



Italian Taekwon-Do Association A.S.D. FITAE-ITF

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Annual Report 2015



The Italian Taekwon-Do Association FITAE-ITF is very proud to look at all progress and promotion made in 2015 recording many successful events, either at international and national level, and development of the association.

We are particularly proud to celebrate the great success and satisfaction that came from the ITF World Championships in Jesolo (Venice) from 27 to 31 May (main organizer Master Giovanni Ceconato).

All participants enjoyed the pleasant atmosphere, the professional organization, the great competition and the beautiful location and beach weather.

Our 164 registered clubs are actively linked to the central body of the Association and cooperate in all events. FITAE-ITF is always focused on the democratic approach, professional and familiar activities such as tournaments, stages, instructor courses and summer camps set in nice touristic locations.

After a long and detailed preparation, our national team scored a fantastic 2015 reaching excellent results at the World Championships in Jesolo and at the European Championships in Scotland classifying, for the first time, to the third place in the medal classification for countries.

A new Board of Directors was elected in November to set for FITAE-ITF a brilliant future.

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January 2015

The annual activity started with the **Technical Update Course** divided in regional groups. A high number of black belts took part in the two day course held by the National Technical Committee in different locations.



In the southern regions was held the 5th **National Training for Cadets** held by Ms. Rachele Fogli and Mr. Mario De Lucia. The aim of these squad training is to prepare new athletes for the future national team.



In January our association always organizes the **National Umpire Course**. This year was decided to have three separate regional courses (North, South and Sardinia) in order to reach the maximum number of members and to get numerous qualified referees for the national championship. The courses were held by the Italian Umpire Committee: Master Stefano Minotti, Master Luca Maragoni and Mr. Andrea Cendron.

Our national teams (Male Junior and Senior, Female Junior and Senior) met at different locations with the coaches Mr. Iagher, Master Cammarota, Master Iovane, Master Saccomanno and Ms. Riccio. Only four full months to go for the World Championships!

February 2015



Eighteen FITAE-ITF members, including President Master Caiazzo, flew to Budapest to attend the **International Umpire Course** in order to be selected to officiate in the World Championships Jesolo 2015.

Great success for the **ROMA OPEN Taekwon-Do International** event, organized by ExtremeFighters Team, held in the city centre in a prestigious sportshall and hosting from children and cadets to top class national and international competitors. The competition has been marked by recall to the Latin culture with citations to the world of ancient Rome. The organization got a rewarding and satisfactory feedback for the numerous articles published in the main Rome newspapers. The Overall Winner Trophy went to the team trained by Mr. Leandro Iagher that won the Roman helm and dagger.



March 2015

The **32nd National Championships**, dedicated to Cadets, Juniors and Seniors, individual and team competitions, took place in Rimini and recorded a big success in terms of participation and technical level. The whole championships was run with the electronic scoring system provided by the Bulgarian ITF Federation. A good experience for our national team members as well for all the well prepared and enthusiastic competitors. We proudly hosted an ITF V.I.P. and Chairman of the Tournament Committee: Master Coos van de Heuvel. The prestigious trophy for the overall winner went to "Dojang Rising Hwarang", Master Saccomanno's club.



April 2015

In the month of April, the lovely town of Terracina hosted a big and relevant international open event for individuals and teams, **THE ANXUR BATTLE**, organized by our President, Master Carmine Caiazzo. Many national and international clubs, as long as almost all the national team members, joined the competition. The Polish club Dolny Slask Team, trained by Mr. Lukasz Stawarz and Mr. Adam Alenowicz, won the Overall Champion trophy. Very good feedback from press and tv media as well as participation of the main regional politicians.

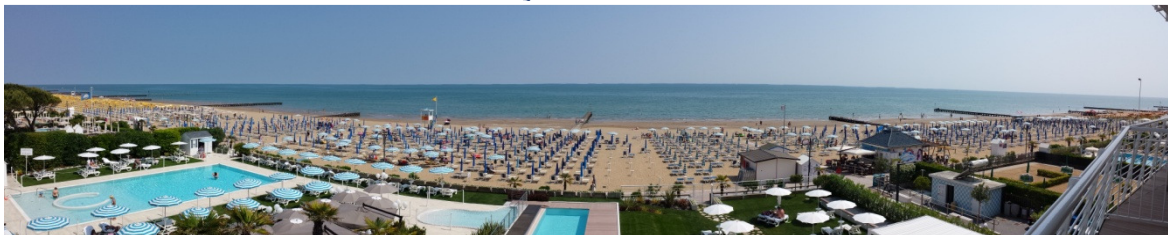


Besides the main competitions organized by FITAE-ITF at international and national level, throughout the whole year the regional committees give life to numerous events that always register a high number of participants and are the beating heart of association. Many technical seminars are always organized at local level as well as competitions.

