

XVIII EGKF EUROPEAN GOJU-RYU CHAMPIONSHIP

16. 09. - 18.09.2016

KIDS-CADETS-JUNIORS-SENIORS-MASTERCLASS

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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AUSTRIA**

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Steyr am Nationalpark

Steyr at the gates of the National Park, rich in culture, industry, nature and architecture, is a liveable and loveable small Upper Austrian town. Situated right at the confluence of the Enns and Steyr Rivers, the 1000-year old town, home to 38,000 people, is a true architectural gem. Houses dating back to various epochs harmoniously stand side by side in the historic Stadtplatz Square. The more than six hundred year old the gothic Bummerlhaus, the town's landmark, is situated right in the centre of this unique town square. The mighty Lamberg Castle towers above, built on the foundations of the Styraburg, the castle to which the town owns its foundation in 980 AD. The Steyr meadowlands, the town's local recreation area, provide an ideal setting for walking, jogging or a relaxing picnic. On hot days, the gravel shores along the Steyr River are gladly used as bathing beaches.

Steyr Town Experiences

Steyr, full of small-town charm and modern flair, uniting tradition with a stylish lifestyle, is the perfect place to meet people, enjoy culture and set out on adventurous explorations of the town and its environs. Enjoy cultural events, such as the Music Festival in the summer with open-air presentations in the Steyr Schlossgraben. Explore Steyr accompanied by night watchmen from the highest tower down into the deepest cellar or set out on spectacular high tech round trips riding a Steyr Segway. Listen to exciting stories and anecdotes about the 1000-year old Steyr history during experienced-packed walking tours, starting out at 2 pm every Saturday. The environs around Steyr are ideally suited for cycling tours. Ride an E-bike of the latest generation and join one of the many guided E-bike tours being offered with itineraries as far as the Reichraminger Hintergebirge Mountains.

Christkindl Town of Steyr

During the Advent season, the Christkindl Town of Steyr awakens the Christmas spirit with numerous unique attractions and events such as the 1st Austrian Christmas Museum with its museum train, the Steyr Kripperl or the Christkindl Pilgrimage Place with the world-famous Christmas Post Office to name just a few of the many exciting Christmas experiences. In the Steyr Christkindl region, during Advent, old customs and tradition play a very important role. A trip on the historic Steyr Valley Museum Railway which has been travelling to the Advent Calendar Village of Steinbach for more than 125 years will be a truly unforgettable experience.



PRESIDENT
OF THE WORLD GOJU-RYU KARATE FEDERATION
AND OF THE EUROPEAN GOJU-RYU KARATE FEDERATION
HUMBERTO NUNO DE OLIVEIRA



46 years ago, back in the 1970's, a young 27 year -old Goju-Kai Japanese Sensei, Takeji Ogawa, arrived in Vienna in order to bring and then to develop Goju-Ryu style in Austria (and thereafter also in Slovakia, then Czechoslovakia).

Just four years later he came to the city of Steyr where his Karate club was founded, and is still under his guidance (although in between he was the trainer of the Austrian National team between 1985 and 1992). Here he chose to live and to raise his family.

I met this Austrian father of Goju-Ryu back in 1991, during our championship in my hometown of Lisbon, and I was deeply impressed by this strong, humble, polite and very friendly man and also by the strong team he brought to our 5th championship, when we first discussed the constitution of our Federation (which was raised two years later in Kamen). A true example of a Goju-Ryu Sensei.

It will be a pleasure to be in his town and to meet him again, thanking him personally for his important role in the development of our style in Central Europe. This 18th EGKF Championship is the best homage we can pay him.

This 18th EGKF Championship, the biggest championship ever, organized in this ancient city of Steyr, raised in the meeting point of the two rivers Steyr and Enns, where the Traungau counts erected the fortress (were the Lamberg Castle and St. Michael's Church are nowadays) of Styraburg in 980. It is a major step for our organization including for the first time the categories for children, kids and youngsters and also people with disabilities - People with learning disabilities, blind & visually impaired and wheelchair -, one step ahead for an inclusive Karate, one major contribute we give to the Karate world and a major step forward to our federation.

