

# AIBA Youth Women's & Men's World Boxing Championships BUDAPEST 2018

# **Press Kit**





# **AIBA Interim President's message**



Dear boxing fans,

It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the Youth Women's & Men's World Championships which will light up in Budapest, Hungary on August 21-31 and will see our best youth women and men boxers compete for the title of World Champion.

AIBA has always looked to encourage more young men and women into our sport. We remain committed to providing a structure within

which athletes from all over the world can perform in their best abilities and fulfil their potential. We try to provide as many opportunities to those young talents, hoping they will be able to fulfil their dreams and experience the magic of boxing.

Following the successful 2016 Youth Men's World Championships in St Petersburg, Russia, and the 2017 Youth Women's World Championships in Guwahati, India, this edition will be an opportunity to see both genders in action. 2018 is a big year for the next generation as Budapest will be a first step for the potential stars who will be competing at the Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires in October, achieving one of all athletes' biggest dream: representing their country in an Olympic event.

The tournament will be ready to shine a light on the next generation of talented young female and male boxers from around the world, in the gorgeous city of Budapest. The brand-new Duna Arena, which was selected to host the battle for the medals, has already welcomed international athletes and fans from around the world during the FINA World Championships. This impressive venue is a sporting and entertainment facilities for thousands of people and I would like to thank the LOC for their hard work in staging this prestigious event for our youth boxers.

I look forward to sharing ten days of exciting boxing with you all here in Budapest.

Kind regards,

Gafur Rahimov

AIBA Interim President



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# 1. Facts around the AIBA Youth Women's & Men's World Championships

The 2018 Youth World Championships is a historical moment, as women and men will both feature in the same event for the first time since Sofia 2014. Across 10 days of action, Budapest will see the best 174 women and 244 men youth boxers in the World going toe-to-toe for the gold. Underlining the pedigree of the competition, previous winners include the two-times Olympic champions Robeisy

Ramirez of Cuba and USA's Claressa Shields, as well as France's Olympic and World champion Tony Yoka.

Both Youth World Champions in Guwahati in 2017, USA's Heaven Garcia (51 kg) and Russia's Anastasia Shamonova (75 kg) are some of the boxers you should not miss at the event. The young women have already an incredible record and are considered as one of the biggest hopes for their countries. On the men's side of the draw, 2018 Asian Youth Champion Atichai Phoemsap will have all eyes on him. The 60 kg boxer from Thailand won the price of best boxer of the Asian Confederation Youth Championships after some amazing bouts.



St Petersburg 2016 Youth Men's World Championships







# 2. Budapest 2018 Edition

#### a. Date and place

Event: AIBA Youth Men's & Women's World Championships

**Dates:** August 21- 31 **Place:** Budapest Hungary



Guwahati 2017 AIBA Youth Women's World Championships

## b. About Budapest

The capital of Hungary, Budapest, is a city which is both historic and modern and which is appreciated for its diversity in architecture and the contrast between Buda and Pest each situated in one side of the Danube river. The city was also the home of one of the greatest boxing champion, Lázló Papp, who was the first boxer ever to win 3 gold medals at the Olympic Games. One of Budapest's biggest multipurpose building was named in his honour.



Hungary's Lászlo Papp, 3-time Olympic Champion (1948, 1952, 1956)





#### c. The Venue - Duna Arena

Found right next to the Danube river, the brand-new Duna Arena was selected to host the battle for the medals. This impressive venue, which was designed by the architect Marcell Ferenc and constructed in line with the environmentally conscious and sustainable considerations, was host of the 2017 FINA World Championships and is a sporting and entertainment facilities for thousands of people.



#### d. The mascot





The Hungarian Grey bull and cow are a symbol of Hungary since the 9th century and just like our boxers, they symbolize fighting ability and endurance. They will keep an eye on all bouts of the new generation and entertain the home crowd in Budapest.

#### e. The Gömböc

With its unique design and first known homogenous object with one stable and one unstable equilibrium, the Gömböc is one of Hungarian exclusive inventions well-known worldwide and will be the symbol of the competition. Just like for our boxers, the Gömböc's strength is that it always gets back to its standing. It is a symbol of endurance, stamina and the dignified life of a sportsman and sportswoman and will be visible around the venue to highlight the merits of the young athletes.



#### f. Boxers

### The Tokyo 2020 generation

The boxers heading to Budapest will be pushing to become the next Olympic Champions. Some of them having won their tickets to the Youth Olympic Games will already be present at an Olympic event this year, while all of them are trying to make their way to Tokyo 2020 Olympics.





#### **Boxers to watch**

#### Attila Bernath (49 kg)

Hungary's Attila Bernath was in sparkling form in Italy a few months ago as he won the EUBC European Youth championships after being in the second place in 2017. The talented boxer will be one of the favorites in



Hungary with the crowd cheering for his home boxer.