In April was held the **7th Lion Cup** in Veneto and the **SAF Trophy** in Sardinia.



May 2015



The month of May has been focal in our group: the **19th Senior and 13th Junior World Championships ITF** was held in Jesolo (Venice) from May 27 to 31. Worldwide appreciation was shown to Master Ceconato, the head organizer supported by GM Bos and Ms. T. Mimmocchi, that did his very best to host this great event. 1019 competitors from 52 countries, 323 coaches, 97 umpires, 153 officials and 800 supporters contributed to make this event unforgettable.



We surely remember the opening ceremony filled by extraordinary demonstrations and reaching its top with the performance of Tenor Francesco Grollo that, performing famous arias, enchanted the entire audience.



The ITF President Master Trajtenberg, the Board of Directors, TAFISA President and Secretary General, as well FITA and FIKBMS Secretary General and Board members, attended the whole event enjoying the perfectly run competition, the lovely town, the beach and the fantastic surroundings such as Venice, Padua and Treviso.

Seven Italian Umpires were chosen to officiate the event.

Our national team was very successful reaching the 8th position, with 3 gold, 2 silver and 7 bronze medals, after New Zealand, Rumania, Poland, Ireland, Norway, Canada and Germany.

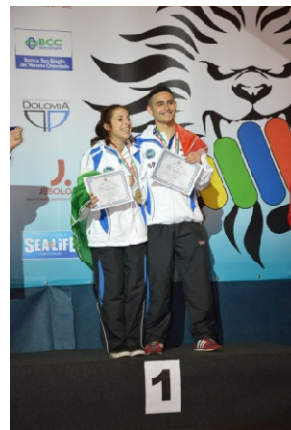


The scheduled ITF Congress and elections for President and Board of Directors were held in 5 stars Hotel Almar Congress Center. In this occasion the assembly chose Dublin, Ireland, as location for next 2017 ITF World Championships.



May 2015

World Championships Photo Album



Thank you all!

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May 2016

FITAE-ITF enriches its heritage with two new Masters.

During the World Championship was held a high degree examination session held by a very prestigious committee: GM Pablo Trajtenberg, President ITF, GM Wim Bos, ITF Director, and GM Javier Dacak, member of ITF Board of Directors.

Our two candidates for the VII degree promotion, Mr. Luca Maragoni and Mr. Stefano Minotti, performed at their best and were promoted with congratulations for their technical level.



Master Carmine Caiazzo, President FITAE-ITF, and Mr. Alessandro Boscari, Vice-President, attended the examination and proudly welcomed the new Masters.

June 2015



Only two weeks past the World Championships is time for another big tournament: the **Mediterranean Open** in Cagliari, in the awesome island of Sardinia.

The organization, by multi medalist Ms. Silvia Farigu and Mr. C. Oriolani, ensured a perfect competition, run with electronic system, and friendly atmosphere. The yearly event is open to children, cadets, juniors and seniors in individual and team competitions.



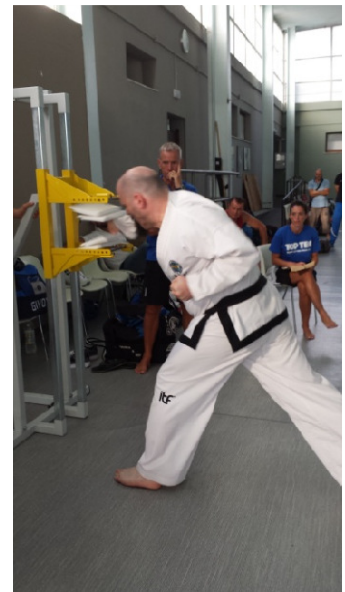
In addition several regional seminars, summer camps and charity events took place in different location getting ready for the summer season.

July 2015

In July took place the **National Squad Training** to select the national team members for next important date: the European Championships to be held in Scotland in October. Seventy athletes joined the training enjoying a nice week-end in Avezzano, a nice place amongst the Abruzzo mountains, hometown of Sabum Massimo Persia, one of our most known champions.



Getting together, the national team members and Board of Directors enthusiastically decided to join Mr. Philip Lear, an old and dear FITAE-ITF friend, in his fundraising initiative "**Le Tandem Trek**" to collect funds for cancer research.



August and September 2015

Time for summer holidays and rest!

The Veneto TKD Association organized a pleasant **summer camp** in the north of Italy, in the spectacular Dolomites, dedicated to young athletes and families, to train and enjoy the outdoor life.