For some months I have been in close contact with the organizer of the championships Erich Zeindhofer, dedicated to his Sensei (Ogawa Sensei), to our style and facing this event with passion and professionalism. I'm sure he will do his best for this event and that the success about to begin will prove it.

I wish all the best to this 18th EGKF Championships, one major step more for the growing of our organization, its unique characteristics and model importance.

Humberto Nuno de Oliveira



**PRESIDENT
OF THE AUSTRIAN KARATE FEDERATION
OAR GEORG RUßBACHER**



Dear Ladies and Gentlemen!

Dear Friends of Karate!

Between the 15th and the 18th of September 2016, the best Goju Ryu Karate athletes from all over Europe will meet in Steyr / Upper Austria.

However, such large-scale events is only possible with the help of volunteers for disposal. Therefore, my special thanks to all volunteers for their active involvement in this style direction European championship under the direction of ÖKB board member Erich Zeindlhofer. But my thanks also to the City of Steyr, the State of Upper Austria and the Ministry of National Defense and Sport for their support.

Finally, I wish all participants every success and a pleasant stay in Upper Austria in the town of Steyr and to all athletes a still exciting, successful and above all injury-free competition.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'GR' or similar initials.

Georg Rußbacher

President of the Austrian Karate Federation



**CHAIRMAN ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
EUROPEAN GOJU KARATE FEDERATION
ERHARD KELLNER**



The History of the European Goju Ryu Karate Federation is inseparably linked to the Austrian Karate history: The karatekas of the Austrian Karate Federation have been participating in the EGKF championships since the first event in 1983, providing 69 champions (17 Kata, 52 Kumite) and furthermore winning numerous medals in various disciplines.

Takeji Ogawa, a Japanese Karate trainer, brought Goju Style Karate to Austria. Shihan Ogawa, wearing 9th DAN, started at the HSV Vienna from 1970 to 73 finally finding his home in Steyr in 1974. Since then he has been working as trainer and coach in several Karate clubs, and also meeting his future wife.

One of his best-known students are Dr. Friedrich Gsodam (Jundokan Vienna) and Franz Katzlberger (Yuishinkan, Upper Austria).

Goju Ryu spread especially in the eastern parts of Austria. While Fürstenfeld put more emphasis on Kumite, St. Pölten (JKF Goju Kai) concentrated rather on the Goju Ryu Kata.

Takeji Ogawa was Trainer of the Austrian national team from 1985 to 1992. He was followed by Gerhard Jedliczka from Fürstenfeld, the most successful male Austrian fighter at EGKF Championships, who is now the Sports Director of the Austrian Karate Federation. He was triple heavy weight champion between 1985 and 1991 and also a member of the male Kumite team, winning 3 times.

The participation in special European Karate Style Championships is regarded an essential step in the development of a Karateka.

Furthermore Austria has also gained a reputation as an organizer of EGKF karate events:

After Fürstenfeld (2001 and 2013), St. Pölten (2004), Vienna (2005) and Graz (2010) now Steyr is hosting the Goju Ryu tournament.

I am convinced that the organizing team in Upper Austria will accomplish great title fights that people will gladly remember and I would like to thank Mr. Erich Zeindlhofer and Mr. Franz Katzlberger and their teams for their amazing commitment for the benefit of Goju Ryu.

Erhard Kellner



Shihan Takeji Ogawa 9. Dan Goju-Ryu

Shihan Ogawa has been Karate coach in Austria since 1970 – first in Vienna, then in Linz until Gerhard Oeller and Ortwin Breinbauer finally brought him to Steyr, offering him a contract at the Austrian Army Sports Association.

What an enormous chance for all the people who have always wanted to learn Karate in Steyr. Thousands of Karate students have attended his basic courses, trainings and seminars ever since.

