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MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV – I AM SO GRATEFUL TO THE HARD WORK AND THE STRONG COMMITMENT OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev summarized his experiences about the whole year after the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships which was the fourth ASBC continental event in 2017.

"First of all I am so grateful to all Asian National Federations about their hard work and strong commitment to our

beloved combat sport. I know some of our National Federations are still new in the world's boxing life but we all feel their efforts and their work will be paid off. I believe we are in the best way in the first year of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic era to be the best continent in the upcoming years.

We launched a new project together with Wesing this year, altogether 14 countries have been donated by new

equipments in our continental events. Afghanistan, Bhutan, Cambodia, DPR Korea, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Kyrgyzstan, Laos, Myanmar, Nepal, Syria, Sri Lanka and Yemen received our supports this year.

We could also support Cambodia's and DPR Korea's participation financially at the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships in Ho Chi Minh City. We began the year at the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Tashkent, Uzbekistan which was our qualification event for the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships. Uzbekistan achieved record number of nine gold medals in the event in Tashkent. We could see also the development of the Indian, Syrian, Indonesian, South Korean and Mongolian national teams.

Bangkok welcomed the 17 and 18-year-old talents in the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships in July. Uzbekistan topped the team rankings once again while Kazakhstan, Japan and Iran also won gold medals in Thailand's capital. Yemen joined to our ASBC events at the very first time in Bangkok where the top boxers could be our heroes in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

The ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships was held in the Philippines, in the picturesque island of Palawan in Puerto Princesa. Our 15 and 16-year-old hopefuls proved Asia's boxing life is on the best was for further glories. This time Kazakhstan was the No.1 in Puerto Princesa but Uzbekistan, Japan and Philippines also impressed with strong performance.

Record number of 107 boxers from 20 countries competed at the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing

Championships in Ho Chi Minh City. Seven nations won at least one title in Ho Chi Minh City where Vietnam and Uzbekistan bagged their first ever gold medals in the history of the competition. Myanmar, Singapore, Cambodia and Laos sent their boxers to the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships at the very first time.

We had a very successful and highest level tournament, the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Tashkent this May and further two continental events in Bangkok and in Puerto Princesa but the AIBA World Boxing Championships in Hamburg was our biggest achievement this year.

Fifteen Asian boxers won medals in the AIBA World Boxing Championships and in the first year of the Asian Olympic cycle, our boxers proved they are capable to beat all of the continents. We are all proud of our Asian heroes here in Hamburg and our hard work paid off earlier than in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

We are working hard to support all Asian countries to develop their boxers and all aspects of the sport to be the leader in boxing among the continents. We have done interviews with our National Federation Presidents therefore we are understanding their requirements, needs and we know how to support them to reach our common objectives. We would like to introduce our affiliated National Federations to the Boxing World by showing their activities.

All of the Asian countries will be getting even stronger next year when we will be hosting the Asian Games in Jakarta. Together We Are Power," said ASBC President Mr. Serik Konakbayev after the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships.

ASBC PRESIDENT MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV: WE COULD CREATE THE UNITED SPORT SPIRIT OF THE ASIAN BOXING

Serik Konakbayev, Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA), President of the Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC), told in an exclusive interview to Kazinform what changes have affected boxing in Kazakhstan, why our boxers were lucky triple and how the year has passed in general.

- Mr. Konakbayev, recently Vietnam hosted the Asian Women's Boxing Championships. What can you say about the performance of the Kazakh national team?

- In my opinion, one gold, one silver and four bronze medals is a very good result. Especially if we take into account the presence of very strong Asian boxing teams from Vietnam, India, China, North Korea, Taipei. And in such a tough competitive group, our girls showed their skills, it's very encouraging. There is a result, there is still something to strive for. My personal opinion, in general, the women's national team of Kazakhstan showed a fairly good result.

- Four Asian boxing championships had been held this year: these are the men's, women's, youth and junior of Asia. Kazakhstan was represented



by the full complement of its teams at all championships. What can you say about the performances of our boxers in these championships?

- As you know, Kazakhstan boxing school is a high class, a school recognized by the whole world, with a rich history and established traditions. Started from the glorious times of the founder of the Kazakh boxing Shokhr Boltekuly, continued in the Soviet era and preserved to the present day. And not only our fans look after our boxing, but the whole world. If our boxers pampered their fans only with top medals, so they do not expect anything other. The world sports community admires the school, the technique of our guys. Representatives of boxing organizations from other countries always note the work of the Kazakhstan Boxing Federation, many of which are interested in the work system of our federation. I would like to note that nowhere in the world boxers have such powerful supports from the state, federation and fans. Our athletes are lucky triple. Believe me, it is indeed the case. Sport in our country is supported at the highest level; during every trip of the Head of State he visits sports facilities. This is the main evidence of the great importance paid by Nursultan Nazarbayev to mass sports and sports of higher achievements. If we talk in particular about our sport, then with the advent of Timur Kulibayev at the managing positions of the Kazakhstan Boxing Federation, a new era of Kazakhstan boxing began. Complex management covered all the components of boxing life, it is the full funding of

athletes, teams, attracting highly qualified coaches, judges, doctors, construction of modern bases and, of course, further strengthening the authority of our boxing in the world sports community. The work done is tremendous, and it is not easy to maintain this level. This is a huge responsibility, which lies with the federation, coaches and athletes. Maybe not always the goals are being fulfilled, but the world moves on, there is a continuous development of boxing, the competition is very high. This is good, because it is the competitive struggle that tempers and motivates even greater achievements. We have entered a new Olympic cycle, the goals are high and we need to strive for them. By the way, the past Asian championships among youth and juniors showed that we have a reserve, and it is quite good. The main thing is not to lose these guys, but lead them right.

- Mr. Konakbayev, the Asian confederation of boxing has «completed» its annual plan for continental championships. How do you evaluate 2017, have you managed to achieve all your goals?

- Thanks for the question. You know, time is so fast flying. These three years that I am the president of the Asian Boxing Confederation, have passed like one moment. Initially, we had made a deep analysis of what we had and what we should come to. Our confederation has 44 national federations that is the majority of Asian nations. However, despite the huge human potential of the continent, not all countries have economic opportunities

for the development of boxing, not all countries have boxing potential. Our goal was to «wake up» these «sleeping» federations, show them what boxing is in our, Kazakhstan's perception, as we understand and love it. And I, as a person who knew boxing from the inside, understood that without the appropriate material and financial support, it would not be so easy. Since this year we have started, as we call it, the «Program of Little Steps», it is an ancient truth that the great is born from the small. After all, we should not be afraid, we have to start something and act. With the support of our official partner, the AIBA-accredited supplier of boxing equipment, Chinese Wesiing company, we set up the tradition of presenting gloves and focus mitts to our needy federations. As a result, in 2017 this «minimum program» covers 14 countries. This is small in numbers, but still good achievement for us. Also this year, the Confederation sent the Kazakh coach Mukhtar Berdimbetov for 3 months to work in Nepal, for this short time he could show them the basics of boxing school, helped build the training process. And as a result, this year Nepal participated in the junior and women's championships in Asia for the first time. It is also noteworthy that this year Cambodia and Myanmar participated in our championships, it was their debut in the Asian ring. We are pleased that if within two years Afghanistan was experiencing financial difficulties when sending teams to the competitions, then most recently they have conducted certified courses of AIBA for coaches for the first time in their

history. This is an important fact, especially for a country which is at permanent war. This also applies to Syria, which is going through a difficult period of its history, but tries not to miss the competition. Due to financial difficulties, Cambodia and North Korea almost missed the Women's Asian Championship, our confederation paid for their food and living expenses in Vietnam. Many of our partners from affiliated federations support our initiatives. Now I can say that we could create a united sport spirit of Asian boxing. After all, the point of sport unity is in understanding that we are competitors only in the ring, but outside the ring – we are a single sports family. Is not it pleasant when athletes from North and South Korea, China and Taipei sit together at a round dining table when Uzbek fans chant at the World Championships in Hamburg “Kazakhstan! Kazakhstan!”. Probably these are those very moments for which it is worth to get tired and fall behind on sleep. By the way, at the Men's World Championships in Germany this year, Asia dominated the overall medal standings for the first time, ahead of other continents. Maybe it is quite immodest, but let us brag of that. So this is the end of this year.

- Thank you for an interesting interview.

- Thank you also for your genuine interest in sports!

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MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND ASBC MANAGEMENT WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SPANISH BOXING FEDERATION MR. FELIPE MARTINEZ

President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of AIBA Mr. Serik Konakbayev furthermore the ASBC management wishes Happy Birthday to the President of the Spanish Boxing Federation Mr. Felipe Martinez.

Mr. Felipe Martinez claimed several titles as a boxer in the Spanish National Championships and he was the member of the national team between 2000 and 2004 when he competed also internationally. Following his successful

coaching career, Mr. Felipe Martinez was elected as President of the Spanish Boxing Federation one year ago and he is trying to increase the number of the international competitions in his homeland.



MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE ASBC MANAGEMENT SEND THEIR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO THE VICTIMS OF THE EARTHQUAKE IN IRAN AND IN IRAQ

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation Mr. Serik Konakbayev and the ASBC management are sending their sincere condolences to the victims of the massive earthquake which was affected Iran and Iraq.

A powerful magnitude 7.3 earthquake has rocked the northern region of Iran and Iraq and killed hundreds of people in

these countries. The Iranian and the Iraqi boxing families also suffered during these natural disasters.

