

## Monthly Newsletter World Karate Organization

### September 2022 Extra Issue (Vol. 230) Content

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#### 1. Message from WKO Headquarters

Dear Branch Chiefs and Contacts,

Thank you all for your dedication and hard work for our organization.

In preparation for the upcoming World Championship in Weight Categories, the WKO Headquarters is giving all of its support to the Poland Branch, the host country of this event.

Relaying accurate information at the perfect timing is vital to the success of a tournament. This Extra Issue contains the meeting documents and the tournament venue layout, and we ask for your careful confirmation of the content.

We ask for your cooperation and support for the Poland Branch during the time leading to the tournament.

#### WKO Headquarters

#### 2. Information for the 7<sup>th</sup> World Karate Championship in Weight Categories

#### 1. Important Documents

Please confirm the following attached documents.

① Agenda for the Board Meeting and General Assembly

2 Tournament Venue Layout (general version, 1<sup>st</sup> Day & 2<sup>nd</sup> Day version)

\*Other documents not attached with this Newsletter, will be sent later by e-mail or handed out at the actual meetings, and the agenda for the Committee meetings will be sent at a later timing to the related Committee members

#### 2. Doping Test

The doping test on September 25 (Sun.) will be held under the initiative of the organizer and the Anti-Doping Agency of Poland, with the attendance of WKO Anti-Doping Committee members. We ask for all competitors to carefully confirm the relevant news and information on the WADA website (URL: <u>https://www.wada-ama.org/en</u>), in order to be familiar with the latest anti-doping information and situation before the tournament.

#### 3. No acceptance of WKO payments

In order to avoid any possibility of theft, misplacement, and complications during immigration, we ask that Branch Chiefs/Contacts refrain from making any official payments (Annual Fee, Black Belt, etc.) to WKO members during the event, and no exceptions will be accepted. Please also understand that we will not be able to take any belts and certificates with us to Poland, for the tournament related equipment and items are of the highest priority.

#### 4. The official hotel will be Hotel Binkowski

The official hotel for Officials, Branch Chiefs/Contacts, Competitors and those related to the



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series of events will be Hotel Binkowski. The Grand Hotel will be for those with paid reservations. There is a possibility to order a daily lunch for the participants of the World Championship who will be accommodated in the Binkowski Hotel. The price of one lunch is USD\$25. Please send requests for orders to the Organizer's Office Employee Ms. Karolina Kobus at the following contact information.