In the period between 1985-1992 he also coached the Austrian National Team bringing the team to match the international level.

Ogawa San (9th Dan WKF) is a Grandmaster in various fields. His character is marked by courtesy, respect and modesty. He appreciates sophisticated but also humorous company.

The Goju Ryu EM takes place under the patronage of Grandmaster Shihan Takeji Ogawa.





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ACCOMODATION

Also very recommended Hotels:

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Web: www.mader.at

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4400 Steyr
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Web: www.styriahotel.at

For room booking please contact the Tourismusverband Steyr. You can find the contact on the next page. The Tourismusverband also provides a website for booking www.business-steyr.at/karate
We advise you to make your bookings as soon as possible to ensure room availability



ACCOMODATION - FORM

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service@business.steyr.info
www.business-steyr.at/karate

HOTEL RESERVATION FOR THE TEAMS

Team	
Contact person:	
Address:	
Place:	
Country:	
Phone:	
eMail:	

We would need: (please write the number of the requested rooms)

☐ Single room ☐ Double Room ☐ Tent place

	Price single room	Price double room
<input type="checkbox"/> 4-star hotel	€ 76,50 to € 96,50	€ 60,50 to € 77,50
<input type="checkbox"/> 3-star hotel	€ 52,- to € 60,-	€ 40,- to € 49,-
<input type="checkbox"/> 2-star Inn	€ 43,50	€ 35,- to € 38,50
<input type="checkbox"/> Youth hostel		
<input type="checkbox"/> Camping		

Prices are per person including breakfast, all fees and taxes.
The tourist board allocates the accomodation to the teams considering the requested category. The hotel will be announced at the confirmation.

Arrival: _____ Departure: _____

*The room allocation is limited. Please send your reservation
until 5th August 2016 to the tourist board.*

Date

Sign



ARRIVAL

PLANE

There are 3 major airports in the area: Blue Danube Airport Linz (37 kilometer), Vienna International Airport (216 km) and Salzburg Airport W.A. Mozart (135 km). These should cover everyone's route all over Europe and offer a great connection to Steyr by train or bus.

TRAIN

Austria offers a greatly developed network. For detailed planning and booking visit www.oebb.at/en/

BUS/CAR

The championship is in the Stadthalle Steyr, Kaserngasse 6, A-4400 Steyr. The Stadthalle offers an underground car park. Parking for cars is free during the whole championship. Parking space for busses is available before the Stadthalle and also in the streets surrounding the Stadthalle.

