

2019 Annual Report



Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation

Introduction

Since 2016, the Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation (THF) empowers refugees and displaced persons worldwide by training them in the sport and martial art of taekwondo, using the sport of taekwondo as a rehabilitation and empowerment tool in various projects around the world.

Many refugees are in poor physical and mental health, having gone through traumatizing events such as war or persecution, forcing them to flee their home country. Regular taekwondo training sessions help improve the physical fitness of refugees whilst also developing their self-belief and confidence. In fact, taekwondo teaches to all practitioners a comprehensive philosophy that includes universal values of discipline, respect, tolerance, team spirit and transcendence. The practice of taekwondo can thus improve displaced persons' quality of life in refugee camps or host countries and increase their prospects as global citizens.

Taekwondo is a great option for sport for peace and development activities, as it is easily deployable, delivers an essential physical fitness program, and provides important sporting values. Furthermore, taekwondo is one of the most inclusive and accessible combat sport, combining the values of an ancient Asian heritage with the values of a global elite sport. THF's curriculum also focuses on Olympic values and World Citizenship principles, transmitting a spirit of internationalism and cooperation across all barriers – gender, age, language, colour, creed. Finally, for the displaced persons who can resettle in new countries, the martial art provides them with an immediate social network through the strong ties of the global taekwondo family, while those with black belts will have a marketable skill.

This year, THF takes a different dimension by inviting other International Sport Federations to give sport lessons in the Humanitarian Taekwondo Centre, in Azraq camp, Jordan. In the Centre, refugees' children can either attend taekwondo or wrestling (thanks to the kind cooperation of UWW – United World Wrestling) activities.

Governance

THF is recognized by the Swiss Federal Department of Home Affairs as a non-profit Foundation of public entity, under Swiss law (Civil Code, Art. 80 ff). It has been placed under the surveillance of the Swiss Foundations Supervisory Authority, to which THF report on a yearly basis.

The foundation is governed by a Board of Trustees. On December 31, 2019 the Board of Trustees was composed of the following members :

- Chung Won Choue, Chairman, with collective signature
- Anna Panka André, Member, with collective signature
- Jean-Marie Ayer, Member, with collective signature
- Luc Reychler, Member
- Giovanni di Cola, Member
- Claude Marshall, Member
- Myriam Baverel, Member
- Lu Dezhi, Member



- Maher Magableh, Member
- Richard Barnor, Member

Mr. Kim Jong-Il is the appointed Internal Auditor of the Board. The foundation’s official External Auditor is Decimus Sàrl, based in Epalinges, Switzerland.

Additional voluntary consultancy is offered by friends of the Foundation around the world, all committed to strengthening THF’s operations and reach, while convinced of the benefits of taekwondo for refugees.



Roles and responsibilities have been assigned as follow :

- Mr Chung Won Choue, Chairman
- Mrs Anna Panka André, legal
- Mr Jean-Marie Ayer, education
- Mr Luc Reychler, education
- Mr Giovanni di Cola, International Federations and NGOs Cooperation and Partnership
- Mr Claude Marshall, UNHCR link
- Mr Lu Dezhi, fundraising
- Mr Maher Magableh, treasurer and fundaraising
- Mr Richard Barnor, Advisor for academy construction
- Mrs Myriam Baverel, technical education

Since its creation, the Foundation has been sharing office space with World taekwondo's Lausanne branch, though both organisations work independently (legally, financially and in terms of management).

Four THF Board meetings were held on January 15th 2019, on April 10th 2019, on June 22nd 2019 and on November 10th 2019.

Financial Information

The financial figures below are audited annually by an independant and esteemed auditor according to Swiss law.

It was a challenging year for the foundation as our fundraising activities were slow down because of an internal turnover (staff and THF board members).

However, decisions taken by THF board stabilized the 2019 accounts while keeping the three main projects running in Rwanda, Jordan and Turkey.