ASIA WON RECORD NUMBER OF SEVEN GOLD MEDALS IN THE AIBA WOMEN'S YOUTH WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS



The seventh competition day saw the 10 final contests in the Guwahati 2017 AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships in India. Record number of 21 Asian boxers advanced to the semi-finals and our talents topped the No.1 place among the continents. Among the 10 Asian finalists record number of 7 boxers won the titles in the AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships. Furthermore Jyoti Singh of India and Vietnam's Do Hong Ngoc qualified for the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

The total numbers of the boxers are 160 from 31 nations in Guwahati and among them 67 Asian competitors were competing for the medals in the Indian city from 14 countries from our continent. China, Chinese Taipei, India, Japan, Kazakhstan, South Korea, Mongolia, Nepal, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Vietnam are the participating Asian nations in Guwahati.

→ **Light flyweight** (48 kg): India's new sensational talent 17-year-old Nitu defeated Bulgaria's two-time EUBC European Youth Champion Emi-Mari Todorova in a key preliminary contest in Guwahati which raised her motivation in the event. Nitu, who received the right to box in Guwahati only in the final minute, defeated China's three-time National Champion in various age groups Nie Yuan in the semi-final and advanced to the title contest. Nitu used the perfect tactic against Kazakhstan's most technician boxer in their women's youth team, Zhazira Urakbayeva and she looked motivated in their strong final bout. The Indian talent felt the tempo and her attacks were successful therefore Nitu won the first gold medal of the AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships.

→ **Flyweight** (51 kg): India's Jyoti Singh moved up to the flyweight (51kg) only in the recent months but she was selected to represent her country in Guwahati. The Indian talent, who will be turning to 17 only in December, eliminated Ukraine's EUBC European Confederation Women's Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Anastasia Lisinska, Italy's No.1 Giovanna Marchese and Kazakhstan's technician Zhansaya Abdraimova during her road to the title contest. The Indian talent started her final against Russia's Ekaterina Molchanova with tough combinations and she felt the rhythm from the first seconds. The young Indian talent had great stamina in the third round and she celebrated her close triumph which took for her a ticket for the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

→ **Bantamweight** (54 kg): India's AIBA Women's Junior World Champion Sakshi Choudhary was amazing in her preparation events before Guwahati and arrived to the city as one of the best hope of the host country. The 17-year-old Indian eliminated a star rival Russia's two-time European Champion Indira Shudabaeva, China's Youth National Champion Lu Xia and Japan's Youth National Champion Sena Irie during her road to the finals. The Indian talent was not able to produce the same strong performance in the final of the AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships but she was able to beat England's Ivy-Jane Smith by split decision in the title contest. Sakshi launched effective punches mainly in the third round which was the difference between them today which meant India achieved its third gold in Guwahati.

→ **Featherweight** (57 kg): India's Balkan Women's Youth Tournament winner Shashi Chopra delivered her fifth sensational performance in Guwahati where she realized her objective and won the gold medal of the weight class. The 18-year-old Hisar-based boxer eliminated Uzbekistan's two-time Youth National Champion Durdonakhon Rakhmatova, Chinese Taipei's Lin Li Wei Yi, Kazakhstan's Sandugash Abilkhan and Mongolia's No.1 Namuun Monkhor in her road to the finals. Chopra had to meet with her fifth Asian rival, Vietnam's ASEAN Youth Champion Do Hong Ngoc in the final where she was able to use her long hands successfully. The Indian talent launched powerful punches mainly in the second round and won her country's fourth gold medal in Guwahati.

→ **Lightweight** (60 kg): South Korea's new flag bearer in their team Im Ae Ji was amazing in the first round when she eliminated India's Golden Gloves of Vojvodina Women's Youth Tournament winner Vanlalhariatpuii and she continued her strong performance against Bulgaria's Aslahan Mehmedova, United States' Youth National Champion star Diana Estrada and Australia's Commonwealth Youth Games winner Ella Boot in her road to the finals. The 18-year-old South Korean was still enough hungry in the final of the event when she met with Italy's EUBC European Women's Junior Champion Vittoria De Carlo. The hard trainings with two-time ASBC Asian Champion Oh Yeon Ji has paid off and Im Ae Ji delivered a historical success for South Korea in Guwahati.

→ **Light welterweight** (64 kg): India's Ankushita Boro lives and trains in Assam region therefore she knows well the environment in Guwahati which is only 200km away from her home. The 17-year-old boxer, who achieved silver in the Ahmet Comert Youth Tournament and also in the Balkan Women's Youth Tournament, eliminated Turkey's Cagla Aluc and Italy's Rebecca Nicolli in the previous rounds which victories were revenges from her previous losses. Boro tried to keep her concentration in the same top level against Russia's Ekaterina Dynn timer in the final and used her height advantage in the last bout of the whole event. Assam-based Ankushita Boro delivered her best performance in the right time in the finals and secured India's fifth gold medal in the competition.

→ **Welterweight**
(69 kg):

China's 18-year-old Wu Shuang claimed bronze medal in their 2015 Women's Junior National Championships but since then she was unstoppable in their national events. The Chinese boxer lost to Russia's Natalia Sychugova in the quarter-final stage of the AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships. India's Astha Pahwa was silver medallist in the Golden Gloves of Vojvodina Women's Youth Tournament in August and she also reached the Top8 where she was defeated by Turkey's Canser Oltu.

→ **Middleweight**
(75 kg):

Chinese Taipei's four-time National Champion Yang Ya Chu eliminated Ireland's EUBC European Confederation Women's Youth Boxing Championships bronze medallist Lauren and Uzbekistan's Zolotarev Memorial Tournament winner Mavluda Mavlonova in the road to the semi-finals. Chinese Taipei's top talent had difficulties in the first round against England's Commonwealth Youth Games winner Georgia O'Connor but she has done a great comeback in the third. Yang's efforts were not enough to turn back their semi-finals but her bronze medal is her career highlight.

→ **Light
heavyweight**
(81 kg):

Kazakhstan's experienced Araylym Begdilda won three international events this year and she was named as gold medal contender of the heavyweight (81kg) before the start of the AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships. The 18-year-old Kazakh boxer eliminated her Polish rival, Ewelina Manka in the quarter-final and dominated her semi-final against Ukraine's Elizaveta Sliusar. Begdilda had a few difficulties against Russia's EUBC European Women's Youth Champion Anastasia Rybak in the first round but she adopted the level of the contest still in time. The Kazakh boxer launched the more powerful punches in their final contest and celebrated her country's first gold medal in Guwahati.

→ **Heavyweight**
(+81 kg):

Kazakhstan's AIBA Women's Junior World Boxing Championships silver medallist Dina Islambekova eliminated a tough rival Hungary's two-time EUBC European Confederation Women's Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Adrienn Juhasz in their quarter-final and she was able to eliminate also India's Balkan Women's Youth Tournament winner Neha Yadav in the last four. The 17-year-old Kazakh girl was quicker than her final rival, Russia's AIBA Women's Junior World Champion Kristina Tkacheva but her European opponent was the stronger puncher therefore Islambekova received the silver medal in Guwahati.



**LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE AIBA WOMEN'S YOUTH
WORLD BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

48 kg: Nitu, India

51 kg: Jyoti Singh, India

54 kg: Sakshi Choudhary, India

57 kg: Shashi Chopra, India

60 kg: Im Ae Ji, South Korea

64 kg: Ankushita Boro, India

69 kg: Citlalli Ortiz, United States of America

75 kg: Anastasia Shamonova, Russia

81 kg: Araylym Begdilda, Kazakhstan

+81 kg: Kristina Tkacheva, Russia



A HISTORICAL STEP IN ASIA – THE BIDDING PROCESS FOR THE 2018 ASBC ASIAN CONFEDERATION U22 BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS IS OPEN

Asian Boxing Confederation arrived to a new milestone to develop the sport in the continent in the middle of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic era. The bidding process for the first ever 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships is open and all affiliated Asian National Federations can reach all details in the ASBC channels.

The 2018 edition of the 1st ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships will be held for the men boxers to strengthen the athletes after their youth ages. Male boxers who were born between 1996 and 1999 will be eligible to take part in the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships.

The preferred date of the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships would be in the first part of May next year. Men's weight classes of the 1st edition of the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships are the followings: 49kg, 52kg, 56kg, 60kg, 64kg, 69kg, 75kg, 81kg, 91kg and +91kg.

The Asian Games will be held in Jakarta, Indonesia next August and the ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships could be a preparation event also for the younger boxers before the qualification tournaments of the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

The bidding process for the next edition of the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships is open and all affiliated Asian National Federations can reach all details in the ASBC channels. Following the 1st ever ASBC Asian Confederation U22 Boxing Championships the bidding for hosting the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships is also open for all Asian National Federations.

The 2018 edition of the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships will be held not only for the men talents but also to the women hopes to strengthen to develop all part of the sports and raise the international contests of our future stars. Female and male boxers who were born between in 2002 or in 2003 will be eligible to take part in the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships.

The preferred date of the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships would be in the second part of July next year just before the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. Women and men talents can box in the following 13 weight classes at the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships are the followings: 46kg, 48kg, 50kg, 52kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 63kg, 66kg, 70kg, 75kg, 80kg and +80kg.

The 2017 edition of the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships was held in Puerto Princesa, Philippines with great success where the host country, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan and Japan achieved the titles. The best boxer trophy was went to Japan's Sora Tanaka in Puerto Princesa while some of the winners are eligible to take part also in the upcoming 2018 edition.