Mr. Christian Oriolani, member of the national team, was examined in Sardinia by GM Wim Bos and Master Fabrizio Contini, assisted by Mr. Leandro Iagher. The candidate has been **promoted to VI degree** after a top class exam that highlighted his physical and mental preparation.



TOP TEN and FITAE-ITF signed a **sponsorship and branding agreement** to consolidate an old and productive cooperation with the production of branded items.



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October 2015

Ready for the next adventure: **the AETF European Championships** in Motherwell, Scotland. Italy participate with 50 athletes, 5 coaches, 1 physiotherapist, 3 Umpires and 2 officials.



As result of a great team work, for the first time FITAE-ITF wins the 3rd place trophy in the classification for nations with 7 gold, 6 silver and 9 bronze medals.

In addition, our World Champion and multi medalist Ms. Silvia Farigu was the Best Female Senior Competitor by winning 2 gold in Pattern IV-VI degree and Sparring -50 kg.

Mr. Davide Messineo, World Champion 2013, again to the podium for the European title -85 kg. Gold medals for the junior pattern female team, for Ms. Clara Galli in pattern 1st degree, for Mr. Timothy Bos in pattern 3rd degree and for the couple Persia-Di Profio that reached the very deserved European title in Traditional Sparring.

Nice atmosphere in the surprising big sportshall, time to enjoy and meet new and old friends from abroad.

National Masters Training

Our top Instructors met in Rome for an intensive training and meeting with FITAE-ITF Technical Director GM Bos. Time to concentrate and plan the next National Technical Courses where all Masters will be teaching.



November 2015

Busy month for our association with five main events: National Assembly and elections, Instructors Course, Fight Tour, Master exams and TopTen Italian Open in Milan.

The National Assembly, Elections and National Instructor Course took place in Padua and recorded a high number of participants and strong interest in all subjects covered in the course.



The General Assembly decided to rise to seven the number of members of the Board of Directors, confirmed Master Carmine Caiazzo as President and voted for the new management that will asset FITAE-ITF future life for the next four years: Ms. Rachele Fogli (VicePresident), Master Luca Maragoni (Secretary General), Mr. Alessandro Boscari, Mr. Gianluca Amato, Ms. Grazia Nenciati and Mr. Marco Gigante.



November 2015

The **FIGHT TOUR**, that in the past years hosted personalities as Master Van de Mortel, Mr. Barada and Mr. and Ms. Solevey, is run with the purpose of raising funds for the travel expenses of the national team members. This year our two 2015 World Champions, Ms. Silvia Farigu and Mr. Timothy Bos were appointed to run five stages around Italy with the assistance of two national coaches, Mr. Iagher and Ms. Riccio. The first two stops were in the north of Italy, near Milan and near Venice.



Two more Masters in our organization!

At the end of the month an **examination session for high degrees** was held in Milan. For the occasion, GM Bos invited GM Ung Lan to be part of the examination committee.

Mr. Sergio Sergi and Mr. Alessandro Cavidossi, as well as a member from Moldova, were promoted to VII degree and received many congratulations by the examiners for their physical and technical preparation.



In the same session Mr. Massimo Persia, well known champion, was promoted to VI degree as well as Mr. Mario De Lucia, one of our best competitors in the past, that was examined in Terracina.



November 2015



The last big tournament of the year took place in Milan, the **TOP TEN ITALIAN OPEN**. The organization, by Master O. Saccomanno in cooperation with GM Bos, included competitions for children, cadets, juniors, seniors, Elite Pro (black belts national team members) and a Grand Champion event with 500 Euros money prize for 3 categories (Males -70, Males +70, Females). Clubs from 13 nations were present to enjoy the usual Italian hospitality.

The on-line registration and management of the competition was created and directed by Mr. Mikhail Voronstov and allowed the quick and correct execution of all categories. Special mention goes to the electronic system and related instrumentation, offered and operated by some members of ITF Bulgaria led by President Mr. Ignatov, which worked perfectly and raised the quality level of the competition, offering

a precise and fluid competition, respectful of the planned schedule.

Guests of honor were: GM Ung Lan and Master Coos Van de Heuvel.



The Grand Champions, going back home with the trophy and the money prize were Ms. Anna Pinton ITA, Mr. Timothy Bos ITA (-70) and Mr. Jason Bint GB (+70).



December 2015

The year ends with the 3rd phase of the **Fight Tour** in Tuscany,



with **three regional tournaments** in Veneto, Lazio and Sardinia



and with the **Selection Training for the National Team** participating in April 2016 in the AETF European Championships in Tampere, Finland.



FITAE-ITF thanks all members, Instructors, Umpires and friends in Italy, and around the world, that actively contribute to the growth and the diffusion of Taekwon-Do and make our life passionate and lucky.

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