

20th WORLD KICKBOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS



BELGRADE 2015

October 24th - November 1st



LOW KICK | K1 RULES | KICKLIGHT



Dear WAKO friends,

It is my pleasure and great honor to invite You and Your Team to take part in the jubilee 20th WAKO World Championships in our kickboxing history. You can be sure that it will be organized the best way ever. The Serbian Kickboxing Federation has a lot of experience in organizing big championships.

I have organized together with my team four World Championships for juniors and seniors, two European Championships, one Mediterranean and seven Balkan Championships, many "Serbia Open" European Cups, WAKO PRO Grand Prix, more than 50 WAKO PRO events...

The World Championships 2001 was opened by the President of the Republic of Serbia Mr. Vojislav Koštunica and Prime Minister Dr. Zoran Đinđić. The World Championships for cadets and juniors 2010 was opened by the Prime Minister Mr. Ivica Dačić. The WAKO PRO Grand Prix was opened by the President of the Republic of Serbia Mr. Tomislav Nikolić.

This World Championships will be organized under the auspices of the Government of the Republic of Serbia, the Ministry of Youth and Sport, Serbian Olympic Committee, the Sports Association of Serbia and the City of Belgrade.

I look forward to see all of you in Belgrade.

Sincerely,

Prof. Borislav Pelević, Ph.D.
WAKO Vice-President
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WELCOME TO SERBIA!





Local Organizing Committee

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Liability

Serbian kickboxing federation, as organizer of the WAKO World Championships, will take no responsibility for any personal injury, loss or damage to your property arising out of participation and traveling connected to WAKO World Championships

Registration

Registration such as accreditation and weigh in will be done in the official hotel of WAKO World Championships, hotel "Crowne Plaza Belgrade", Vladimira Popovića 10, Belgrade.

Hotels

Hotel "Crowne Plaza Belgrade" - 4* hotel, www.ihg.com
Hotel "Srbija" - 3* hotel, www.hotelsrbija.com

Sports Hall

VENUE for elimination fights - "Pionir", www.tasmajdan.rs
VENUE for the first part of the finals - Gala Night - "Kombank Arena", www.kombankarena.rs

Entry fee

WAKO shall receive an entry fee for each competing team and/or competitor: Euro 60,00 per person and per division.
The total entry fee can be paid on the spot by the chief of the delegation in Euro cash at the moment of the accreditation, or in advance by wire transfer.

Please, read carefully all information, and if you need any further help, don't hesitate to contact us:

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ARRIVAL OF TEAMS AND MEETING POINT

All teams must arrive in Belgrade on Saturday, October 24 and not later than Sunday, October 25 (20:00 local time).

For those teams arriving by plane at Belgrade airport “Nikola Tesla”, we will provide a transfer from airport to the official hotel for registration and weigh in and then to the hotel according to registration.

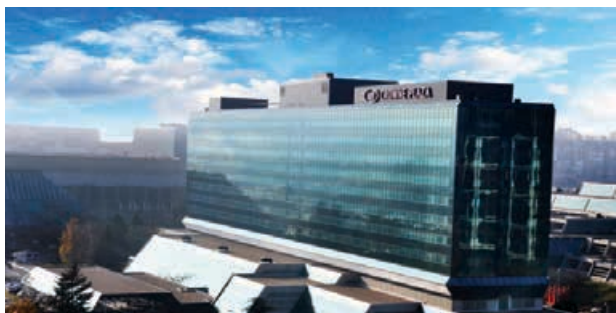
ACCREDITATION will be done in the official hotel of the Championships on the same day of arrival and weigh in.

OFFICIAL HOTEL of the Championships will be Hotel “Crowne Plaza Belgrade”, Vladimira Popovića 10.

ACCOMMODATION will be provided in 3 and 4 star hotels.

Hotel “**Crowne Plaza Belgrade**” is a superior 4* hotel located in New Belgrade. It has been fully renovated last year. It will be the official hotel of the Championships.

www.ihg.com



Hotel “**Srbija**” is 3* hotel located in old Belgrade.

www.hotelsrbija.com



All **WAKO** members attending the WAKO World Championships have to book their accommodation as early as possible **DIRECTLY** and **ONLY** to **SERBIAN KICK BOXING FEDERATION** office.

No Team will be accepted otherwise.

PAYMENT for accommodation according to previous booking can be done as follows:

In advance by wire transfer.

In **CASH (EUR)** upon arrival.

We have limited number of beds, so you have to make your reservation before September 15, 2015.