E:mail: <u>office@wc2022kielce.com</u> Tel: +48664655703 Fax: +4571807555

## Agenda for WKO Board Meeting 2022

Date: September 22 (Thu.), 2022 15:00~18:00

Place: Hotel Binkowski Meeting Room

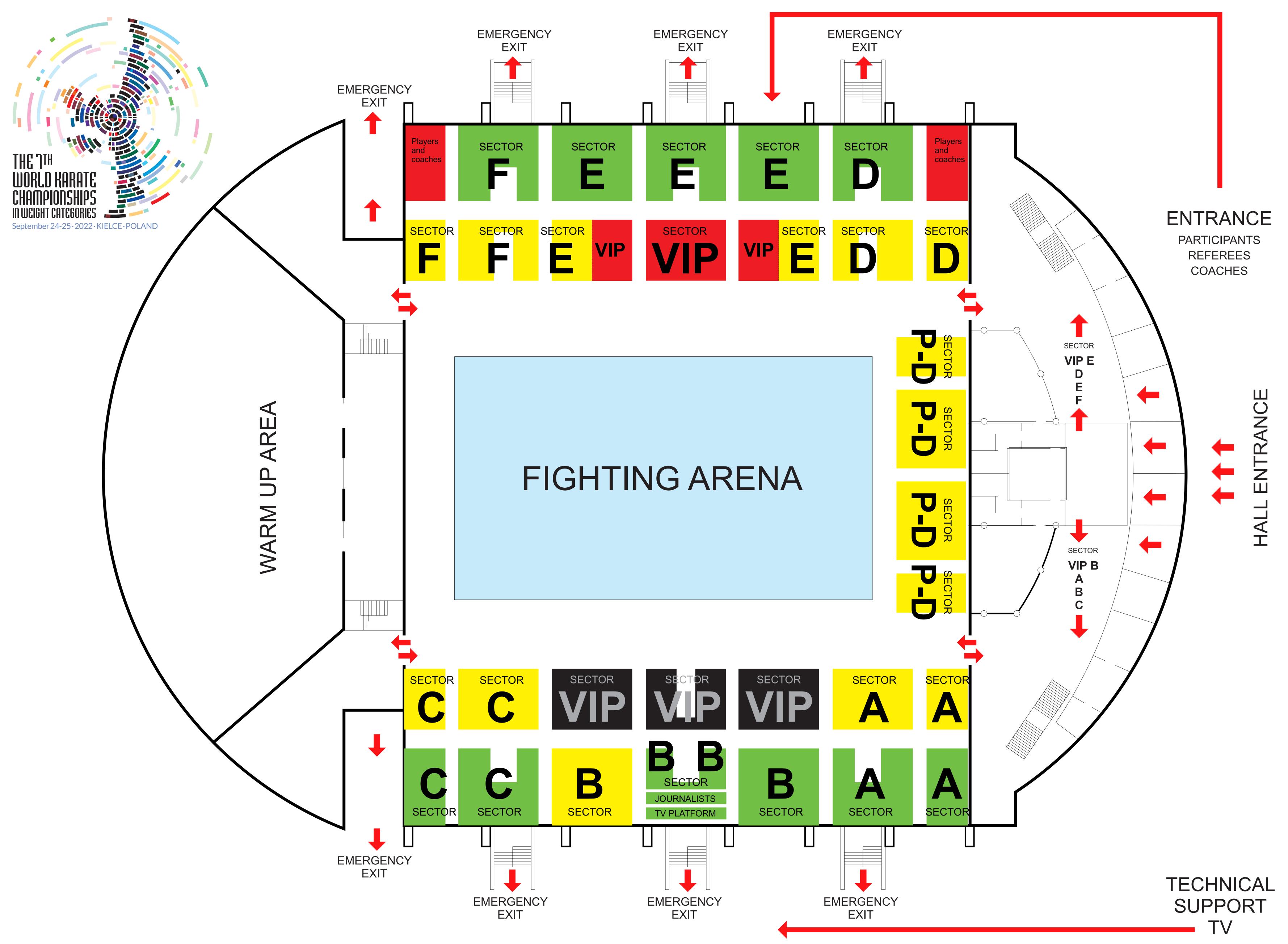
- Message from the Chairman, Selection of Signatories to the Minutes
- 1. Points of confirmation related to the 7<sup>th</sup> WC in Weight Categories (Executive Director)
  - The suspension of participation for the Russia Region, the formation of the referee list, etc.
- 2. Final accounts for Fiscal Year 2019 & 2020 and Auditor Report (Executive Director, Auditor)
  - Report of final accounts for Fiscal Year 2019 & 2020, Q & A session, Auditor Report
- 3. Report from each Committee (each Chairman or relevant member)
  - Grading Committee, Referee Committee, Technical Committee, Anti-Doping Committee
- 4. Information of future world tournaments and events (Japan Region)
- ① Information and participation limit related to the 13<sup>th</sup> World Open Karate Championship (October 14-15, 2023 in Tokyo)
- (2) The start of the "Champion of Champions" (scheduled for July 2024) event
- ③ The postponement of the 8WC in Weight Categories (from 2025 to 2029) and the holding of the 1<sup>st</sup> WFKO World Championship (originally scheduled for 2024), as an event to be jointly organized with the Expo in 2025
- ④ The Karate Dream Festival 2024 International Championship (2024), the 2<sup>nd</sup> JFKO International Fullcontact Karate Championship (2026)
- 5. The start of WFKO and the founding of regional federations/organizations (Japan Region)
- 6. Proposals related to the organization of the World Championship (Japan & Europe Region)
- The weight categories at the 8WC in Weight Categories and after (Japan & Europe Region)
  Proposed Change: <u>Men -60kg/-70kg/-80kg/-90kg/+90kg</u> Women -48kg/-53kg/-58kg/-63kg/+63kg
  - → The weight categories for Men were approved at the previous WKO Board Meeting in 2019. This time, the categories for women are proposed, to be introduced (with the Men categories) at the next WC in Weight Categories. [The European proposal was +5kg for Men, and +2kg for Women] (reference information)
- ② How to form the referee list and also improve fairness (Europe Region) Reason of proposal: Referees should not referee competitors from the same country. This is an effective way to maintain fairness in the competition. As for the details, it is proposed to form the referee teams before each round.

