

Welcome to the main event for Taekwon-Do ITF in Europe
30th of April - 2nd of May 2010
Skövde - Sweden



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Dear Grand Masters, Masters, Instructors, Colleagues and Friends,

It's my great pleasure to invite you to the main event in Europe for ITF Taekwon-Do 2010, the 25th senior and 16th junior European Taekwon-Do Championships. This time this big TKD event will for the first time be arranged in Sweden.

Even though it is the first time a European Championship will be hosted in Sweden we have some experience of organizing big TKD competitions. For those who maybe don't know we have during the last 10 years successfully arranged the international ITF TKD competition Viking Cup International. This was a very fantastic time and I hope that experience gained from arranging these competitions will help us to perform this 1st European Championship in Sweden at least as good as the Viking Cup competitions and other European Championships earlier in the past. As the head of the organizing committee of the European Championships 2010 I take this mission very, very seriously and I will do my best to make the upcoming European Championships as comfortable as possible for all umpires, coaches and competitors.

As the Swedish national coach since 1991 I have probably met many of you during earlier competitions in those years. We are all aware of that all championship has a good and unfortunately also a bad side. I know that it's almost impossible to arrange a championship without some "bad sides" but I really hope that I with help of you will be able to avoid as many problems as possible already ahead of the competition.

As the first step in this work I send you this information. Even though it's almost half a year to the first day of the European Championship 2010 I would like to start the contact with you already today. This will help me much in the preparations of the championship. I'm also very hopeful that this helps you prepare your team and of course your organization as well as possible.

To accomplish my mission I will ask you to help us to prepare all details concerning the championship. For this I ask you very kindly to fill in and send back to us the attached document: **ec2010_preinfo.xls**. This is very important information for the whole competition and on the other hand this of course also helps you and your team when arriving to Sweden next year. Please take this very seriously and send the attached document to us as soon as possible, preferably before the 10th of January 2010. For those who send the document really quick I have a special surprise which you get when you come to Sweden to the European Championships 2010.

Of course I understand that you maybe can't answer our questions in the document precisely but even your estimated/preliminary information would be very, very helpful to us.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

Best regards from Sweden,

Swavek Dydiszko, 6 Dan
Head of the Organizing Committee
European Taekwon-Do Championships 2010



ORGANIZER

The 25th senior and 16th junior European Taekwon-Do Championships will be arranged by Swedish ITF Taekwon-Do Federation and Skövde Taekwon-Do Club.

The 25th senior and 16th junior European Taekwon-Do Championships will be lead by All European Taekwon-Do Federation's Umpire and Tournament Committee with the following masters:

- Master Coos van den Heuvel, Netherlands
- Master Sandy Dunbar, Scotland
- Master Giovanni Ceconnato, Italy

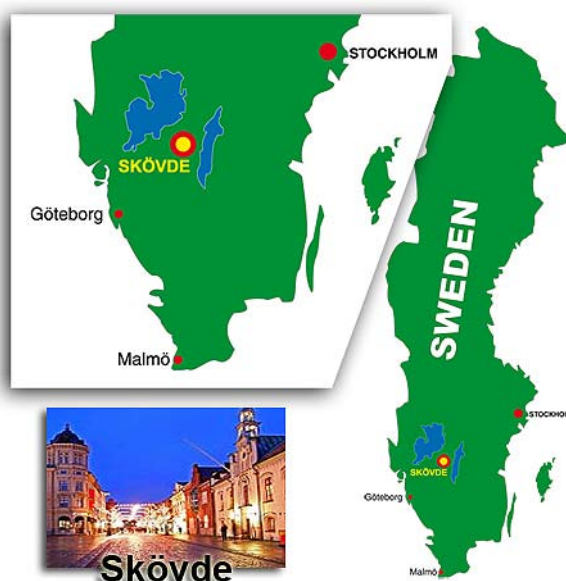
On-line registration of all teams and administration such as drawing, ID-cards etc for the 25th senior and 16th junior European Taekwon-Do Championships will be coordinated and performed by All European Taekwon-Do Federation.



DATE AND PLACE OF THE EVENT

The European Taekwon-Do Championships 2010 will be held in the town Skövde between 30th of April to 2nd of May 2010.

Skövde is located in the south of Sweden and has a 150 kilometres distance to Gothenburg in the south-west direction and a 330 kilometres distance to Stockholm in north-east direction.



HOW TO GET TO SKÖVDE

You can get to Skövde in many different ways:

By airplane

The nearest airport is in Gothenburg which is situated about 150 km from Skövde. Therefore the best way of travel is to first fly to Gothenburg and from there take the bus or train which travels directly to Skövde. The train ride takes approximately 1 hour.

Transfer

We are also able to arrange transportation from the airport in Gothenburg to the hotel in Skövde. Please contact the organizing committee for details about costs for this service.

By train

Skövde has good connections by railway with most Swedish cities. However, the fastest connections are with Stockholm and Gothenburg where you can choose between X2000 train (express) or ordinary train.

By car

There are no problems to travel comfortable by car in Sweden. Most of the roads are of very good standard, no matter how the weather conditions are.

SPORTS HALL

The European Taekwon-Do Championships 2010 will be arranged in the sports hall Arena Skövde which is situated in the center of the town. In the same hall was for the last 10 year's the competition Viking Cup International arranged. During the last year the hall was modified a lot. In connection to the hall is also another hall where a warm up area for the competitors will be. In the main hall are many changing rooms and in some of them are also a sauna and massage bench. In connection to the hall are also: restaurants, bowling center, coffee shops, sport gym and... a newly opened big Aqua Park. All participants in European Taekwon-Do Championships will get access to the the Aqua Park for a much reduced price!



PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE

Thursday, 29th of April 2010

Up to 14.00 - Arrival of all teams

Friday, 30th of April 2010

Competition day 1

Saturday, 1st of May 2010

Competition day 2

Sunday, 2nd of May 2010

Competition day 3 and EC 2010 party

Monday, 3rd of May 2010

Departure of the teams

ACTING PLAN

This is the preliminary acting plan for the European Taekwon-Do Championships 2010:

- December 2009
First information about date, place etc. Bulletin no 1.
- 1st of January 2010
The official website of the championships will be open.
- 1st of February 2010
The official invitation will be sent to all member countries.
- 1st of March 2010
Finish of all reservation of accommodation for the championships.
- 1st of April 2010
Last date to make changes in entry forms (on line).