THE BIDDING FOR THE 2018 ASBC ASIAN CONFEDERATION JUNIOR BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS IS OPEN AND WOMEN TALENTS CAN ALSO JOIN



MR. TRAN MINH TIEN – FAIR PLAY AND OUR MEDIA RELATIONS ARE OUR STRENGTH AFTER CLEAN UP THE SPORT IN VIETNAM

Mr. Tran Minh Tien is the President of the Vietnam Boxing Federation who is working hard to develop the sport in the Southeast Asian country. Vietnam has got all of the potential to reach the top countries of the Asian continent and following the successes of their women boxers their men talents are also waiting for their time in 2018.

Vietnam Boxing Federation hosted the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships in Ho Chi Minh City in the recent days where the country achieved its first ever title in the history of the competition. Vietnam Boxing Federation is planning to host another big event in the upcoming two years to get even better results in the international tournaments.

- Could you please introduce your country's boxing life?

- Boxing in Vietnam has developed and established long times ago, we have got history in this superb sport. An accident of violence could not be controlled in the National Championships in 1994 which lead to the ban of the government for eight years. In 2002, boxing is permitted to rebuild in difficulties in Vietnam. At that times, there was only a Provisional Association of boxing belong to the Sport General Department of the ministry of

culture, Sport and Tourism, control all boxing activities in Vietnam.

For 10 years after the ban, boxing developed in rather good way and we have got some achievements in the international events. But recent years, some negative issues happened and boxing developed only in 3-4 teams in the country. Our main goal is to spread the sport more actively in the whole country.

In September 13, 2015, the Vietnam Boxing Federation was set up in a national boxing congress. And Mr. Tran Minh Tien is voted as the first president of Vietnam Boxing Federation two years ago. In the first year, the federation only work in term of cooperation and observers in boxing activities created by Sport General Department. And in June 2017, the Sport General Department has transferred all boxing activities to Vietnam Boxing Federation.

Than, we had to face with a lot of negative issues therefore firstly we have decided to clean up boxing. We are facing with the problem of budget for all boxing tournaments in Vietnam and to renew all R&Js and coaches. Boxing in Vietnam now still have a lot of things to do but we can say that a new era has opened for boxing.

- Would you like to tell us your strategic plans for the future and the key developments in your country?



- With the policy to develop boxing in the country, we have to create more sources for the boxers in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic era. Our main plan for the national team is to send them to several events in the upcoming three years therefore we have to do at least the followings:

1. We are planning to host one seminar to upgrade our coaches, and one further course for the AIBA 1-star R&Js in 2018. Furthermore we have got strong plans for 2019: there will be one seminar for AIBA 2-star coaches, one course for AIBA 1-star R&Js and one further seminar for AIBA 2-Stars R&Js.

2. Competitions:

- Club championships cup
- National youth championships
- National championships

- Number one championship belts

- Pro championship belt
- Try to attend 2 international tournaments

2019:

- Club championships cup
- National youth championships
- National championships
- Number one championship belt
- Pro championship belt
- Try to attend 2 international tournaments
- To be the host for 1 international event

- What are the main strengths and issues in your boxing life?

- Our main strengths are the fair play, the clean up in the sport, mobilizing social strength and our media power in Vietnam. We are facing with a lot of difficulties financing all areas of boxing but we are ready to solve our issues.



AIBA 1-STAR COACH COURSE WAS HELD IN BISHKEK

The Kyrgyz Boxing Federation hosted an important AIBA 1-Star Coach Course during their National Elite Boxing Championships in Bishkek. This coach course is hosted by the Kyrgyz Boxing Federation with the assistance from the Asian Boxing Confederation (ASBC) for the future developments of the Central Asian country.

The courses contained also theoretical and practical classes in Bishkek where the Instructor of the AIBA 1-Star Coach Course was Mr. Valentyn Ostyanov of Ukraine who is member of the AIBA Coach Commission and has got a lot of experiences in the world of boxing. He led several previous AIBA 1-Star Coach Courses mainly in the

former Soviet countries. Altogether 24 coaches have been attended in the AIBA 1-Star Coach Course during the Kyrgyz National Boxing Championships. 18 trainers arrived to the course from Kyrgyzstan, 2 from Mongolia, 2 from Uzbekistan and 2 from Kazakhstan to raise their experiences and work as AIBA 1-star Coach in the near

future. Kyrgyzstan's Mr. Akzhol Azhibekov is one of the national coach of the Kyrgyz boxing team who attended also in the AIBA 1-Star Coach Course in Bishkek. Kazakhstan's Mr. Mukhtar Berdimbetov, who is the current head coach in Nepal, also participated in the AIBA 1-Star Coach Course in Bishkek.

AFGHANISTAN BOXING FEDERATION HOSTED A SUCCESSFUL AIBA 1-STAR COACH COURSE IN KABUL

Afghanistan Boxing Federation hosted its first ever AIBA 1-Star Coach Course in their capital city in Kabul which was their next effort to develop boxing in the country. Afghanistan began a new road in the boxing world this year and their strategic plan contains several elements how to develop the sport in the country.

The Instructor of their first ever AIBA 1-star Coach Course in Kabul was Sri Lanka's Mr. Indrasena Rubasinghe Kankanamge who worked hard for the success of the event. He worked as coach in the Sri Lankan Army boxing team in the last decade and he was also the Instructor in Nepal during the AIBA 1-star Coach Course in Kathmandu.

President of the Afghanistan Boxing Federation Mr. Abdullah Sattari attended also in this important event in Kabul. Mr. Waheedullah Hameedi not only organized all areas of the AIBA 1-star Coach Course in Kabul before and during the sessions but he translated for the participants in the whole event.

The courses contained also theoretical and practical classes in Kabul during the AIBA 1-star Coach Course. Former Afghan National Champion Mr. Omid Mehrabi, Mr. Mohammad Qadir Sultani, Mr. Hameedullah Hameedi are all well known in Afghanistan's boxing life and each attended in the courses. Mrs. Fahima Sherzai is the first Afghan woman who could attend in a coach course and she could be one of the pioneer in the female part of the sport.





NIYAZYMBETOV RETURNED WITH GOLD MEDAL AT THE KAZAKHSTAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN SHYMKENT

The Kazakhstan National Boxing Championships for the elite men boxers was held in the city of Shymkent in the recent days which the 26th edition since the country became independent in 1991. Two-time Olympic Games silver medallist Adilbek Niyazymbetov returned in the event with top performance and won the gold in the strong light heavyweight (81kg).

The competition delivered several big surprises and new stars were born in the Kazakhstan National Boxing Championships in Shymkent. Kazakhstan's new squad achieved impressive six medals in the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships where Kayrat Yeraliyev won the title at the bantamweight (56kg).

ASBC Asian Champion and WSB Team Champion Temirtas Zhussupov is an experienced light flyweight (49kg) boxer who used up his experiences to beat Sofia 2014 AIBA Youth World Champion Shalkar Aikynbay in the final of the event. Zhussupov is eight years older than his rival which was the difference between them in the title contest.

Olzhas Bayniyazov, who achieved bronze medal in the last edition in 2016, changed his medal into gold in Shymkent. The flyweight (52kg) boxer defeated ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Azamat Isakulov in the final while Anvar Muzaparov and Abai Kuandykov bagged the bronze medals. Two-time National Champion Azat Makhmetov and Rio 2016 Olympian Olzhas Sattibayev both were eliminated by younger hopes still in the first preliminary round.

Incheon 2014 Asian Games winner and WSB Team Champion Ilyas Suleimenov eliminated Nursultan Koshegulov in the semi-final and continued his winning series against Zhanbolat Kydyrbayev in the final of the bantamweight (56kg). The 27-year-old Suleimenov, who moved up from the flyweight (52kg), is one of the best boxer in this category not only in Kazakhstan but in the world as well.

AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Berik Abdrakhmanov defeated AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships silver medallist Sultan Zaurbek, Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships competitor Adilet Kurmetov and WSB Team Champion Zakir Safiullin during his campaign at the lightweight (60kg). The Rio 2016 Olympian Berik Abdrakhmanov has done a victorious and glorious return in Shymkent.

ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Bekdaulet Ibragimov was born in Tashkent but has been fighting for Kazakhstan. The 22-year-old light welterweight (64kg) talent was too strong for Sabyrzhan Bekbergenov in the final while Pavlodar's Kuan Kumatov and ASBC Asian Youth Champion 18-year-old Sanatali Toltayev achieved only bronze medals in Shymkent.

In the absence of Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Ablaihan Zhussupov, Aslanbek Shymbergenov shined at the

welterweight (69kg) who dominated his final against Kanagat Maralov. The two-time WSB Team Champion Aslanbek Shymbergenov was named as the Best Boxer of the Kazakhstan National Boxing Championships after his tough performance.

Abai Tolesh, who has been competing in the international events since 2013, delivered a sensation in his opening bout when he defeated former ASBC Asian Youth Champion and Islamic Solidarity Games winner Tursynbai Kulakhmet. Following that unexpected success he defeated Azamat Bakytov, ASBC Asian Junior Champion Vladislav Stolbovskiy and ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships silver medallist Yerik Alzhanov which meant he was crowned at the middleweight (75kg).

Two-time Olympic Games silver medallist star Adilbek Niyazymbetov returned in the event and won the title after beating AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Bekzat Nurdauletov in the final. Another two 19-year-old boxers such as Bek Nurmaganbet and Mikhail Kokhanchik achieved the bronze medals in Shymkent.

The biggest surprise of the light heavyweight (81kg) was delivered by Mikhail Kokhanchik who eliminated AIBA World Champion Zhanibek Alimkhanuly in the quarter-finals.