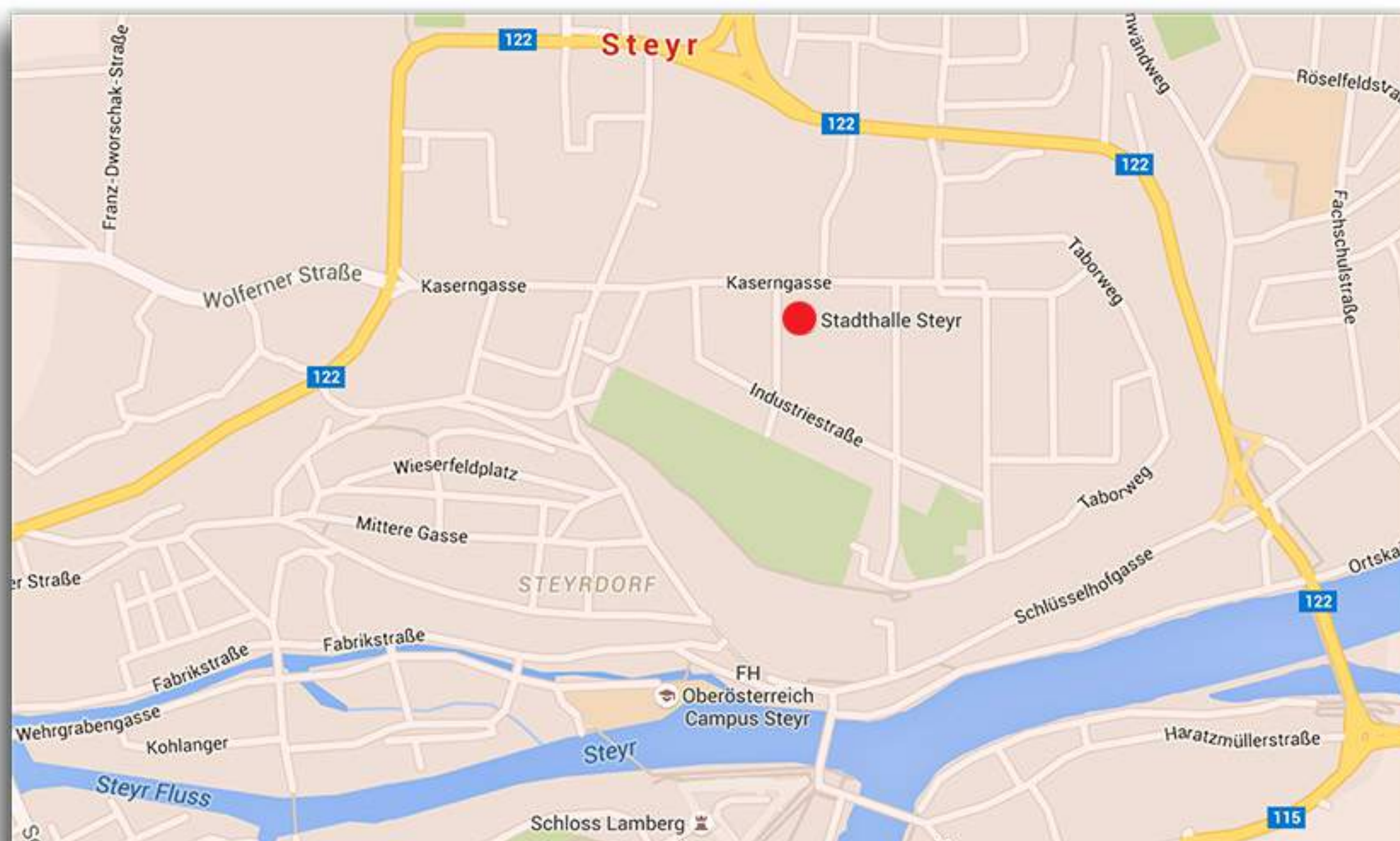
DATE

Thursday 15.09.2016 check-in, weighting, referee briefing & exam, EGKF congress

Friday - Sunday 16. - 18.09.2016 EGKF European Championship 2016

LOCATION

Stadthalle Steyr
Kaserngasse 6
A-4400 Steyr



PARTICIPANTS

- Individual: Each country may register up to TWO COMPETITORS in each category. Additionally, all title holders have the right to start in their last championship's winning category, as long as they meet age and weight limitations.
- Team: Each country may register ONE TEAM in each category.
- Age limits: Every athlete has to meet the age limitations the day they participate.

MODALITIES

INDIVIDUAL

CHILDREN (8 - 9 years)

Kumite Female -34; +34
Kumite Male -34; +34
Kata Individual Female up to 5th KYU
Kata Individual Female from 4th KYU up
Kata Individual Male up to 5th KYU
Kata Individual Male from 4th KYU up
Additional Kata allowed: Geki Ha Ichi and Ni, Fukyo Dai Ichi and Ni

KIDS (10 – 11 years)

Kumite Female -40; +40
Kumite Male -40; +40
Kata Individual Female up to 5th KYU
Kata Individual Female from 4th KYU up
Kata Individual Male up to 5th KYU
Kata Individual Male from 4th KYU up
Additional Kata allowed: Geki Ha Ichi and Ni, Fukyo Dai Ichi and Ni and San