Hotel (bed + breakfast + dinner)	Single room	Double room	Triple room
3* “SRBIJA” (500 beds)	70 EUR	60 EUR	50 EUR
4* “Crowne Plaza” (800 beds)	90 EUR	70 EUR	60 EUR

Prices are intended per person per night and include half board, transfer from hotel to venue and vice versa during competition days and free entrance to SAYONARA PARTY!



TRANSPORTATION will be organized from and to the airport upon your request. Price will be 20 EUR per person both ways (airport-hotel-airport). Each National team will have hosts.

SCHUTTLE BUS will be provided by the organizing committee from hotel to Venue and vice versa few times a day during the Championships.

WEIGH IN

The official registration and weigh in of participating athletes will be done according to Official Program. The place will be "Impuls Hole", Vladimira Popovića 10, Belgrade. Saturday, October 24, 2015 (13:00 – 22:00) Sunday, October 25, 2015 (09:00 – 22:00) On Sunday, October 25 at 22:00 official weigh inn will be closed.

No Teams will be allowed to participate in the World Championships after this time.

INSURANCE

Serbian kickboxing federation and its associates or WAKO and its associates will not be responsible for any personal injury caused during Championships. All participants must have full insurance coverage of their own organization/country.

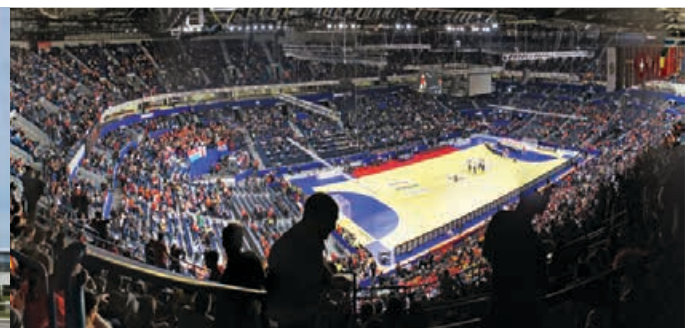
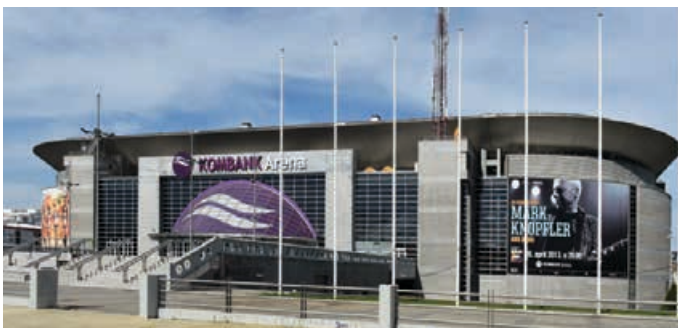
VENUE for elimination fights will be "Pionir". It is capable of containing 7.000 spectators. It has relaxing area, training area, conference area and competition area with three rings and three tatamies.

www.tasmajdan.rs



VENUE for the first part of finals – Gala Night will be "Kombank Arena", one of the largest and the best venues in Europe. It is capable of containing 20.000 spectators.

www.kombankarena.rs



SAYONARA PARTY will be organized for all members of each Delegation with no charge. For all WAKO Presidents and referees we provide some nice presents.