Here is an extract of our audit firm, Decimus :

Report of the statutory auditor on the limited statutory examination
to the Board of Trustees of Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation

As statutory auditor, we have examined the accompanying financial statements (balance sheet, income statement and notes) of Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation for the year ended December 31, 2019.

These financial statements are the responsibility of The Board of trustees. Our responsibility is to perform a limited statutory examination on these financial statements. We confirm that we meet the licensing and independence requirements as stipulated by Swiss law.

We conducted our examination in accordance with the Swiss Standard on the Limited Statutory Examination. This standard requires that we plan and perform a limited statutory examination to identify material misstatements in the financial statements. A limited statutory examination consists primarily of inquiries of company personnel and analytical procedures as well as detailed tests of company documents as considered necessary in the circumstances. However, the testing of operational processes and the internal control system, as well as inquiries and further testing procedures to detect fraud or other legal violations, are not within the scope of this examination.

Based on our limited statutory examination, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that the financial statements do not comply with Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation.

2019 Assets and Liabilities

Balance Sheet as of 31 December (in CHF)

ASSETS	2019	2018
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	66 693,60	107 432,78
Other current assets	0,00	1 694,43
Support Program (August to December 2019) to be received	41 402,65	0,00
Prepaid expenses	373,30	978,30
Total current assets	108 469,55	110 105,51
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Balance Sheet as of 31 December (in CHF)

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	2019	2018
Current liabilities		
Accrued liabilities	12 864,80	10 213,65
Total current liabilities	12 864,80	10 213,65
Total liabilities	12 864,80	10 213,65
Equity		
Capital	50 000,00	50 000,00
Net accumulated surplus beginning of the year	49 891,86	128 447,05
Net surplus/(deficit) for the year	-4 287,11	-78 555,19
Total equity	95 604,75	99 891,86
Total liabilities and equity	108 469,55	110 105,51

2019 Profit and Loss

(in CHF)

		2019		2018
Donations	100,00%	86 393,30	100,00%	66 260,65
<i>Donations received</i>	52,08%	44 990,65	100,00%	66 260,65
<i>Annual support program</i>	47,92%	41 402,65	0,00%	0,00
Income	100,00%	86 393,30	100,00%	66 260,65
Operating expenses	-108,39%	-93 639,53	-375,24%	-248 639,02
<i>Salaries and social charges</i>	-17,03%	-14 711,93	-15,35%	-10 169,45
<i>Projects costs</i>	-54,04%	-46 685,25	-295,09%	-195 526,08
<i>Professional fees - legal, accounting</i>	-27,81%	-24 028,35	-31,58%	-20 926,01
<i>Travel and representation costs</i>	-9,51%	-8 214,00	-19,21%	-12 726,62
<i>Communication and promotion</i>	0,00%	0,00	-14,02%	-9 290,86
Operating result	-8,39%	-7 246,23	-275,24%	-182 378,37
Total other income/expenses, net	3,43%	2 959,12	1,36%	899,66
Exchange loss	-1,65%	-1 424,21	0,00%	0,00
Exchange gain	0,00%	0,00	4,99%	3 305,87
Other financial expenses	-0,15%	-127,47	-3,26%	-2 163,31
Extraordinary income	5,22%	4 510,80	0,00%	0,00
Extraordinary expenses	0,00%	0,00	-0,37%	-242,90
Net deficit before attribution	-4,96%	-4 287,11	-273,89%	-181 478,71
Dissolution to the Jordan Project	0,00%	0,00	155,33%	102 923,52
Net deficit	-4,96%	-4 287,11	-118,55%	-78 555,19