YOUNG (12 – 13 years)

Kumite Female -40; -45; -50; +50
Kumite Male -40; -45; -50; +50
Kata Individual Female up to 5th KYU
Kata Individual Female from 4th KYU up
Kata Individual Male up to 5th KYU
Kata Individual Male from 4th KYU up

CADETS (14-15 years)

Kata female	Kumite female -47, -54, +54 Kg
Kata male	Kumite male -52, -57, -63, -70, +70 Kg

JUNIORS (16-17 years)

Kata female	Kumite female -48, -53, -59, +59 Kg
Kata male	Kumite male -55, -61, -68, -76, +76 Kg

SENIORS (Kata: from 16 years, Kumite: from 18 years)

Kata female	Kumite female -50, -55, -61, -68, +68 Kg
Kata male	Kumite male -60, -67, -75, -84, +84 Kg



MASTERCLASS

O30 Kata female (30 - 39 years)
O40 Kata female (from 40 years)
O30 Kumite female (from 30 years) -60, +60 Kg

O35 Kata male (35 - 44 years)
O45 Kata male (45 - 54 years)
O55 Kata male (from 55 years)

O35 Kumite male (35 - 44 years) -80, +80 Kg
O45 Kumite male (from 45 years) -80, +80 Kg



TEAM

KATA TEAM

Young Kata Team Female	(10-13 years)	3 Competitors
Young Kata Team Male	(10-13 years)	3 Competitors
No Bunkai necessary		
Juniors Kata Team female	(14-17 years)	3 Competitors
Juniors Kata Team male	(14-17 years)	3 Competitors
Seniors Kata Team female	(from 16 years)	3 Competitors
Seniors Kata Team male	(from 16 years)	3 Competitors
Masterclass Kata Team female	(from 30 years)	3 Competitors
Masterclass Kata Team male	(from 30 years)	3 Competitors

KUMITE TEAM

Cadets Kumite Team female	(14-15 years)	3 competitors + 1 substitute
Cadets Kumite Team male	(14-15 years)	3 competitors + 1 substitute
Juniors Kumite Team female	(16-17 years)	3 competitors + 1 substitute
Juniors Kumite Team male	(16-17 years)	3 competitors + 1 substitute
Seniors Kumite Team female	(from 18 years)	3 competitors + 1 substitute
Seniors Kumite Team male	(from 18 years)	5 competitors + 2 substitutes

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

INDIVIDUAL

SENIORS (from 16 years)

Kata Blind and visually impaired female
Kata Blind and visually impaired male
Kata Wheelchair User female
Kata Wheelchair User male
Kata Learning disabilities female
Kata Learning disabilities male

These categories are based on the WKF Disciplines and Kata rules.
Allowed are only the Katas of the Goju Ryu style.
Also allowed are compositions of Goju Ryu Katas.
Demonstrations of self composed Katas with Goju Ryu techniques are also allowed.

KUMITE BOUTS DURATION

INDIVIDUAL

Children, Kids	1 min
Youngsters	1,5 min
Cadets, Juniors, Masterclass	2 min
Seniors female	2 min
Seniors male	3 min

TEAM

Cadets, Juniors, Seniors female	2 min
Seniors male	3 min

RULES

Same as WKF-Rules; EXCEPTIONS:

Kumite - less than 3 participants in one category: this category will be merged with the next higher (if Not possible: the next lower) weight category.

Kumite - 3 participants in one category: Table-System/Round-Robin: Fighter A vs Fighter B, B vs C, A vs C
If tied after regular bout duration: Hikiwake (same as in Kumite Team)

Kata - less than 2 participants in one category: this category will be merged with the next higher (if not possible: the next lower) age category.

REFEREEING

Same as WKF-Rules. Each country should bring, at least, two EGKF or WGKF referees or apply them to the Referee Course.

PROTECTION

Same as stated in WKF-Rules article 2.8. - including body protection.
Only the models endorsed by the WKF will be allowed.