EVENT SCHEDULE

Date/Day	Time Start	Time Finish	What is going on?	Who is going on?
Friday October 23	20:00	23:00	WAKO Organizing Committee meeting	WAKO Organizing Committee members
Saturday October 24	13:00	22:00	Arrival, accreditations, athletes registration, weigh in, medical control	All participants
Sunday October 25	10:00	22:00	Arrival, accreditations, athletes registration, weigh in, medical control	All participants
	22:00	24:00	Registration Check Sheets for Coaches issued "Online"	WAKO Easy registration team to Coaches/Officials
Monday October 26	10:00	11:00	Registration Sheets Correction **NO CORECTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED AT DRAWING**	WAKO Easy registration team and Coaches/Officials
	09:30	12:00	International Referee Seminar (Ring Sports) **Note ALL referees must complete this course to be in a position to officiate**	WAKO Europe Refereeing Committee/National Referees
	12:00	15:00	International Referee Seminar (Tatami Sports) **Note ALL referees must complete this course to be in a position to officiate**	WAKO Europe Refereeing Committee/National Referees
	17:00	19:00	Drawing List + Mandatory Coaches meeting (Maximum three coaches per country)	Technical Director - WAKO Europe Organizing Committee / National Coaches
	20:00	21:00	Draw Sheets Issued **Online**	WAKO Organizing Committee
	20:00	23:00	Dinner/Banquet for WAKO presidents	WAKO Presidents + 1 official
Tuesday October 27	10:00	17:00	Qualifications	Athletes, coaches, referees
	18:00	19:00	Opening ceremony	All participants
	19:00	20:00	Qualifications	Athletes, coaches, referees
	20:00	23:00	WAKO Board Dinner	WAKO Board
Wednesday October 28			Weight Control (Ring Sports ONLY)	ONLY Athletes competing on that day
			Qualifications	Athletes, coaches, referees
Thursday October 29	07:00		Weight Control (Ring Sports ONLY)	ONLY Athletes competing on that day
	10:00	18:00	Qualifications	Athletes, coaches, referees
Friday October 30	07:00		Weight Control (Ring Sports ONLY)	ONLY Athletes competing on that day
	10:00	15:00	Semi Finals	Athletes, coaches, referees
	20:00	23:00	First part of finals – Gala night with live broadcast on National TV	Athletes, coaches, referees 12 finals
	21:00	23:00	Awarding ceremony	All Athletes in 12 finals, including bronze medalists
Saturday October 31	07:00		Weight Control (Ring Sports ONLY)	ONLY Athletes competing on that day
	10:00	18:00	The second part of finals and Awarding ceremonies	Athletes, coaches, referees
	20:00		Sayonara Party	All participants
Sunday November 01			Departure of All Teams	



Belgrade



BELGRADE is the capitol of the Republic of Serbia and with a population of just over 1.700.000 citizens, is the third largest city in Southeastern Europe after Istanbul and Athens. Belgrade is the city of young people. More than 40% of its citizens are between 15 and 44 years of age.

All citizens of Belgrade love to talk about the spirit of the city. Very opened, friendly and always ready for fun, many Belgraders will claim to be true hedonists – and many of them really are - knowing all there is to know about good food, wine and music. They like being in motion and therefore the streets, walkways, cafes and restaurants are always filled with people. Belgrade is growing every day into a true metropolis. More than a quarter of the population of Serbia lives there today! It is becoming ever more beautiful, orderly and clean, but also increasingly frantic, since life in Belgrade has been ever faster as it is in all big cities. The makeup of the population of Belgrade often changed during the past centuries. People from all over the Balkans and central Europe moved to it, and many departed under their own volition or under duress, but those that remained became Belgraders within a generation and seldom abandoned it without pressing need. More importantly, Belgraders like everyone and they are well known for their hospitality and friendship.



History



Belgrade is a city with a tumultuous, but also frequently tragic past, primarily due to its unique position at the confluence of the Sava and Danube rivers, on the border between the East and the West. Belgrade has been permanently settled since the mid Neolithic period, the time when its area played host to the Vinča culture, more than 4,000 years B.C.E. The Greeks came later, followed by the Romans who pushed the Celts across the Sava and Danube rivers. They built a mighty fort on the Kalemegdan ridge with a city next to it. From the Celtic dun and the Roman castrum the city grew into a significant border fortification of the Huns and then the Byzantine emperors Anastasius and Justinianus, the Avars, Bulgars, Ugars, Serbs, Turks and Austrians, until it became the capital of modern Serbia during the 19th century. The name Belgrade was first recorded in 878. Belgrade had around ten names in the past and each one almost always spoke of its beauty and whiteness. It was called Belgrad, Bello Grado, Alba Urbs, Alba Graeca, Griechisch Weissenburg, Nándor Fehérvár, Nándor Alba, Castelbianco. All these names are translations of the Slavic word Beograd. This city, living through and surviving numerous wars and destruction during the centuries, is one of the oldest cities in Europe.