#### Ivan Hope Price (52 kg)

Just like Hungary's Attila Bernath, England's Ivan Hope Price finally got the gold in the EUBC European Youth Championships in 2018, after his second place the previous year, and the British boxer will be looking for another prestigious gold in Budapest.

#### Abdumalik Khalokov (56 kg)

Uzbekistan's strong team will include 2018 Asian Youth champion and 2017 Asian Youth silver medalist Abdumalik Khalokov. The boxer will be one to watch as he has shown to be very consistent in the last couple of years.

#### Atichai Phoemsap (60 kg)

The boxer from Thailand was selected as the best boxer of the 2018 Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships after his perfect competition getting him all the way to the top of the podium underlining his current form and his potential to top the podium in Budapest as well.

#### Otha Jones (64 kg)

USA's Otha Jones was impressive in his continental Youth championships earlier this year as he came back home with the AMBC gold and will head to Hungary fully confident. He will be a key figure in what looks to be another strong USA Team pushing for medals in Budapest.

#### Ruslan Kolesnikov (81 kg)

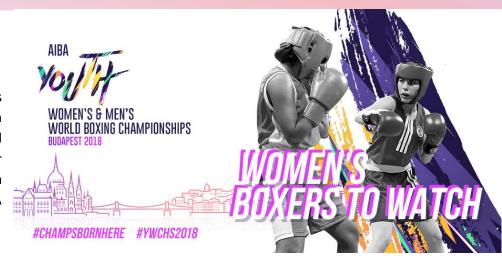
Russian Ruslan Kolesnikov was both EUBC European Youth Champion in 2017 and 2018 and will continue his impressive trajectory hoping to secure gold in Hungary and hoping to push for a Tokyo 2020 place.





#### Nitu (48 kg)

Indian southpaw Nitu was impressive last year as she won the Youth Women's World Championships in Guwahati. Her results this year prove she is for a back to back win at the AIBA Youth World Championships.



#### Heaven Garcia (51 kg)

Having taken up boxing at the age of eight, USA' Heaven Garcia heads to Hungary with an impressive record including a Junior and a Youth titles to her name. She will be a key figure in Budapest and she is definitively one's to watch.

#### Jessica Triebelova (57 kg)

Jessica Triebelova is one of Slovakia's biggest hopes at this year's Youth World Championships. The two-time EUBC European Women's Junior champion (2016 and 2017), won the EUBC European Youth Championships this year with some memorable performances.

#### Caroline Dubois (60 kg)

Just like Jessica Triebelova, England's Caroline Dubois has twice the title of EUBC European Women's Junior champion (2016 and 2017) and won the EUBC European Youth Championships this year. Her constant results could be an advantage as she will step up in the ring in Hungary full of confidence.

#### Anastasia Shamonova (75 kg)

Russia's Anastasia Shamonova produced some of the biggest results with both titles on Youth and Junior World Championships. Having also won two EUBC European Women's Youth Championships in 2017 and 2018, she will lead the Russian team and will try to top the podium in Budapest.





# g. Competition Schedule

Official Draw: August 20

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	Date	Phase	Session Time	Ring	Bouts	46-49	52	56	60	64	69	75	81	91	91+	W45-48	W51	W54	W57	W60	W64	W69	W75	W81	W81+	lenght (min
Day 1		Preliminaries	12:00	Α	14	6					8															210
	Tue Aug 21	Preliminaries	12:00	В	14	6		1			7															210
		Preliminaries	17:00	Α	8		8																			120
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Day 2	Wed Aug 22	Preliminaries	12:00	A	14			8					6													210
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Day 2		Preliminaries	17:00	A	16				8	8																240
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Day 3	Thrs Aug 23	Preliminaries	12:00	A	14							7				1				6						210
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Day 4	Fri Aug 24	Preliminaries	12:00	A	14	4		4	2				4													210
		Preliminaries	12:00	В	14	4		4	2				4													210
		Preliminaries	17:00	A	14				2	4	4	4														210
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Day 5	Sat Aug 25	Preliminaries	12:00	Α	14									4	4					2		4				210
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Day 6	Sun Aug 26	Preliminaries /QF	12:00	Α	14	2											4		4				4			210
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Day 8	Tue Aug 28	Semi-Finals	12:00	A	10	2		2		2		2		2												150
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Day 9	Wed Aug 29	Rest Day																								0
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Day 10	Thrs Aug 30	Finals	14:00	A	10	1		1		1		1		1		1		1		1		1		1		250
Day 11	Fri Aug 31	Finals	14:00	A	10		1		,		1		1		1		1		1		1		1		1	250
	Aug 31		24.00	# Men	277	28	31	33	32	32	31	30	27	17	16	17	27	16	23	28	17	15	16	5	3	# women
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Total Boxers 444

Legend Preliminaries (round of 1/32) Preliminaries (round of 1/16) Preliminaries (round of 1/8) Quarter-finals Semi-Finals Finals



# 3. Contacts on-site during the event

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