In the absence of Rio 2016 Olympic Games silver medallist and three-time

ASBC Asian Champion Vassiliy Levit, Kazakhstan's No.2 at the heavyweight (91kg) Incheon 2014 Asian Games winner and WSB Team Champion Anton Pinchuk controlled his contests including against Nurbol Altayev in the final.

In the absence of Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships silver medallist Kamshybek Kunkabayev and 20-year-old talent Nurlan Saparbay the

super heavyweight (+91kg) was an open category in Shymkent. The gold medal was captured by FISU University World Champion Nursultan Amanzholov who defeated defending National Champion Olzhas Bukayev in a close final. President's Cup bronze medallist 20-year-old Nurbolat Sermakhanov and 19-year-old Ayboldy Daurenuly both took the further podium places in Shymkent.



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE KAZAKHSTAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

49 kg: Temirtas Zhussupov, 1988

52 kg: Olzhas Bayniyazov, 1992

56 kg: Ilyas Suleimenov, 1990

60 kg: Berik Abdrakhmanov, 1986

64 kg: Bekdaulet Ibragimov, 1995

69 kg: Aslanbek Shymbergenov, 1993

75 kg: Abay Tolesh, 1995

81 kg: Adilbek Niyazymbetov, 1989

91 kg: Anton Pinchuk, 1988

+91 kg: Nursultan Amanzholov, 1993



TEENAGE STARS FAYZOV AND MULLOJONOV WON THE TITLES IN THE UZBEKISTAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 26th edition of the Uzbekistan National Championships for their men boxers was held in the city of Termez which is located in the southernmost part of the country near to the Afghan border. Khudoynazar Fayzov and Lazizbek Mullojonov both are only 18 but won their weight classes in the National Championships in Termez.

The number of the elite male boxers was 207 in the new edition of the Uzbek National Boxing Championships in Termez in spite of the fact some of their top athletes did not attend in the competition. The best Uzbek boxers amazed the crowd in the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships where their stars achieved nine gold medals. Furthermore their welterweight (69kg) No.1 Shakhram Giyasov became AIBA World Champion in Hamburg, Germany three months ago.

Tashkent region's Khudoynazar Fayzov claimed the gold medal in the Uzbek Youth National Championships which was a small surprise from the 18-year-old boxer. The teenage talent, who began boxing in 2011 and had 70 fights during his career, shocked WSB boxer Nodirjon Mirzakhmedov in the semi-final and did enough to beat Islamic Solidarity Games bronze medallist Mironshokh Ibragimov in the final of the light flyweight (49kg).

Ferghana's Abdulla Kuchkarov claimed the gold medal at the light flyweight (49kg) in the 2014 Uzbek National Championships. Since then he competed international events in Russia, in Azerbaijan, in Kyrgyzstan and in Bulgaria but his title at the flyweight (52kg) was a small surprise in Termez. The 22-year-

old boxer defeated veteran Shakhriyor Isakov in the semi-final and triumphed over the defending champion Hasanboy Latibakhunov in the final.

Bukhara's Rio 2016 Olympic Games winner Shakhobiddin Zoirov returned to the world of boxing after his big success half year ago and adopted the level of the bantamweight (56kg) quickly. The 24-year-old boxer controlled his fights in his new weight class and following his close victory over ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Mirazizbek Mirzakhalilov, he maintained the best fighting distance against unbeaten WSB star Abdulkhay Sharakhmatov in the gold medal bout.

Tashkent's Shunkor Abdurasulov claimed bronze medal in the 2016 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships in Pavlodar and the 19-year-old talent moved up to the lightweight (60kg) since his youth competitions. Abdurasulov, who spent great times in a South Korean training camp, defeated Bukhara's Zolotarev Memorial Tournament winner Shukurjon Rakhimov in the final of the national event.

In the absence of Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships silver medallist Ikboljon Kholdarov, Ferghana's Ziyoviddin Tokhirov captured the title of the light welterweight (64kg). The 21-year-old boxer exceeded the previous expectations and defeated ASBC Asian Youth Champion Bilolbek Mirzarakhimov,

Jakhongir Rasulov and Islamic Solidarity Games winner Aliyor Noraliyev during his road to the gold medal.

Surkhondarya's Strandja Memorial Tournament winner Makhmud Gaipov moved back to his original welterweight (69kg) and amazed the crowd in Termez with his excellent combinations. The 21-year-old boxer stopped WSB hope Fazliddin Meliboyev in the semi-final and continued his winning path against Islamic Solidarity Games winner Bobo-Usmon Boturov in the title contest.

Tashkent region's Akmuurod Gafforov competed in the 2014 edition of the Uzbek National Championships but since then he was not able to reach top results. Gafforov defeated former AIBA Youth World Champion Akmalbek Kosimov in the semi-final of the middleweight (75kg) and outpointed Samarkand's Fanat Kakhramonov in the final.

Ferghana's AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships bronze medallist 20-year-old Kozimbek Mardonov moved up to the light heavyweight (81kg) this year and used his strength to beat Jaloledin Uktamov and former Youth National Champion Madiyar Saidrakhimov in the final stages of the event.

Bukhara's Sardorbek Yormukhammedov competed in the World Series of Boxing four years ago and he moved ahead step by step in the Uzbek national ranking as well. The 24-year-old heavyweight (91kg) boxer captured his first ever national title

following his successes over teenage talent Shokhruz Rakhimov, Jamshiddin Abdullaev and Khasankhon Baratov.

Ferghana's Lazizbek Mullojonov is a native talent at the super heavyweight (+91kg) who won the title in the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships earlier this year. The 18-year-old boxer

used his longer hands against Rustamjon Ismoilov, ASBC Asian Youth Champion Profsor Rorimsha and former AIBA Junior World Champion Mirzobek Hasanov. National Champion and ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Ulugbek Mubinov claimed only bronze medal in Termez.



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE UZBEKISTAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

49 kg: Khudoynazar Fayzov

52 kg: Abdulla Kuchkarov

56 kg: Shakhobiddin Zoirov

60 kg: Shunkor Abdurasulov

64 kg: Ziyoviddin Tokhirov

69 kg: Makhmud Gaipov

75 kg: Akmuurod Gafforov

81 kg: Kozimbek Mardonov

91 kg: Sardorbek Yormukhammedov

+91 kg: Lazizbek Mullojonov

TEENAGE TALENT SYRGAK DZHANSEITOV WON THE TITLE IN THE KYRGYZ NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Kyrgyz National Boxing Championships for their elite women and men boxers was held in their capital in Bishkek. Five boxers including Ermek Sakenov were able to defend the throne in the Kyrgyz National Boxing Championships and new hopefuls proved their development in Bishkek.

Kyrgyzstan qualified one boxer to the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships and their elite boxers did good job also in the Islamic Solidarity Games this year. Altogether 106 men and 4 women boxers attended in the Kyrgyz National Boxing Championships in Bishkek and 12 champions have been crowned in the event.

The first gold medal of the event was achieved by Bishkek's Shakhriza Khalilova who returned to the world of boxing after a short break and the former ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships competitor was too strong for Alina Masadyk Kyzy in the final of the featherweight (57kg).

Bishkek's Meerimgul Mamasaly Kyzy regained her place in the top of the podium after beating Barchynai Uzgenbayeva in the final of the women's light welterweight (64kg). The best Kyrgyz woman boxer Farida Pupova competed in the ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships in Ho



Chi Minh City and missed the National Championships in Bishkek.

ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships bronze medallist Syrgak Dzhanseitov of Bishkek became the youngest winner in the Kyrgyz National Championships who is only 19 but he had all of the skills to beat his more experienced rivals. Dzhanseitov defeated Rakhmankul Avatov in the semi-final and he repeated that strong performance in the final of the light flyweight (49kg) against the defending champion, eight years older Mirlan Turkbay Uulu.

Tokmak's former ASBC Asian Champion Azat Usenaliev walked over to the last four against Pavlyukov Youth Tournament silver medallist 18-year-old Rustam Muratov and after that he stopped Bolotbek Baatyrbek Uulu and three-time National Champion Zhanybek Musayev. Usenaliev won his important national title at the flyweight (52kg) while Incheon 2014 Asian Games bronze medallist Turat Osmonov achieved only bronze.

Dzhalal-Abad region's Sirodjiddin Abdullaev won several international events in 2016 and after his silver medal in the last edition, he was able to win the title of the bantamweight (56kg) in Bishkek. He was too strong for Bayaman Alimbekov in the final while defending National Champion Mirbek Sherov lost his first contest against Kanatbek Abduvakhob Uulu still in the preliminaries.

Chui region's ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Omurbek Malabekov had a hard job against Osh-based 21-year-old Munarbek Seyitbek Uulu but he was able to solve that tactical job in the final of the

lightweight (60kg). Bishkek City Champion Erzhan Turgumbekov and U21 National Champion Argen Kadyrbek Uulu the achieved bronze medals in this weight class.

Chui region's ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Nurlan Kobashev defeated ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Nursultan Mamataly Uulu, 19-year-old Dmitriy Puchnin and national team member Bek Kamchybekov during his road to the final. Kobashev proved strong attacking boxing in the final of the light welterweight (64kg) and defeated Bishkek's FISU University World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Temirlan Osmonov in the title contest.

Chui region's ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Ermek Sakenov moved up to the welterweight (69kg) in the beginning of the new Olympic cycle and proved his best in his next national event. The 30-year-old Sakenov eliminated Bishkek's Adilet Batyraliev in the semi-final and he was able to keep the title against Dzhalal-Abad region's 21-year-old Abdurakhman Abdurakhmanov.