It became the capital of the Serb medieval state during the reign of King Dragutin Nemanjić. During the reign of Prince Miloš, from 1841 onwards, Belgrade became the permanent capital of the Principality, and thereafter the Kingdom of Serbia. Following World War I, in 1918, it became the capital of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, and thereafter of the Kingdom of Yugoslavia. After World War II it regained its position as the capital of the country of Yugoslavia that changed its name a number of times, only to become, once again and finally, the capital of Serbia. Belgrade gradually grew from an oriental town into a modern mid-European city during the 19th century when the first electric light was switched on in Belgrade, the first train took off towards Niš from the Belgrade railway station, the first cobbled road in Belgrade, the first horse-drawn tram, water pipelines were installed in several streets in the city centre and also the first telephone rang, while the first cinema projection was held in 1896, a mere six months after the first projection by the Lumičre brothers in Paris. Belgrade had a population of 50,000 citizens and grew into a true European capital during the early 20th century. Unfortunately, it was bombed and demolished during World War I, and the same occurred in World War II, when the Nazi Luftwaffe turned a large part of the city to dust and rubble in 1941. The cycle was repeated in 1944 when the allied Anglo-American air force repeatedly demolished large parts of the city in addition to the few remaining German military facilities. Unfortunately, another round of destruction occurred in 1999 when the NATO Alliance air force destroyed several tens of residential buildings, administrative, communal and production facilities, communications, etc. All of these bombings left behind a large number of human victims, dead, buried in the rubble or wounded.



LOCATION

Belgrade is located in Southeastern Europe, on the Balkan Peninsula, at the crossroads of Eastern and Western Europe. The city lies upon the Danube River, the aquatic route connecting the countries of Western and Middle Europe to the countries of the Southeastern and Eastern Europe. Its harbor visits by ships from the Black Sea, and with the deployment of the Rhine-Main-Danube channel it found itself at the center of the most important aquatic route in Europe: Northern Sea – Atlantic – Black Sea. Due to its position it was rightfully named “Gates of the Balkans” and the “Doors of Middle Europe”. The coordinates of Belgrade mark in the center of the city (in Knez Mihailova Street): 44°49'14" of geographic latitude north, 20°27'44" of geographic longitude east and 116.75 m above sea level. The area around Belgrade consists of two different environments: the Pannonian plain to the north and Šumadija to the south. The Kosmaj (628 m) and Avala (511 m) mountains are near Belgrade. The length of riverbanks is 200 km, with 16 river islands, the largest being Ada Ciganlija and the Great War Island.



CLIMATE

The climate in Belgrade is moderate continental, with four seasons. Autumn lasts longer than spring, with longer sunny and warm periods. The winters are not particularly harsh. There are 21 days on average with temperatures below zero degrees centigrade during the winter. January is the coldest month, with average temperatures of 0.4 °C. Springs are brief and rainy, with summer arriving suddenly. The hottest months are July (21.7 °C) and August (21.3 °C). Belgrade and its surroundings experience an average of 684 mm of rainfall annually, and umbrellas are mostly in use during May and June. Sunlight is most plentiful in July and August with around 10 hours per day, while December and January are known to be the cloudiest. Snow is present in Belgrade for an average of 27 days per year.



LANGUAGE

The official language of Serbia is Serbian, member of the group of South Slavic languages. The Cyrillic script is in official use, while the Latin script is also widely used, since both are taught in schools. The Cyrillic of Serbian has 30 letters – one letter per each phoneme, making it unique among scripts. The language and scripts of national minorities are in official use in areas with minority populations. Foreigners are recommended to use English for communication, while German, French and Russian are present to a lesser extent.



TRAVELING TO BELGRADE



BY CAR

Belgrade is located at the intersection of the European **E-70** and **E-75** highways.

Foreign drivers in Serbia are required to have a national driver's license, traffic permit and an insurance policy.

Distance from Belgrade to European cities:

Amsterdam 1760 km, Athens 1090 km, Vienna 621 km, Berlin 1489 km, Bern 1361 km, Brussels 1702 km, Budapest 383 km, Bucharest 619 km, Istanbul 928 km, Copenhagen 2018 km, London 2073 km, Ljubljana 528 km, Munich 1020 km, Moscow 2211 km, Oslo 2577 km, Prague 901 km, Rome 1280 km, Sarajevo 325 km, Skopje 440 km, Sofia 380 km, Thessaloniki 700 km, Stockholm 2622 km, Warsaw 1115 km, Zagreb 390 km

Road Toll

Passenger vehicles with foreign license plates pay road tolls on the following highways: E-70 Subotica – Novi Sad, E-75 Novi Sad – Belgrade, E-70 Šid – Belgrade, E-75 Belgrade – Niš and E-75 Niš – Leskovac.

Insurance

The green card, an international certificate, serves as evidence to confirm the existence of insurance against the responsibility for damage inflicted upon third parties abroad. Motorized tourists with vehicles bearing foreign license plates with no green card are obliged to purchase local insurance with insurance companies when entering Serbia, at the border crossing.

Certain petrol stations along the main traffic routes and in major cities operate non-stop, every day.