	2019		2018	
Jordan project	-27,88%	-24 088,80	-220,46%	-146 076,93
Third parties costs	0,00%	0,00	-2,76%	-1 830,60
Staffing (not subject to AVS)	-24,95%	-21 553,45	-17,85%	-11 829,41
Equipment	-2,93%	-2 535,35	-22,78%	-15 094,13
Transportation	0,00%	0,00	-5,59%	-3 706,06
Communication	0,00%	0,00	-0,14%	-89,50
Servicing fees	0,00%	0,00	-150,02%	-99 407,04
Travel and representation expenses	0,00%	0,00	-21,06%	-13 951,66
Other expenses	0,00%	0,00	-0,25%	-168,53
Refugee Athlete Carrer Support Program	0,00%	0,00	-3,89%	-2 577,72
Competition support fees	0,00%	0,00	-3,89%	-2 577,72
Education	0,00%	0,00	-4,63%	-3 065,83
Production costs	0,00%	0,00	-0,38%	-251,91
Travel and representation expenses	0,00%	0,00	-4,25%	-2 813,92
Rwanda project	-18,61%	-16 078,10	44,81%	-29 691,81
Staffing (not subject to AVS)	-18,61%	-16 078,10	-31,84%	-21 095,78
Equipment	0,00%	0,00	-0,82%	-542,18
Transportation	0,00%	0,00	-5,73%	-3 795,27
Communication	0,00%	0,00	-1,96%	-1 301,23
Administration	0,00%	0,00	-4,46%	-2 957,35
Turkey project	-6,96%	-6 014,70	-13,39%	-8 872,06
Staffing (not subject to AVS)	-6,96%	-6 014,70	-13,39%	-8 872,06
Djibouti project	-0,58%	-503,65	-4,12%	-2 727,98
Staffing (not subject to AVS)	0,00%	0,00	-1,51%	-999,80
Travel and representation expenses	0,00%	0,00	-2,61%	-1 728,18
Other expenses	-0,58%	-503,65	0,00%	0,00
Niger project	0,00%	0,00	-3,79%	-2 513,75
Staffing (not subject to AVS)	0,00%	0,00	-2,68%	-1 774,41
Equipment	0,00%	0,00	-0,15%	-98,58
Transportation	0,00%	0,00	-0,97%	-640,76
Total projects costs	-54,04%	-46 685,25	1401,45%	-195 526,08

WT cash and value in kind contribution

WT-THF Service Level Agreement is being prepared to formalise the services that WT provides for THF.

These includes :

- WT Lausanne Office staff : Management and operational tasks :
- Use of WT Lausanne office space :

They are estimated at CHF 90'000 as a contribution-in-kind from World Taekwondo.

In addition, WT budgeted USD 125'000 of payments in 2020 to cover operations of THF related to the empowerment of refugees as WT mission doesn't encompass this field.

Good governance

« Building on solid governance structures and processes is a key part of THF development. »

In 2019, THF worked continuously on strengthening its good governance and integrity by including transparent and democratic decision-making process in the projects supported and coordinated by THF.

THF Board of Trustees approved a document « Grant support » which describes the process from the project submission to approval.

Furthermore, THF Board of Trustees approved THF financial guidelines with the aim to have more transparency and democratic decision-making related to finance matters.

THF remains committed to strong governance quality and will work more on this field in the coming years.

Targeted UN SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals)



THF is contributing to the UN Global Agenda 2030 by sustaining and implementing SDG through THF policies and projects.

Our actions in the world

KEY FACTS
Azraq, Jordan
100 children trained per week
Ongoing since April, 2016
9 black belts
4 weekly training sessions





KEY FACTS

Mahama, Rwanda
 150 children trained per week
 Ongoing since April 2017
 2 local instructors
 5 weekly training sessions



KEY FACTS


 Kiziba, Rwanda


 82 children trained per week


 Ongoing since April 2017


 2 local instructors


 5 weekly training sessions



KEY FACTS



Kilis, Turkey



1000 children trained per week

2 local instructors

18 weekly training sessions



Djibouti

THF worked and planned a lot with the Djibouti Taekwondo Federation the last months, meeting them in Manchester during the World Championships and in Doha during the last ANOCA meeting. Unfortunately, due to internal political situation, Djibouti Taekwondo Federation asked THF to postpone the project implementation to the beginning of next year.