Bishkek's Ilyas Mukanbetov moved up to the middleweight (75kg) only in the recent months and returned to the national event in upgraded performance. Mukanbetov defeated two top boxers such as Yktyiar Shabdanbayev and Ilyaz Akmataliyev while Asian Games competitor veteran Azamat Kanybek Uulu claimed bronze in Bishkek.

Bishkek's Rio 2016 Olympian Erkin Adylbek Uulu is one of the best Kyrgyz boxer, who delivered strong performance at the

light heavyweight (81kg) in their National Championships. The 26-year-old boxer stopped all of his opponents in Bishkek, including U21 National Champion Aslan Abayev, Nurdin Sopubekov and Dzhalal-Abad region's Bayaman Ilyasov in the final.

Bishkek's ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Sergei Parenko had a difficult semi-final against a younger talent Daniyar Orozbekov but after he was able to defend his throne at the heavyweight

(91kg), beating Bishkek's U21 National Champion Zhakshylyk Kuzaliyev.

Osh-based Ziyadin Muminov is a new face in the Kyrgyzstan's boxing who did not compete in any big events yet. In spite of his lack of experiences he was able to beat Kyrgyz Universiade winner Sanjar Tairov, Youth National Champion 19-year-old Maksim Tkachev, Tilek Zheenbekov and Naryn region's Azat Asykbekov in his participation at the super heavyweight (+91kg).



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE KYRGYZ NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's 57 kg: Shakhriza Khalilova

Women's 64 kg: Meerimgul Mamasaly Kyzy

Men's 49 kg: Syrgak Dzhanseitov

Men's 52 kg: Azat Usenaliev

Men's 56 kg: Sirodjiddin Abdullaev

Men's 60 kg: Omurbek Malabekov

Men's 64 kg: Nurlan Kobashev

Men's 69 kg: Ermek Sakenov

Men's 75 kg: Ilyas Mukanbetov

Men's 81 kg: Erkin Adylbek Uulu

Men's 91 kg: Sergei Parenko

Men's +91 kg: Ziyadin Muminov

TEENAGE STAR HAYATO TSUTSUMI WON HIS FIRST EVER ELITE COMPETITION IN THE JAPANESE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 87th edition of the Japanese National Championships for their men boxers was held in the city of Fukui where super talented AIBA Youth World Champion and two-time ASBC Asian Youth Champion Hayato Tsutsumi has done a winning start in the elite level. Rio 2016 Olympians Arashi Morisaka and Daisuke Narimatsu both won their strong weight classes in the National Championships in Fukui.

The number of the elite male boxers was 101 in the Japanese National Championships in Fukui where the flyweight (52kg), bantamweight (56kg) and lightweight (60kg) were the most popular ones in the event with the participation of 15 athletes. The Japanese boxers have been preparing hard to the upcoming Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games therefore the level of the National Championships was the highest.

Tomoya Tsuboi is member of the national team since 2015 and following his triumph over Ryusei Matsumoto he had to meet in the final of the light flyweight (49kg) with ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Toshio Kashiwasaki. The 21-year-old boxer found the best fighting distance in the first round and won the opening title contest of the Japanese National Championships.

Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships competitor 21-year-old Ryusei Baba had to do his very best to beat ASBC Asian Youth Champion teenage hope Ryutaro Nakagaki in the semi-final of the flyweight (52kg). Following his close triumph, Baba was able to control his final against another experienced boxer, Ryoma Kitaura.

AIBA Youth World Champion and two-time ASBC Asian Youth Champion Hayato Tsutsumi competed in his first ever elite competition in Fukui but his efforts were enough to get the gold medal. The 18-year-old super talented boxer eliminated Rio Olympic Test Event winner Ryomei Tanaka in the semi-final and defeated Taipei City Cup winner Mikito Nakano in the final of the bantamweight (56kg).

Rio 2016 Olympian Arashi Morisaka competed in his first international event still back in 2011 and after several years of experiences he proved he is the best Japanese boxer at the lightweight (60kg). The 21-year-old boxer had hard job in the semi-final against ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Kenji Fujita but after that success he was able to beat also National Champion Rentaro Kimura in the final.

Rio 2016 Olympian and ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Daisuke Narimatsu is Japan's most experienced international level boxer who returned to the world of boxing at the light welterweight (64kg). The 28-year-old boxer defeated



Nobuhiro Hiranaka and Yuta Akiyama in the last two competition days in Fukui.

Hiroaki Kinjo is the member of the national team at the welterweight (69kg) since 2016 and he was able to defend his throne in this category. He eliminated ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships bronze medallist teenage talent Issei Aramoto in the semi-finals and continued his winning path against Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Games silver medallist Toshihiro Suzuki. Yuito Moriwaki was born in 1996 and he trains in the Hosei University but he is not a well-known boxer in Japan therefore his triumphs over Ren Umemura and Ryudai Onikura were surprises in the final stages of the middleweight (75kg). The light heavyweight (81kg) is a new category in Japan which returned to the official program of their National Championships in 2014 and this time Hisaki Takakura was too strong for Ran Tomomatsu.



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE JAPANESE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

49 kg: Tomoya Tsuboi

52 kg: Ryusei Baba

56 kg: Hayato Tsutsumi

60 kg: Arashi Morisaka

64 kg: Daisuke Narimatsu

69 kg: Hiroaki Kinjo

75 kg: Yuito Moriwaki

81 kg: Hisaki Takakura

MANISH KAUSHIK DEFEATED STAR SHIVA THAPA AT THE INDIAN NATIONAL ELITE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Indian National Boxing Championships for the elite men boxers was held in the city of Vishakapatnam where the competition delivered several big sensations. India's young promising hopes as Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympian Shyam Kumar Kakara, Manish Kaushik, Dheeraj Kumar and Naman Tanwar won their weight classes in Vishakapatnam.

The number of the boxers was 311 in the Indian National Boxing Championships which shows the big potential of the country in our sport. India achieved a sensational bronze medal in the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships and their best male elite talents were successful also the Tashkent 2017 ASBC



Asian Confederation Boxing Championships.

Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympian Shyam Kumar Kakara is India's best light flyweight (49kg) boxer who showed all of his potential in the National Championships. The 21-year-old talent eliminated one of his main rival, Vipin Kumar and following that success he was too strong for Lal Biak Kima in the gold medal bout.

Salman Shekh is a new face in India's boxing life who eliminated Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympian Gaurav Solanki in the preliminary stage of the competition. Following that he was able to beat national team member Laldinmawia in the final of the flyweight (52kg) while Commonwealth Games silver medallist Laishram Devendro Singh lost his preliminary bout surprisingly in Vishakapatnam.

In the absence of Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Gaurav Bidhuri another boxer who moved up from the flyweight (52kg), achieved the title of the bantamweight

(56kg). Madan Lal is also an experienced boxer in this category and he was able to do his very best against Santosh Harijan in the title contest.

Former ASBC Asian Champion and two-time Olympian Shiva Thapa achieved silver in the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships but he was not able to win the title of the lightweight (60kg) in Vishakapatnam. Manish Kaushik, who had great junior and youth career previously, defeated ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Ankush Dahiya and India's star Shiva Thapa in the national events causing big sensations with his successes.

Dheeraj Kumar moved up to the light welterweight (64kg) in the recent months and he used up all of his international experiences in Vishakapatnam. He eliminated India's top teenage hope Ankit Khatana and walked over to the title against Basant Thapa. The 23-year-old boxer proved he is among India's bests and has got great potential for 2018.

India's Commonwealth Games winner and two-time Olympian veteran Manoj Kumar did enough in the final of the welterweight (69kg) against Duryodhan Singh and won his next national title. Mandeep Jangra moved up to the middleweight (75kg) and the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships silver medallist talent defeated all of his rivals including Venhlimpuia in the final.

Manish Panwar was in the Top8 at the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships but he lost his Box-off and could not qualify for the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships. The 24-year-old Indian light heavyweight (81kg) boxer eliminated Brijesh Yadav in the semi-final and walked over to the title against Neel Kamal Singh who was unable to box in the title contest.

AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Naman Tanwar won his first ever national elite title after beating Varinder Kumar at the heavyweight (91kg). India's two best boxers at the super heavyweight (+91kg),



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE INDIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

49 kg: Shyam Kumar Kakara

52 kg: Salman Shekh

56 kg: Madan Lal

60 kg: Manish Kaushik

64 kg: Dheeraj Kumar

69 kg: Manoj Kumar

75 kg: Mandeep Jangra

81 kg: Manish Panwar

91 kg: Naman Tanwar

+91 kg: Satish Kumar

Satish Kumar and Parveen Kumar met for the title in the final. This time AIBA World Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Satish Kumar won their top contest in Vishakapatnam.

ISLAMIC SOLIDARITY GAMES WINNER ARSLANBEK ACHILOV WON THE TURKMENISTAN NATIONAL CUP IN HIS NEW WEIGHT CLASS

The Turkmenistan National Cup for the elite women and elite men boxers was held in the city of Ashgabat which was the last big competition in the country this year. Turkmenistan's Islamic Solidarity Games winner Arslanbek Achilov moved up to the heavyweight (91kg) and won the title in his new category with top performance.

Turkmenistan achieved one bronze medal in the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Tashkent and their top squad took also one title in the Islamic Solidarity Games in Baku half year ago. The former successful Russian national coach Mr. Aleksandr Lebziak joined to Turkmenistan's boxing life earlier this year.



Women boxing was launched in Turkmenistan in 2009 and their boxers attended also in the 2010 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships in Astana but after that

participation the female part of the sport did not develop in the Central Asian country.