REGISTRATION

All competitors, referees, coaches and officials must register online using the online system on <https://www.sportdata.org/karate>

In case of any questions concerning the online registration please directly contact the sportdata software team via the email address office@sportdata.org

Clubs / teams / federations are responsible for the quality of the entered registration data. Changes of online registration data are possible until Sunday 4th of September 2016.

The official registration session will take place on Thursday 15th of September 2016 from 09:00 a.m. to 08:00 p.m. at the Stadthalle Steyr, Kaserngasse, A-4400 Steyr.

If changes are required during the official registration session because of incorrect, missing or new registration data, a fee of € 20 is charged for each change. At registration, accreditation cards will be issued with the participant's main data, a photograph and information about registered categories. The accreditation card must be worn at all times during the event.

Only members of national federations recognized by WKF are admitted to participate.



Please also note:

- All teams have to register their participants at the official registration session
- Only one responsible per team has to register the complete team
- All participants have to show their passports at the registration session

PARTICIPATION FEE

Individual fee: 30 Euro
Fee per team: 100 Euro
Fees have to be paid to:

Account holder: ASKÖ Karate Steyr
Reference: your country

IBAN: AT95 12000 00465810505
BIC: BKAUATWW

Note: Participants will have to show fee payment receipt at check-in before receiving ID-Cards.

CHECK-IN / WEIGHTING

Check-in and weighting will be done at the Stadthalle Steyr on Thursday, 15. September 2016, 14:00 - 20:00.

In case a competitor is below or beyond the expected weight, they will be disqualified immediately and no other competitor will be able to participate in their place. Furthermore no refund will be issued. Showing a national identity card or passport will be required during the weighting and all the competition.

Only registered competitors and officials will receive an ID-card at check-in, which grants access to the inner area.

For opening ceremony and awarding ceremony you will need to bring two national flags to the check-in.10.

DRAWING

Drawing will be done on Thursday night, as soon as the check-in-process is closed (20:00).

EGKF CONGRESS

The EGKF Congress will be held at Hotel Minichmayr, Haratzmüllerstraße 1-3, A-4400 Steyr on Thursday, 15. September 2016, 17:00 – 18:30.

MAJOR GREETING

On Thursday 15.09.2016 19.00 the EGKF Committee and the EGKF Referee Committee will be welcome by the mayor of Steyr Gerald Hackl at the Festsaal of the Rathaus, Steyr, Stadtplatz 27. It takes a walk of 10 minutes from Hotel Minichmayr to the Rathaus of Steyr.

REFEREE BRIEFING AND EXAMINATION

Theory and Exam	Thursday, 15.09.2016 09:00 - 12:00	Hotel Minichmayr
Practice and Exam	Thursday, 15.09.2016 13:00 - 16:00	Stadthalle Steyr
Referee's Briefing	Thursday, 16.09.2016 16:00 - 17:00	Hotel Minichmayr

Retraining course fee: 35 Euro
Graduation course fee: 100 Euro
Course fees have to be paid to the EGKF officials before the briefing.



VISA REQUIREMENTS

Entry visas and general information can be obtained from the following website:

<http://www.bmeia.gv.at/aussenministerium/buergerservice/pass-und-visum/visainformation-englisch.html>
http://www.bmi.gv.at/cms/BMI_Fremdenpolizei/visumspflichten/-files/EN_HP_BMI_Visaliste_15_3_2016.pdf

In case of visa problems please contact the organizer. The responsibility of verifying any or all information lies solely with the travelers.



GREAT EGKF EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP PARTY

Date: Saturday, 17. September 2016, 20:00

Location: Youth- and Culture Club Röda, Gaswerkasse 2, 4400 Steyr, www.roeda.at

Live-Music: FEINKOST www.feinkostmusik.com

Free entry with your accreditation card!

Drinks have to be paid direct at the Röda-Bar by the participants

CHANGELOG

