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ASOIF PRESIDENT RICCI BITTI IS TO PARTICIPATE IN AIBA VIRTUAL FORUM FOR EUROPE

The next AIBA Continental Forum for Europe will be held online on February 27th. The ASOIF President Mr. Francesco Ricci Bitti will participate in the event and make his presentation: Governance in Sport Organizations.

'The European continent is the leader in boxing development. To be the front runner is a huge responsibility to the whole world. I am positive that Europe will share its experience with other countries, and not only will the continent continue its progress but become a platform for global boxing development,' AIBA President Mr. Umar Kremlev said.



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The graphic features a stylized map of Europe in white, set against a background of vibrant, wavy bands in shades of orange, pink, and purple. The text 'AIBA VIRTUAL FORUM EUROPE' is prominently displayed in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters within a white rectangular frame.

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KENYA HELD AIBA FORUM IN AFRICA

AIBA President Mr. Umar Kremlev came for an official visit to Africa to take part in the AIBA Virtual Forum in Nairobi, Kenya. He met with representatives of the Ministry of Sports of Kenya, the National Olympic Committee of Kenya, and the President of the Kenyan Boxing Federation Mr. Anthony Otieno Ombok, as well as with the African Boxing Confederation (AFBC) President Dr. Mohamed Moustahsane who supported boxing development ideas.

'I am really happy to be in Africa, on the continent which has great potential for boxing development. There are a lot of talented boxers here, and we need to create the proper conditions for them to ensure they can show their best results. AIBA will provide help and support. All AIBA countries are important for us, and boxing development everywhere is our priority,' Mr. Kremlev declared.



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KIELCE TO HOST AIBA YOUTH MEN'S AND WOMEN'S WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS IN APRIL

AIBA Youth Men's and Women's Championships will take place in Kielce, Poland on April 10-24. The country confirmed its willingness to host the tournament as scheduled at the highest level and taking all safety measures.

'It is understandable that the global pandemic situation is of concern for everybody, but the Local Organizing Committee will have a full support of the Polish Government and Sports Ministry, which will allow the entrance of the participants without any restrictions. The only requirement would be the negative results of the COVID-19 test,' Mr. Kremlev claimed.



INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENTS IN EUROPE

The 72th International Tournament Strandja Memorial is taking place in Sofia, Bulgaria these days. In total, 220 boxers from 30 countries are participating. The finals are scheduled for February 27th.

Young boxers from seven countries, namely Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Finland, India, Russia, Ukraine and Uzbekistan, gained medals on the Adriatic Pearl international tournament in Bar, Montenegro.

One more prestigious tournament, 65th Bocskai Memorial, was held in Debrecen, Hungary with 22 nations participated. Eight countries, namely England, Finland, France, Hungary, Italy, Netherlands, Spain, and Turkey, claimed medals.

All the tournaments are conducted with the best possible safety measures.



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AIBA FORUM FOR OCEANIA IS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 5TH

The next AIBA Forum for Oceania will be held virtually on March 5th. All the Oceanian National Federations are invited to take part and communicate with the AIBA leadership, ask their questions and receive the updates on the reform process.



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THE BALKAN BOXING LEAGUE TO MOVE THE BALKAN BOXING FORWARD: PRESIDENT OF CROATIAN BOXING FEDERATION BONO BOŠNJAK

A solemn ceremony of signing the Declaration of the Balkan Boxing League foundation took place in Belgrade end of February. The meeting was attended by AIBA President Mr. Umar Kremlev and representatives of the national boxing federations of Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, North Macedonia, Slovenia, Croatia, and Montenegro. The goal of the League is to actively develop boxing in this region by joint efforts.

Croatian Boxing Federation President Bono Bošnjak was also present at the meeting and expressed his support for this initiative; he also emphasized that this year is special for the Croatian boxing, as it turns 100 years old.

'I am very pleased with the processes which are going on now. And such a union as the Regional League is a very important step for our countries and, of course, for the boxing in general. I want to support and congratulate the President of AIBA, who is making great efforts, carrying out reforms, pays so much attention to our region. We feel great support from him and are grateful for his work in promoting European and world boxing,' Mr. Bono Bošnjak added.



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MR. BRIAN LEWIS, THE PRESIDENT OF THE (TTOC) AND (CANOC) ABOUT GOVERNANCE TRANSFORMATION AND POST-COVID19 OPPORTUNITIES AT AIBA AMERICAN FORUM

AIBA Continental Forum for America, organized virtually this year because of the pandemic situation, was held on February 21st. Representatives of 36 countries attended the virtual session. Mr. Brian Lewis, the President of the Trinidad and Tobago Olympic Committee (TTOC) and Caribbean Association of National Olympic Committees (CANOC), delivered a speech about governance transformation and post-Covid-19 opportunities and challenges. During his online address to the federations, Lewis spoke about governance transformation and post-covid19 opportunities and challenges. According to a statement issued by AIBA, he stressed the importance of sport in society and the economy.

Lewis also underlined the importance of gender equity and the inclusion of women in key decision-making positions.



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NATIONAL ORDINARY ELECTIVE ASSEMBLY FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE FEDERAL OFFICE IN ITALY

National Ordinary Elective Assembly for the renewal of the federal offices in Italy for the four-year Olympic period 2021/2024 takes place in Fiumicino (Rome), February 27.

According to agenda, the Assembly will be opened with the voting of the Presidency Bureau of the Assembly, which will be followed by the Report of FPI President Vittorio Lai on the four-year period 2017-2020. Voting will take place for the election of the Federal President, the members of the Federal Council, the President of the Board of Auditors and the three full members and one alternate member of the Superior Court of Justice for the four-year Olympic period 2021-2024.

The election will be broadcast live on the Official Youtube Channel of the FPI (FPIOFFICIALCHANNEL).



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SPANISH BOXING FEDERATION RE-ELECTS ITS PRESIDENT

AIBA Board of Directors member Mr. Felipe Martinez Martinez was re-elected as President of the Spanish Boxing Federation.



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MR. AJAY SINGH RE-ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA

Mr. Ajay Singh was re-elected as the President of Boxing Federation of India, comprehensively defeating challenger Ashish Shelar in the polls which had an International Boxing Association (AIBA) observer in attendance. Singh, also the chairman of SpiceJet airlines, prevailed 37-27 in the elections.

'I am happy that the BFI has reposed faith in me. I hope to live up to the expectations and take boxing forward,' Singh said in a press conference after being elected.

'It is great credit to all of us that this election was conducted so peacefully. We are one family; we will work towards glory of our sport. Let there be no heartburn,' he added.



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MILOŠ BIKOVIĆ BECOMES THE FIRST AMBASSADOR OF THE AIBA MEN'S WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Famous Serbian actor Miloš Biković becomes the first Ambassador of the AIBA Men's World Boxing Championships which takes place in the city of Belgrade in November 2021. The appointment was declared at the meeting between the President of Serbia Mr. Aleksandar Vučić and the AIBA President Mr. Umar Kremlev with heads of the Balkan boxing federations.

Mr. Biković told that he admires the values of boxing as they are really close to the actor's ones.

'This year Serbia will host the AIBA Men's World Boxing Championships, this is an incredibly important event for our country and the whole world. When I was offered to become the Ambassador of the Championships, I realized that this, at first glance, an extraordinary decision has its logical explanation. Today boxing needs to be popularized, and I am happy to support the idea of combining culture and boxing because it is not only a sport discipline, boxing is really a special culture. And I, as a public figure, can draw the attention of people of all ages to the world of boxing, which develops such important character traits,' Mr. Biković added.



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