Following a few poor years in women's boxing their first national winners have

been crowned in Ashgabat: Lebap's Yulduz Madyarova (51kg), Dashoguz's Cemen Durdygylyjova (54kg) and Ashgabat's Ogulnur Hudaybergenova (69kg).

The first male gold medal of the Turkmenistan National Cup was achieved by Ashgabat's Dayanch Annaseidov who is three-time National Champion at the light flyweight (49kg) and has been competing in the international events since 2015. The 24-year-old boxer was too smart for Lebab's Jabbar Meyliyev and secured his next title in Turkmenistan.

Turkmenistan's most experienced national team member Lebab's Zariip Jumayev has been competing in the international tournaments since 2009. He was the lone boxer from Turkmenistan who could beat a Cuban opponent in the recent years, therefore his success over Shokhrat Yesenov was not a surprise at the flyweight (52kg).

Ashgabat's ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships competitor Begench Alimov claimed bronze medal in the 2017 Turkmenistan National Championships. The 19-year-old bantamweight (56kg) boxer was silver medallist in the last National Cup which he changed to gold now after beating Mansur Salimov in the final.

Ashgabat's Hursand Imankuliyev attended in the 2015 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships following his junior and youth successes. The 21-year-old lightweight (60kg) boxer is a top national team member in Turkmenistan who continued his winning series in his homeland and defeated ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships competitor Yazmyrat Gurbanov and Arslan Urunov in the final stages of the National Cup.

Ashgabat's National Championships silver medallist and Youth National

Champion 20-year-old Togrulbeg Pazyzyev eliminated National Champion Sunnet Annaseidov in the semi-final of the light welterweight (64kg) and continued his strong performance against Shokhrat Durdiyev in the final. ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships bronze medallist Muhammet Berdibayev took only bronze in the National Cup.

Ashgabat's Sapardurdy Bagiyev achieved bronze medal in the last edition of the Turkmenistan National Cup but after his strong attitude in the trainings he was able to beat all of his rivals including Rahim Atabayev in the final of the welterweight (69kg). ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships competitor Serdar Amangeldiyev claimed only bronze medal in the National Cup.

Ashgabat's Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships competitor Azizbek Achilov dominated the middleweight (75kg) and defeated veteran Rasul Yuldashev and Ovezgeldi Garajayev in the final stages. Dashoguz's first gold medal was taken by 2015 National Cup winner Ustabek Samandarov at the light heavyweight (81kg) following his superb performance against Yazmuhammet Orazov in the final of the event.

Lebab's Islamic Solidarity Games winner Arslanbek Achilov is Turkmenistan's No.1 boxer who moved up to the heavyweight (91kg) this time but dominated all of his fights in Ashgabat and defeated Dovlet Matsharipov in the final. Lebab's last title was achieved by National Champion Shokhrat Pirimanov who defeated tough Tejen Hommadov in the final of the super heavyweight (+91kg).



WINNERS IN THE TURKMENISTAN NATIONAL CUP

Women's 51 kg: Yulduz Madyarova

Women's 54 kg: Cemen Durdygylyjova

Women's 69 kg: Ogulnur Hudaybergenova

Men's 49 kg: Dayanch Annaseidov

Men's 52 kg: Zariip Jumayev

Men's 56 kg: Begench Alimov

Men's 60 kg: Hursand Imankuliyev

Men's 64 kg: Togrulbeg Pazyzyev

Men's 69 kg: Sapardurdy Bagiyev

Men's 75 kg: Azizbek Achilov

Men's 81 kg: Ustabek Samandarov

Men's 91 kg: Arslanbek Achilov

Men's +91 kg: Shokhrat Pirimanov

ALDOMS SUGURO, SUNAN AGUNG AMORAGAM AND AINUN AZIZAH WERE THE YOUNG STARS IN THE INDONESIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS



The Indonesian National Boxing Championships was held in Pangkal Pinang which city is the biggest one in the island of Bangka. The Indonesian boxers have been preparing hard to the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games where their talents can show their skills in the front of the home crowd. Their SEA Games winner star Aldoms Suguro and super talented Sunan Agung Amoragam both won their weight classes with top performance in the national event.

The number of the boxers was altogether 189 in the Indonesian National Championships in Pangkal Pinang. Among them 46 competed in the female part of the competition and 143 athletes attended in the men's weight classes which shows the potential of Indonesia's boxing before their Jakarta 2018 Asian Games.

The first gold medal of the Indonesian National Boxing Championships was achieved by a young talent, Endang at the women's light flyweight (48kg) who eliminated former national team member Angelina Niis in the semi-final and continued her winning series in the final against Helpiarni Sijabat.

Ainun Azizah achieved silver medal in the ASEAN Youth Boxing Championships in Saraburi, Thailand this March where she proved her sensational skills. The 18-year-

old teenage hope arrived to the event as one of the main favourite of the women's flyweight (51kg) and she was able to accomplish her target after beating Novita Sinadia in the title contest of the event.

Huswatun Hasanah is another young talent in the Indonesian women's boxing who competed in the recent national events successfully. The 19-year-old boxer trained hard in the recent one year following her silver medal in the Indonesian National Games which she changed to gold at the lightweight (60kg) following her success over Vinka Defri Bambuta.

The remaining gold medals of the women part of the Indonesian National Championships were achieved by Jubaitul (54kg), Karmila (57kg) and Ari Marsiana (64kg). Jubaitul defeated Suzen Simangunsong in the final of the bantamweight (54kg) which was a spectacular contest in Pangkal Pinang.

The first gold medal in the men's part of the event was taken by Frejon Sahuleka who walker over to the title of the pinweight (46kg) following that German Hutagaol was unable to box against him. The men's light flyweight (49kg) final saw a big surprise when Ingatan Ilahi defeated President's Cup winner 23-year-old Mario Kali by unanimous decision and proved he has got enough boxing knowledge to compete in the international events.

Aldoms Suguro won the gold medal in the Southeast Asian Games and also in the Ulaanbaatar Box Cup this year therefore the 23-year-old talent was the top favourite at the flyweight (52kg) in the national event. Suguro had to do his very

best in the title contest against Valentinus Nahak but finally his hand was raised after the last gong.

Sunan Agung Amoragam achieved the gold medal in the Indonesian National Games one year ago and since then he moved up to the bantamweight (56kg). The 20-year-old boxer was not only won his weight class but he received the Best Man Boxer Trophy following his successes over former SEA Games winner Julio Bria and Rahmad Febriansyah in the final stages of the event. ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Simon Makarawe lost his first contest and travelled back to home with a lack of any medal.

Farrand Papendang competed in the last two editions of the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Bangkok and also in Tashkent therefore he had all of the experiences to win the difficult lightweight (60kg) in the event. The 24-year-old boxer defeated national team member Matius Mandiangan in the final while National Games winner Gresty Alfons achieved only bronze this time.

Makhel Robbed is a new face in Indonesia's boxing life but he was able to take the title of the light welterweight (64kg) following his success over Libertus Gah. The welterweight (69kg) also saw serious surprises as the winner of the category was National Games silver medallist Saputra Samada who defeated Savon Simangunsong in the title contest. National team member Saroha Tua Lumbantobing claimed bronze while veteran Vinky Montolalu lost his first bout.

Bram Hendra Betaubun was quarter-finalist in the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Tashkent half year ago and he proved tough performance in the National Championships. The tough middleweight (75kg) boxer eliminated National Games winner Sandiyarto Deno Feroza in the semi-final and he was also too strong for Jannes Siregar in the title contest.

National Games bronze medallist Taufan Paransa has been competing in the national events since 2011 therefore he had enough experiences to beat Rahman in the final of the light heavyweight (81kg). Former Southeast Asian Games bronze medallist Riko Amanupunyo is a veteran boxer who defeated 19-year-old hope Brandon Joey Haurissa and Marzuki Panggabean in the final stages of the heavyweight (91kg).



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE INDONESIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's 48 kg: Endang

Women's 51 kg: Ainun Azizah

Women's 54 kg: Jubaitul

Women's 57 kg: Karmila

Women's 60 kg: Huswatun Hasanah

Women's 64 kg: Ari Marsiana

Men's 46 kg: Frejon Sahuleka

Men's 49 kg: Ingatan Ilahi

Men's 52 kg: Aldoms Suguro

Men's 56 kg: Sunan Agung Amoragam

Men's 60 kg: Farrand Papendang

Men's 64 kg: Makhel Robbed

Men's 69 kg: Saputra Samada

Men's 75 kg: Bram Hendra Betaubun

Men's 81 kg: Taufan Paransa

Men's 91 kg: Riko Amanupunyo

KOSALA NILMINI AND DINIDU SAPARAMADU WON THE SRI LANKAN NATIONAL TRIALS IN COLOMBO

The Sri Lankan National Women's and Men's Trials was held for a selection for the 2018 Commonwealth Games. The capital city of Sri Lanka, Colombo hosted the event where Sri Lanka's best boxers such as Kosala Nilmini, Keshani Hansika, Thiwanka Sandaruwan Ranasinghe and Dushan Dinidu Saparamadu all won the titles.

The next edition of the Commonwealth Games will be held in Gold Coast, Australia in April 2018 and the event was a selection for that important multisport competition. Sri Lanka competed in the recent editions of the Commonwealth Games with some successes and the South Asian country is hoping to get a medal in Gold Coast.

Kosala Nilmini, who is Sri Lanka's most technician female boxer, dominated the Layton Cup in Colombo and following that traditional event she was able to beat her main national rival, AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships competitor Erandi Gimhani De Silva in a close final at the women's light flyweight (48kg).

ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships competitor Dulani Anuradha Jayasinghe is their best woman flyweight (51kg) boxer who performed well enough and defeated H.S. Priyadarshani in the gold medal



bout. M.A.S.S. Cooray is a national team member boxer but she was not able to get the title of the bantamweight (54kg) in the National Trials following her narrow loss to Sewandhi Thalgaspitiya.

Sri Lanka's most experienced international female boxer Kasthuri Keshani Hansika lost in the final of the Layton Cup which was a big surprise but she was able to keep her focus and defeated all of her rivals in the National Trials. Krismi Ayoma Dulanjani Dharmatilake shocked Borala Liyanage Sadareka in the final of the women's lightweight (60kg) and bagged an unexpected title against her strong rival.

Veteran Sri Lankan boxers shined at the women's middleweight (75kg) which was finally won by ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships bronze medallist Dapana Durage Shiromala Weerarathna. She defeated South Asian Games silver medallist Andaraweera Nilanthi in the semi-final and I.W.S.S. Chandrasekara in the title bout.

The men's light flyweight (49kg) saw big battles between the best Sri Lankan boxers but finally their ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships competitor 25-year-old Thiwanka Sandaruwan Ranasinghe achieved the title in this important category. He eliminated Sanjeeva Nuwan in the semi-final and proved also strong performance in the final against R.M.P. Dharmasena.

The men's flyweight (52kg) delivered also top title contest which was finally won by the favourite Seneviratne Bandara who triumphed over Muthukurage Malith Prabashwara. Athuwulage Kasun

Maduranga shocked the main favourite at the bantamweight (56kg), Ruwan Weerakoddi and following his lethal punches the referee confirmed his unexpected RSC success in the third round.

ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Dushan Dinidu Saparamadu competed well this year and qualified for also to the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships. The 25-year-old Sri Lankan No.1 boxer, who achieved medals in several international events this year, dominated his final against R.W.M.S.B. Rajakaruna at the light welterweight (64kg).

Mohamed Younus Dilshan returned to the world of boxing and he has done a big sensation in the semi-finals of the welterweight (69kg) when he was able to beat Sisira Kumarasinghe and following that success he was also too strong for Asanka Rajapaksha in the final. The middleweight (75kg) gold medal went to W.M.G.K.G.I. Ariyaratne who defeated veteran Mailawa Divarathne in the final of the event.

Doha International Tournament bronze medallist Gallage Ajith Nevil Fernando regained his national title at the light heavyweight (81kg) following his victory over W.A.R. Sadakelum while favourite Ambagasange Gedara Kav Gunarathna achieved only bronze. Sri Lanka's top super heavyweight (+91kg) boxer Lahiru Tharanga B. Rathnadiwakara was unstoppable by his main rivals as Addurakaram Rallage Thilakarathne and M.W.M.M. Meegasthenna in their Nationals Trials.



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE SRI LANKAN NATIONAL TRIALS

Women's 48 kg: Athwuda Achchilage Kosala Nilmini

Women's 51 kg: Dulani Anuradha Jayasinghe

Women's 54 kg: Sewandhi Thalgaspitiya

Women's 57 kg: Kasthuri Keshani Hansika

Women's 60 kg: Krismi Ayoma Dulanjani Dharmatilake

Women's 64 kg: A.M.P. Athapaththu

Women's 69 kg: Thanuja Nilakshi Dharmasena

Women's 75 kg: Dapana Durage Shiromala Weerarathna

Men's 49 kg: Thiwanka Sandaruwan Ranasinghe

Men's 52 kg: M.V.I.R. Seneviratne Bandara

Men's 56 kg: Athuwulage Kasun Maduranga

Men's 60 kg: M.B.A.J. Vimukthi Kumara

Men's 64 kg: Dushan Dinidu Saparamadu

Men's 69 kg: Mohamed Younus Dilshan

Men's 75 kg: W.M.G.K.G.I. Ariyaratne

Men's 81 kg: Gallage Ajith Nevil Fernando

Men's 91 kg: Jayaweera Patabendige Namal Nishshanka Jayaweera

Men's +91 kg: Lahiru Tharanga B. Rathnadiwakara



ASBC ASIAN CONFEDERATION JUNIOR BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS SILVER MEDALLIST UMAR KUBANYCHBEK UULU WAS THE BEST BOXER IN THE KYRGYZ YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Kyrgyz Youth National Championships was held in the city of Osh where their future stars such as Umar Kubanychbek Uulu, Nuradin Rustambek Uulu, Musa Teshebeyev, Sanjar Seidakmatov, Akhmed Usupov and Adilet Egemberdi Uulu all won their weight classes in the south part of the Republic.

Boxers who were born in 2000 and 2001 were eligible to compete in the Kyrgyz Youth National Championships in Osh. This age group relates already for the 2018 youth competitions which shows the strategic preparation of the Kyrgyz Boxing Federation. Altogether 137 youth male boxers attended in the national event in the historical city of Osh and ten champions have been crowned.

The Kyrgyz Youth National Championships was also the first selection event for the upcoming big events which will be held in 2018 including the next edition of the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships which will be the qualification event for the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

Sultan Asankul Uulu was Junior National Champion at the 44kg earlier this year and the 16-year-old boxer joined to the youth boxers. He has put up muscles in the recent months and not only competed at the light flyweight (49kg) but he defeated Osh-based Khusniddin Dadakhodzhayev and Zhumabek Ergeshov in the final stages.

Astashenkov Junior Memorial Tournament winner Musa Teshebayev of Osh region lost his opening contest at the 2017 Kyrgyz Junior National Championships which was a big sensation. Following that loss he increased his rhythm in the trainings and returned in the Kyrgyz Youth National Championships in top shape. The Children of Asia Games competitor defeated strong athletes as Bekzat Azizbekov, Kalys Akelbayev, Islam Nurlanbekov and Aitbek Asan Uulu during his road to the title at the flyweight (52kg).

Bishkek's Children of Asia Games bronze medallist Sanjar Seidakmatov

joined to the youth age group this January but his current skills were enough to beat experienced rivals in all of the national events in 2017. The ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships competitor stopped all of his opponents during his road to the final of the bantamweight (56kg) and walked over to the title as his last rival Asan Abdykadyrov was unable to box against him. Chui region's Akim Prizes Junior Tournament silver medallist Dastan Ormonov lost his semi-final and achieved only bronze medal in Osh.

Dzhalal-Abad region's Umar Kubanychbek Uulu claimed silver medal in the 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships in Puerto Princesa and following that amazing success he was able to win the lightweight (60kg) in the city of Osh. The 16-year-old talent eliminated Junior National Champion Rysbek Bektenov in the semi-final and he needed to do his very best to beat an older rival, Bishkek's Bayel Toktombayev in the final. Favourites as ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships bronze medallist Aidar Oroskulov and Junior National Champion Azat Marat Uulu travelled back to home in a lack of any medals.

Issyk-Kul region's ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships bronze medallist Adilet Egemberdi Uulu is Kyrgyzstan's next big youth hope who moved up to the light welterweight (64kg). The 17-year-old boxer eliminated Osh region's Heydar Aliyev Junior Cup bronze medallist Sabyrbek Talantbek Uulu in the semi-final and triumphed over Chui region's Junior National Champion Ernis Atabek Uulu

in the final of the event. Children of Asia Games winner Ilgiz Matmusayev claimed only bronze medal in the national event in Osh after his loss to Ernis Atabek Uulu.

Dzhalal-Abad region's Nuradin Rustambek Uulu was the first boxer in the recent years who was able to win the gold medal in the strong Heydar Aliyev Junior Cup in Azerbaijan this June. The 16-year-old boxer moved up to the welterweight (69kg) controlled all of his contests in the Kyrgyz Youth National Championships including his final fight against Osh region's Shokhrukh Beknazarov.

Chui region's Youth National Champion and Issyk-Kul Junior Cup winner Dastan Zhumabek Uulu won also the Kyrgyz Youth National Spartakyad earlier this year. The Kyrgyz middleweight (75kg) hope, who proved sensational performance in the whole year, stopped Talas region's Junior National Champion Kerimbay Erkinov in the semi-final and defeated Bektur Maratbekov in the final of the event.

Chui region's Beket Makhmutov Youth Tournament silver medallist Ilyaz Niyazov stopped all of his rivals in the Kyrgyz Youth National Spartakyad earlier this year and he opened the Youth National Championships with two quick victories against Temirlan Sultanaliyev and Urmat Bektursunov. The 17-year-old light heavyweight (81kg) boxer had to box until the end of the final bell against Junior National Champion Islam Abdykadyr Uulu but his efforts were enough to beat his younger rival.

Bishkek's Islam Bektenov took silver medal in the Kyrgyz Youth National Spartakyad at the super heavyweight (+91kg) this May. The 17-year-old boxer moved back one category and stopped Chui region's Akzhol



WINNERS IN THE KYRGYZ YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 49 kg: Sultan Asankul Uulu, 2001
- 52 kg: Musa Teshebayev, 2001
- 56 kg: Sanjar Seidakmatov, 2000
- 60 kg: Umar Kubanychbek Uulu, 2001
- 64 kg: Adilet Egemberdi Uulu, 2000
- 69 kg: Nuradin Rustambek Uulu, 2001
- 75 kg: Dastan Zhumabek Uulu, 2000
- 81 kg: Ilyaz Niyazov, 2000
- 91 kg: Islam Bektenov, 2000
- +91 kg: Akhmed Usupov, 2001

Raimkulov in the semi-final and walked over to the title against Osh region's Youth National Spartakyad silver medallist Bekali Abdisatarov.