- ③ How to form the tournament draw and also improve fairness (Europe Region)
- Reason of proposal: When forming the tournament draw, to announce the standards (competition rank of fighters, region/country, etc.) to the public, organize the elements that will be considered when making the draw, and put a high priority on fairness and objectivity. To use a computer software, and based on clear standards, form the draw in an open/public manner. EKO can provide the necessary programs and software.
- ④ Introduction of the Kata competition in the World Championship (Europe Region) Reason of Proposal: There are many competitors that wish for a Kata World Championship to be held. There needs to be a stage or tournament for such competitors. The WKO Referee Committee can make the rules for this competition/tournament.
- 7. The exchange between the Oyama family and the use of Sosai Oyama's name (Executive Director)
- 8. Report from WKO Office (WKO Office)
- The relocation of the office and the change in the commission fee, etc.
- 9. Miscellaneous

## Agenda for WKO General Assembly 2022

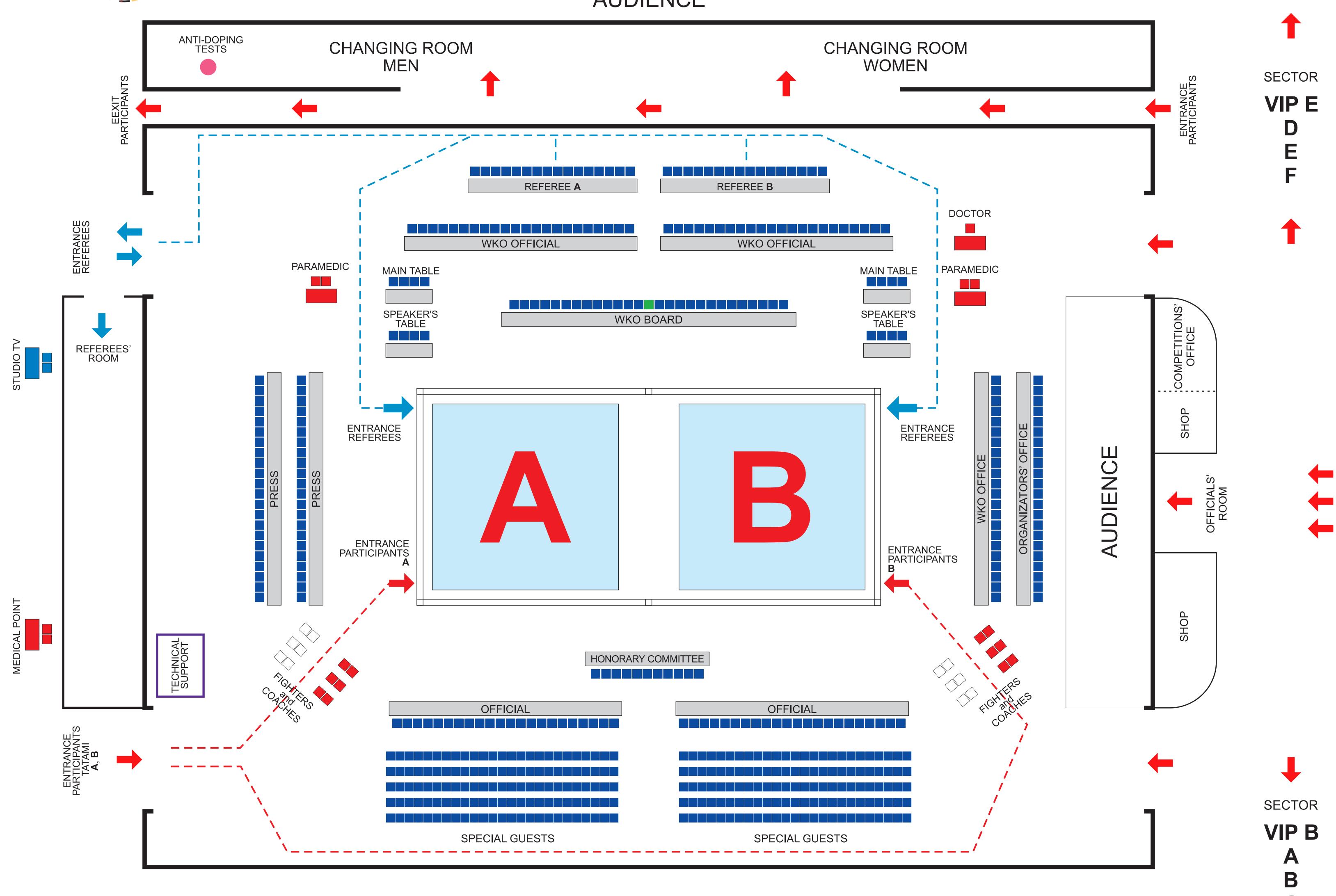
Date: September 26 (Mon.), 2022 10:00~15:00 (registration from 9:30) Place: Hotel Binkowski Meeting Room

