martial arts trainings, trip for the thermal aqua park

Additional costs (on your own):

- ski equipment: about 20 PLN (~5 Euro) / day
- small ski lift: 10 PLN (~ 2,5 Euro) / 12 downhill rides
 - Insurance

Accommodation:

„Kasia” Hostel, Czajki 65 street, 34-511 Koscielisko, Zakopane, PL
www.kasia.koscielisko.pl

14th and 15th March 2015

BUDO SEMINAR FRANCE

In Bugeat (near Limoges, Corrèze), France

Address: www.espace1000sources.com

Program:

JUDO, JUJITSU, AIKIDO, KARATE, AIKI-BUDO, SELF-DEFENSE, KUNG -FU
 KEMPO,
 JEET KUN DO, KARATE JUTSU - GOSHINBUDO ... On a surface of 800 m2
 Tatami and wooden floor

Fees:

Internship full price (Saturday to Sunday 14h 13h): 25 €
 Course fee (Saturday or Sunday 14h - 18h 9h - 13h): 15 €
 For a night with breakfast, lunch and dinner provided at 65€ per person

29th March 2015

INTERNATIONAL KARATE TOURNAMENT
"NIELSE RUPELCUP"

In Niel (near Antwerp), Belgium

Address: Sporthal "August Wyn"
 Jozef Wauterslaan, 2845 Niel, Belgium

Program:

Kata, Teamkata,
 Kumite Ippon Shobu
 Kumite Sanbon Shobu

Competition starts at 10.00 hrs
 Fee: € 9,00 for each (2014)

Sunday 20th April 2015

IMAF the NETHERLANDS BUDO DAY

Sport hall "Triominos"
 Eltensestraat 4, Duiven (near Arnhem), the
 Netherlands

More information to follow soon

**25th and 26th April 2015
IMAF-BELGIUM TAIKAI**

In Hoboken (near Antwerp), Belgium

Address: Sporthal "Extra Time"
Louisalei 24, 2660 Hoboken, Belgium

Program:
International Seminars with Japanese Masters

More information coming soon

Friday 15th to Sunday 17th June 2015

IMAF SPAIN TAIKAI 2015

In Cala Montjoi, Spain

Address: Cala Montjoi Holiday Village (Roses, Girona)

More information to follow soon

**Saturday 27th June 2015
IMAF-EUROPE ANNUAL CONGRESS 2015**

In Emden, Germany

Address: Conference Rooms 110/111 School BBS II
Steinweg 25, 26721 EMDEN, Germany

Program:

14.00 - 15.00 hrs Technical Directors Meeting
15.00 - 17.00 hrs Congress IMAF-Europe

Higher Dan Examinations:

Osaka Sport Center
Hansastr. 14a, 26723 Emden, Germany
Timetable will be announced after all inscriptions

**Sunday 28th June 2015
IMAF-EUROPE BUDO DAY**

In Emden, Germany

Address: Sport Hall BBS II
Steinweg 25, 26721 EMDEN, Germany

Program:

10.00 hrs Opening
10.30 - 16.00 hrs Seminars

Editorial

You can support us by mailing an article about your Martial Art or Budo and your activities'

Please send us in English your article.

If you would like to send photographs, please make sure that they are of good quality (5M or better).

Our main interest lies in action pictures, Martial arts in action, not only line ups of familiar faces.

Improve your Public Relations

Advertise your activities on your website

Set links to the website of IMAF-Europe and of other IMAF-Europe countries

Connect!

**DEDICATE YOUR WEBSITE TO
IMAF-EUROPE!**

You can also help us by
dedicating your website
To IMAF-Europe