All types of local or foreign fuel and motor oils can be purchased at nearly all major petrol stations.



BY TRAIN

"Serbian Railways" provide for the following commercial discounts: Inter Rail, Euro Domino, Railplus, Balkan Flexipass, Easy Travel Card, Euro<26, City Star and the Unified Balkans Tariff.

Serbian Railways, Nemanjina 6, tel. +381 11 36 16 722, www.zeleznicesrbije.com

Additional possibilities are provided by Eurail.Com and can be found on: www.eurail.com
www.interrail.eu



BY PLANE

The "Nikola Tesla" airport in Surčin is located 18 km from the center of Belgrade. Flight information can be obtained by telephone, at **+381 11 20 94 444** or through the www.beg.aero website.



BY BUS

Belgrade Bus Station Železnička 4, operator **+381112644455**, fax **+381112659480**, www.bas.rs
Tickets are sold: 00-24h

Information and reservation

Local lines: **+381112636299**, **+381112623170** (05.30-22.00h)

International lines: BAS tourist, Železnička 4, Tel. **+381112627146** (07-00h)

BAS tourist, Maršala Birjuzova 2, Tel. **+381112622526** (08-20h)



USEFUL INFORMATION

CITY PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Belgrade city public transport is provided through a network of bus, trolleybus and tram routes run by GSP "Beograd" and bus services operated by private bus companies, on around 130 routes.

Single tickets can be bought:

- In public transport vehicles, from the driver or conductor
- At kiosks marked with a ticket sales sticker
- At GSP points-of-sale

BusPlus Info / public transportation in Belgrade

BusPlus system applies to all public transport vehicles (GSP, private carriers, Lasta and Bg Voz).

Types of tickets:

- * Personalized e-tickets (similar to the current prepaid pass), which contains the name and the user's photo
- * Depersonalized electronic tickets (paper or plastic) that is not issued to passenger's name but a certain number of rides

Tickets should be validated on machines installed in all vehicles. Also machines are announcing the current stop and the next one so you could more easily use the Belgrade public transportation.

Depersonalized tickets

Depersonalized electronic tickets cost 250 RSD; they are rechargeable, and are valid for the period of three years.

Paper cards (most suitable for tourists)

If you are not frequent user, you should buy a paper card which costs 40 dinars. It's valid for three months and could be charged a maximum of 657 RSD.

Single ticket card:

- 73 RSD (for 1st or 2nd public transportation zone)
- 150 and 170 RSD (for 1st or 2nd public transportation zone)
- 114 dinars (for 1st and 2nd public transportation zone electronic card)

Group Card:

Also, you will be able to purchase a group ticket, if having enough "credit" on your depersonalized card. On the display in a vehicle, you should select "Grupna karta" (Group ticket), choose the number of persons whom you are buying a ticket to, and validate your card. In the bus ticket price is 145 dinars and 205 for 2nd zone

Night public transportation:

The two zones tariff system is applied here and these are the prices for daily transport (from 04.00 to 24.00). During nighttime, buses run at 1-hour intervals from 00:10 to 02:10 usually from special stops at the Republic Square towards other parts of the city. The night fare is 145 dinars (1st or 2nd Zone) and 205 dinars (1st and 2nd Zone). Tickets are ONLY available in the bus.

Also, charging all cards is possible on the Stampa, Futura newspaper stands, many shops across the city or in the Tourist Info Center (Add: Knez Mihailova street no.5).

Free of charge transport

The right to fare-free transportation without a transit ITS ID card (regardless of place of residence in the territory of the Republic of Serbia) is gained by the following categories of users:

- Children under the age of 7,
- Uniformed police officers,
- Uniformed soldiers undertaking the regular military service

Belgrade City Transport Company

www.gsp.co.rs



CURRENCY

The official tender in Serbia is dinar, abbreviated RSD. Money may be exchanged in all banks and post offices, as well as in authorized exchange offices. Dinar is issued in denominations of 10/20/50/100/200/500/1000/5000.

The current exchange rate may be checked on the website of the National Bank of Serbia

TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

The area code for Belgrade in national traffic is 011

The area code for Serbia in international traffic is 381. To call Belgrade from abroad please dial the appropriate international code, e.g. 00, then dial the area code for Serbia 381 and the area code for the city (without the initial 0)11. To call a foreign country from Belgrade, please dial the international code 00, then the country area code, the city area code (without 0) and, finally, the telephone number of the subscriber.