- Message from the President
- · Selection and Approval of Chairman and Signatories to the Minutes
- 1. Confirmation of number of votes
- 2. Report of matters approved and proposed at the WKO Board Meeting
- 3. Report from each Committee
- 4. Report of final accounts and Auditor Report for Fiscal Year 2019 & 2020
- 5. Information of future world tournaments and events
- 6. Miscellaneous





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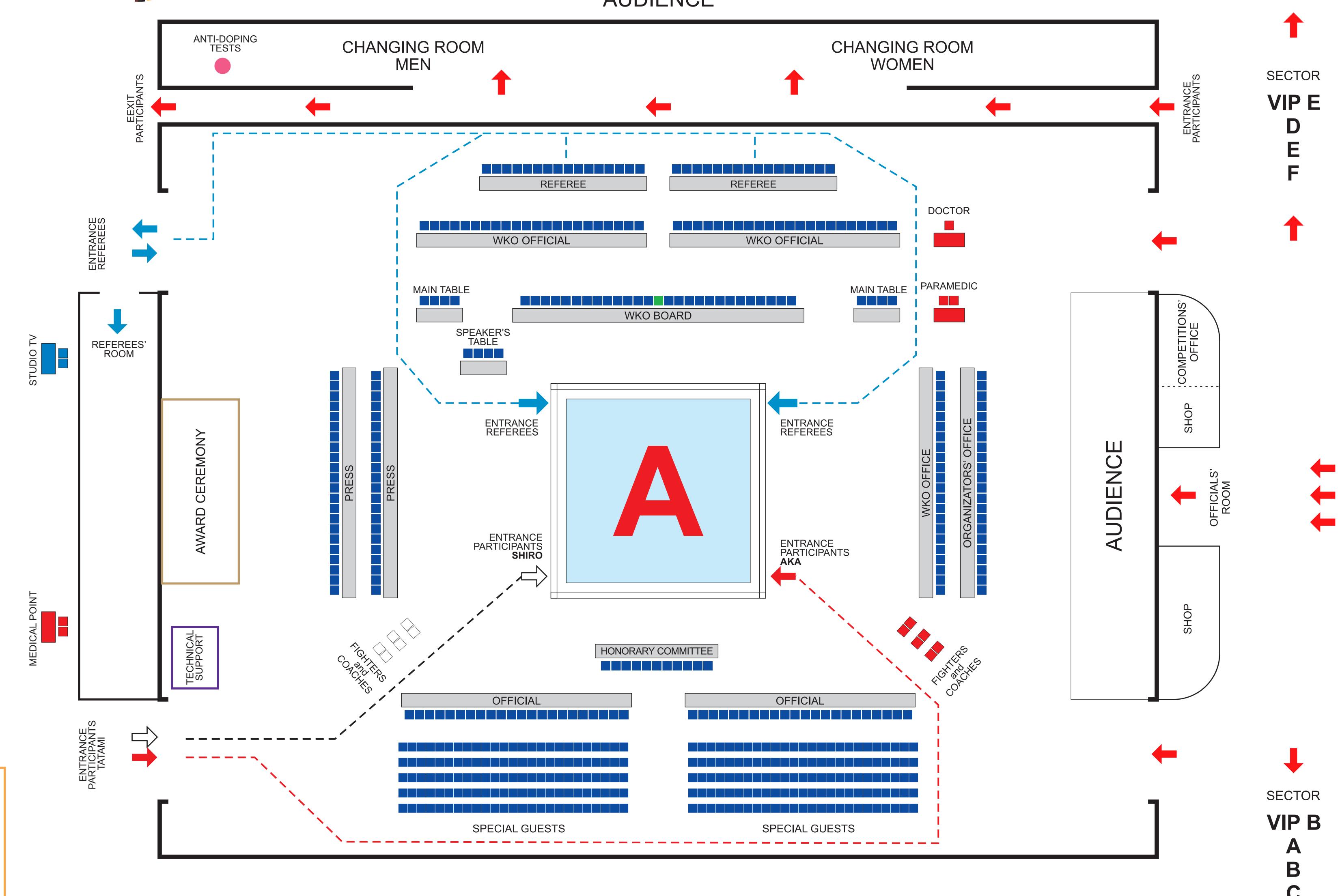
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