New Partnership in 2019

In 2019, THF signed MoU with four International Sport Federations :

- **IJF**, International Judo Federation, Memorandum of Understanding signed on May 15th 2019.
- **FIH**, International Hockey Federation, Memorandum of Understanding signed on June 23rd 2019
- **IFMA**, International Federation of Muaythai Amateur, Memorandum of Understanding signed on July 27th 2019
- **FIAS**, International Sambo Federation, Memorandum of Understanding signed on August 30th





Aspire 2gether 4 Peace with THF/WT and UWW

THF and the United World Wrestling hosted the first ever joint Olympic sport training event, named Aspire 2gether for Peace, in the Azraq camp in Jordan.

The joint event is a tangible outcome of the landmark Memorandum of Understanding signed between THF, WT and UWW. The Aspire 2gether for Peace event, sees UWW unite with WT and THF to deliver wrestling training to refugees at the existing Humanitarian Taekwondo Centre.

The event was attended by a senior delegation from all three delegations including WT President, Olympic gold medalists and THF/WT Ambassadors, Wu Jingyu (CHN) and Ahmed Abu Ghaush (JOR), and Olympic medalists and UWW Ambassadors, Arsen Julfalakyan (ARM) and Clarissa Chun (USA). IOC Executive Board member HRH Prince Feisal Al Hussein attended on IOC President's behalf and 6 UNHCR delegates attended the event on Filippo Grandi's behalf.





THF/ITTF visits in Taekwondo Humanitarian Centre



Between November 8th to 11th 2018, ITTF (International Table Tennis Foundation) visited the Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation with the aim to plan their future activities in the camp starting from next year. ITTF brought 4 tables, 100 racquets, 400 balls and 8 coaching manuals at the Taekwondo Humanitarian Centre. In 2020, ITTF will therefore start with 2 sessions a week and expand location if participation is high and regular.

Education

In 2019, THF Board of Trustees discussed an internal document on how to strengthen taekwondo education and listed down the action points to implement. This work will continue in the coming years with the aim to produce a toolkit for the coaches.



World Championship – THF booth, visit of Thomas Bach



International Olympic Committee President Thomas Bach visited the Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation (THF) booth during his trip to the 2019 World Taekwondo Championships in Manchester.

Joined by World Taekwondo counterpart Choue Chung-won, Bach met members of the refugee team who competed at the event held from May 15 to 19 2019 for WT World Championships. The members of the Refugee Team are Abdulah Sediqi (Belgium, m-

68kg), Kasra Mehdipournejad (Germany, m-74kg), Dina Pouryounes Langeroudi (Netherlands, w-46kg), and Amir Mohammad Hosseini (Germany, m-58kg).

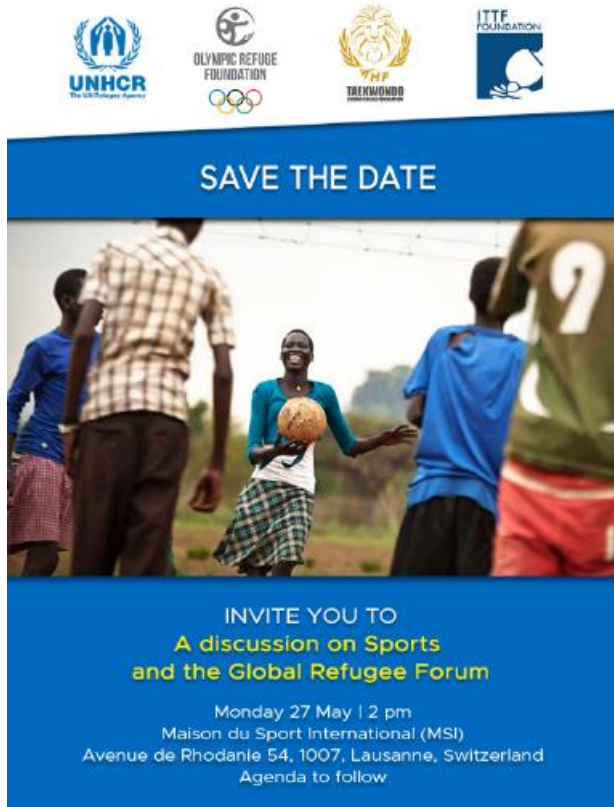
2019 European Para Taekwondo Open Championships & G4 Extra European Championships (Oct 31-Nov 3, 2019 Italy, Bari)