Public Telephone Booths

Public telephone booths (Halo govornice) are activated by Halo cards worth RSD 200 or 300, each offering a free call credit of RSD 15. The sales price is written on the card, which is also the value of the credit for making calls. Halo cards may be purchased at kiosks, post offices and in retail stores.

BANKS AND CARDS

Cash may be taken from ATMs installed in all major malls, bank branch offices and in public places 365 days in a year, 24 hours a day. Cell phone, e-cards and Internet cards may also be purchased in some of these places.

TAXI

The passenger is only required to pay for taxi services according to the current price list and for the amount indicated by the taxi meter at the end of the journey. Negotiating a price for taxi services, where the taxi meter is not switched on, is not recommended, especially at the airport.

The cost of the taxi ride also includes the transport of the passenger's personal baggage. Personal baggage includes travel bags and suitcases not exceeding 20 kg in weight per passenger and 50 kg in total, in the event that there are several passengers.

TIME-ELECTRICITY-WATER

TIME ZONE

Belgrade and Serbia are located in the Central European time zone region – GMT +1 and/or GMT +2 as of the last week in the third month until the Saturday prior to the last week of the tenth month.

ELECTRICITY

As in most cities of Continental Europe, the electricity voltage in Belgrade is 220V. Electrical outlets are standard European.

WATER

Tap water in Belgrade is safe to drink.

WHAT TO DO IN BELGRADE

All Touristic information and offers on the beautiful city of Belgrade you can find on the web page of the Touristic Organization of Belgrade.

www.tob.co.rs

Belgrade is very famous for its night life and it has been city very often visited by many young people from all around the World looking for fun and good night life. Belgrade offers a huge number of restaurants, cafes, clubs. All information you can find on:

www.belgradeatnight.com





SERBIA –

Country of Kickboxing

SERBIA



Serbian kickboxing federation was awarded as National sport federation of year 2012 Biggest sport award in Serbia "Majska nagrada" received by Mr. Borislav Pelević, President of Serbian kickboxing federation

Serbia had always been a country of kickboxing sport and one of the important members of WAKO in its long history.

National federation since 1990 has always been led by Mr. Borislav Pelević and in great and honorable history, we have been passed a long way to achieve place we have now in Serbia and World. We had hard and difficult, but also much more glorious moments in our history. For a long time we are National federation recognized by both National Olympic Committee and Ministry of sport of Republic of Serbia.

We have promoted many WAKO events in the last 25 years such as WAKO European Championships 1996, 2004, WAKO World Championships 2001, 2007, 2010, several times Balkan and Mediterranean Championships, WAKO PRO World Grand Prix quarter final and final and many, many amateur and pro events.

For our achievements we have been rewarded as a National federation of the year 2012 by Sport Union of Serbia with the biggest sport reward in Serbia "Majska Nagrada".

This prestigious reward was also given to our Athletes Dragan Jovanović, Nenad Pagonis, Miloš Anić and Ljubo Jalovi, our long time coach and Sport Director Mr. Miodrag Jotić and also to our President Mr. Borislav Pelević for his hard work and leadership of the Serbian kickboxing federation.



Opening ceremony of WAKO World Championships 2007



Opening ceremony of WAKO World Cadet and Junior Championships 2010. Opened by Prime Minister of Republic of Serbia, Mr. Ivica Dačić



Opening ceremony of WAKO World Cadet and Junior Championships 2010



WAKO officials during WAKO PRO World Grand Prix quarter-final Serbia vs Greece in Belgrade on March 05, 2011

We are very proud of our work and achievements and also on our contribution to the development of sport of kickboxing and WAKO Worldwide.

World Championships in Belgrade 2001 was officially opened by prime minister Mr. Zoran Đinđić, 2007 by the President of NOC Mr. Ivan Ćurković, 2010 by Prime Minister Mr. Ivica Dačić. WAKO Delegation participated on WAKO PRO Grand Prix final held in Belgrade on June 2012 was also hosted by the President of Republic of Serbia, Mr. Tomislav Nikolić.

All big WAKO events, we have promoted have always been broadcasted live by National Television.

We have always been known as good hosts and great promoters.

We can guarantee to ALL of you that next WAKO World Championships will be one of the best organized and promoted.



President of Republic of Serbia, Mr. Tomislav Nikolić with WAKO delegation during WAKO PRO World Grand Prix final Serbia vs Russia in Belgrade on June 12, 2012



WAKO PRO World Grand Prix Champions - National Team of Serbia

*Looking forward
to see all of you
in Belgrade!*