Six refugees athletes attended G4 Extra European Championship (Abdullah Sediqi, Ali Noghandost, Kasra Mehdiepournejab, Amir Mohammad Hosseini, Dina Pouryounes and Naghibzadeh Seyedehsan) on the invitation of the Olympic Solidarity and World Taekwondo. A para refugee athlete, Hussein Marwa, attended the 2019 European Bari Taekwondo Open Championship.



UNHCR/ORF/THF/ITTF meeting – a discussion on sports and global refugee forum



THF, International Tennis Table Federation (ITTF) & Olympic Refugee Foundation (ORF) co-hosted a meeting to discuss the two pledges that the International Federations have been presented during the first Global Refugee Forum organised by United Nations for High Commissioners for Refugees (UNHCR). THF had a leadership role on gathering other international federations and partners.

Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation pledges commitment to refugees at first-ever Global Refugee Forum



As a signatory of the UNHCR-IOC Sports Coalition pledge, World Taekwondo and Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation representatives joined key stakeholders from Governments, NGOs and the private sector at the Forum. IOC President Thomas Bach and Olympic Refugee Foundation (ORF) Chair addressed delegates at the Forum and reiterated the IOC/ORF and sport coalition's support for refugees. THF/WT, ITTF/Foundation and IOC/ORF were the only three sport entities invited directly from UNHCR as a recognition of their contribution. THF is signatory of the coalitions and will continue

to contribute on the implementation of the pledges.

The three pledges are:

- To promote and ensure access for all refugees, without distinction of any kind, to safe and inclusive sporting facilities.
- To increase availability and access to organized sports and sport-based initiatives for refugee and hosting communities, actively considering age, gender, ability and other diversity needs.
- To promote and facilitate equal access to and participation of refugees in sporting events and competitions at all levels.

Paris Peace Forum



The second edition of the Paris Peace Forum was held from 11 to 13 November 2019 at la Grande Halle de La Villette, convening leaders and actors from civil society around the world to advance concrete global governance solutions. THF took part in this conference.

Demo team – THF promotion in Italy



The Demonstration Team performed seven demonstrations across six Italian cities to the delight of taekwondo enthusiasts across the country. The tour is being held under the theme, Peace through Taekwondo, in order to promote Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation. The team has showcased all the drama, excitement and break-taking athleticism with which they are globally associated.

<https://issuu.com/taekwondo/docs/makehistory>

Peace and Sport – nominee for our project



Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation Chairman, Dr. Chungwon Choue, was at the centre of the important discussions at the Peace and Sport Forum 2019 in Monte-Carlo, Monaco, where “putting respect for human rights at the heart of sport” was the key focus on day one. The theme of 12th edition of the Peace and Sport Forum is “Investing in Peace, Acting through Sport”, with an aim to identify and share solutions to scale-up investment in longer-term efforts, transforming societies and leaving a sustainable legacy for generations to come. Dr. Choue joined a panel of esteemed guests at the One Monte-Carlo Conference Centre on the opening day, addressing over 600 key decision-makers on one of the most pressing topics in sports. Dr. Choue’s expertise in this area demonstrated how Taekwondo Humanitarian Foundation is one of the leading sport foundation in the development of peace through sport.

2019 Sporting Chance Forum



THF took also part to The Sporting Chance Forum, held on 21st and 22nd November in Geneva in the historic Room XX of the UN Palais des Nations. This conference serves as a powerful opportunity to discuss the key human rights issues, and their solutions, that exist across the world of sport. Main topic of this conference was child protection.

2019 Sponsors

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- Daedo
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- Srivikorn Pimol

Thank You All

We can only accomplish what we do for refugees thanks to the commitment of our national project teams, our coaches and to the generosity and involvement of our partners and donors.