Kyrgyzstan had several problems to find a top boxer at the super heavyweight (+91kg) in the recent years but Akhmed Usupov of Bishkek could be their best future weapon. The 16-year-old boxer, who won the Margilan International Junior Tournament in Uzbekistan and achieved bronze in the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships, was able to beat Bishkek's Bunyod Yansupov in a close final.



21 CHAMPIONS HAVE BEEN CROWNED IN THE UAE SHEIKH MOHAMMAD BIN HAMAD ALSHARQI NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN FUJAIRAH

The United Arab Emirates Boxing Federation hosted its Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad AlSharqi National Boxing Championships in the city of Fujairah which is located in the coastline of the Gulf of Oman. The event was held for the elite, youth, junior and schoolboys boxers as well and saw 21 new champions in Fujairah.

The number of the boxers in the Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad Alsharqi National Boxing Championships was 10 schoolboys, 20 male juniors, 7 youth boxers and 35 elite athletes. Altogether 72 male boxers competed for the titles in the event in the Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad Alsharqi National Boxing Championships in Fujairah.

United Arab Emirates sent seven boxers to the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships to Puerto Princesa which was record in their boxing history. United Arab Emirates Boxing Federation also attended in the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships which was their first historical participation in the men's elite level.

The gold medals in the schoolboys part of the Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad Alsharqi National Boxing Championships was achieved by Yousif Al-Shokari, Nawaf Ali and Zayed Al-Dahwari. Boxers who were born in 2003 and in 2004 were eligible to compete in their national event in Fujairah.

Ali Al-Kharoosi competed in the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships in Puerto Princesa and his international experiences were enough to beat all of his rivals in the junior flyweight (50kg). Ali's brother Saif Al-Kharoosi also controlled his contests in Fujairah and defeated Nahyan Ali in the final of the junior light bantamweight (52kg).

Another brother duo Saif Mosabbah Al-Riyami and ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships bronze medallist Nawaf Mosabbah Al-Riyami

also won their weight classes in the junior part of the Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad Alsharqi National Boxing Championships in Fujairah, dominating their fights.

Amer Al-Suwaider has got also experiences from the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships which delivered for him a clear success over Saif Rashed Al-Kendi in the title contest of their national event. Fujairah's Mohamed Abdelwahed delivered a small surprise in the final of the junior heavyweight (+80kg) where he was able to beat ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Saoud Rashid Al-Barout.

In the youth part of the Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad Alsharqi National Boxing Championships Khalifa Al-Swedi and Salem Al-Meshjari were the winners of the flyweight (52kg) and the bantamweight (56kg). Khalifa Al-Swedi defeated Sultan Al-Baloshi in the final while Salem Al-Meshjari was too strong for Abdullah Al-Shamshi.

The first gold medal in the elite section was achieved by Fujairah's Abdullah Al-Mullah who won the gold medal in the 2016 Gulf Countries Tournament and competed also in the AIBA Asian & Oceanian Olympic Qualification Event. The experienced boxer triumphed over Police's Ahmad Al-Mesmari in the final of the flyweight (52kg).

Majed Walied delivered a small sensation in the Sheikh Mohammad Bin Hamad Alsharqi National Boxing Championships where he defeated ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing

Championships competitor Shehab Al-Dhabari in the final of the lightweight (60kg). Arab Youth Championships bronze medallist Fahad Al-Khoori of Abu Dhabi moved up to the welterweight (69kg) and the teenager was excellent in the final against Abdullah Al-Hajri.

Gulf Countries Tournament winner Ibrahim Al-Zaabi is a veteran boxer at

the heavyweight (91kg) who returned to the world of boxing after a short break and dominated his final against Hamad Al-Meamari. The super heavyweight (+91kg) is a stronger category in United Arab Emirates' boxing life and their new champion is Rahma Al-Rahma who overwhelmed Hamdan Al-Afif in the title contest.



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE UAE SHEIKH MOHAMMAD BIN HAMAD ALSHARQI NATIONAL BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Schoolboys 40 kg: Yousif Al-Shokari

Schoolboys 55 kg: Nawaf Ali

Schoolboys 60 kg: Zayed Al-Dahwari

Junior 50 kg: Ali Al-Kharoosi

Junior 52 kg: Saif Al-Kharoosi

Junior 57 kg: Abdullah Mohammed

Junior 63 kg: Saif Mosabbah Al-Riyami

Junior 70 kg: Amer Al-Suwaider

Junior 80 kg: Nawaf Mosabbah Al-Riyami

Junior +80 kg: Mohamed Abdelwahed

Youth 52 kg: Khalifa Al-Swedi

Youth 56 kg: Salem Al-Meshjari

Elite 52 kg: Abdullah Al-Mullah

Elite 56 kg: Sultan Al-Nemi

Elite 60 kg: Majed Walied

Elite 64 kg: Ahmed Mohsen

Elite 69 kg: Fahad Al-Khoori

Elite 75 kg: Fahad Al-Balush

Elite 81 kg: Saeed Mohsen

Elite 91 kg: Ibrahim Al-Zaabi

Elite +91 kg: Rahma Al-Rahma



MOHAMED KHER MOUSATAT WINS IN THE SYRIAN NATIONAL CUP

The Syrian National Cup was held by the Syrian Boxing Federation for their men's elite boxers in their capital city in Damascus to raise the experiences and check their current skills before 2018. Their top boxers such as the Ghossoun brothers won the titles of the event but the best boxer award was gone to Mohamed Kher Mousatat.

In spite of the Civil War and political crisis in the country, boxing is still important and competitive in Syria which is thankful to ASBC EC member and President of the Syrian Boxing Association Mr. Issa Al-Nassar and their whole boxing family. Five of the Syrian boxers advanced to the Top8 in the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships and their bests were able to win medals in the Islamic Solidarity Games in Baku half year ago.

Army's Housen Al-Masri is an experienced boxer at the light flyweight (49kg) who competed also in the last editions of

the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Bangkok and Tashkent as well. He claimed several medals in the recent AOB competitions and won the gold at the Islamic Solidarity Games. The 26-year-old boxer was too strong for Mosab Al-Soudan in the final of the event and bagged his next national title.

Marwan Doumerieh, who came from a traditional boxing family, is an experienced boxer at the flyweight (52kg) who controlled his final against Yamen Hasan in Damascus. The gold medal of the bantamweight (56kg) went to Majd Aldeen Jabolee who used the

best tactic against Damascus International Tournament winner Jafar Fahed and celebrated his title after the final gong.

Abdelkader Dawajee lost to Mohammed Deeb in the final of the 2017 Syrian National Championships but his efforts were enough to do revenge in their repeat match at the National Cup. Mohamed Kher Mousatat was involved to the national team in 2015 and he could be ready to win contests also in the international events next year. The Army boxer knocked out all of his rivals in the Syrian National Cup including Okar Akhetear in the final of the light welterweight (64kg).

Abdelmouen Aziz is a veteran boxer in Syria who was in the Top 8 at the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships and qualified for the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships where he was not able to box due visa problems. Aziz, who moved back to the welterweight (69kg) this time, did enough to beat Damascus International Tournament winner Khader Obaydah in the title contest.

Ahmad Ghossoun is Syria's best boxer currently who claimed bronze medal in the 2015 edition of the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Bangkok and silver in the 2014 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships. The 21-year-old top talent dominated his final against Basher Issa and the referee confirmed his RSC success at the middleweight (75kg).

Damascus International Tournament winner Yahia Taha is the current National Champion at the light heavyweight (81kg) who proved top performance against Abdul Rahman Al-Aani who moved up one



WINNERS IN THE SYRIAN NATIONAL CUP

49 kg: Housen Al-Masri

52 kg: Marwan Doumerieh

56 kg: Majd Aldeen Jabolee

60 kg: Abdelkader Dawajee

64 kg: Mohamed Kher Mousatat

69 kg: Abdelmouen Aziz

75 kg: Ahmad Ghossoun

81 kg: Yahia Taha

91 kg: Alaaldin Ghossoun

+91 kg: Manaf Asaad

category in the recent months. Taha worked well in the whole year and he could be a good option for the Syrian head coach to involve him to the national squad.

Syria's top national team member Alaaldin Ghossoun, who competed all of the important international tournaments excluding the Olympic Games, used his strong punches against Qayez Mahfouz and defended his throne at the heavyweight (91kg). The super heavyweight (+91kg) title was won by Islamic Solidarity Games silver medallist Manaf Asaad, who is member of the national team since 2010, and did not give any chance to Mohamed Al-Fandi.

FAQIHI, AL-FAIFI AND AL-JASSAS SHINED IN THE SAUDI ARABIAN QUALIFYING NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Saudi Arabian Qualifying National Championships was held in the city of Abha where 10 champions have been crowned in the event. Their elite No.1, Gulf Countries Tournament winner Sajad Ali Al-Jassas became the best boxer proving his talent once again in a national elite competition.

The previous President of the Syrian Boxing Federation, AIBA Supervisor Mr. Mohamed Kamel Shbib has been working for the country's successes and future developments. The Saudi Arabian Boxing Federation has got strategic plans for long term and signed with Egyptian and Cuban coaches as well to develop boxing in the country.

The Saudi Arabians competed in the ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships in Puerto Princesa with five boxers which meant the country returned to the continental boxing map after a long hiatus. Saudi Arabia is focusing to the grassroots of the sport and trying to build up teams in all age groups.

The first gold medal in the Saudi Arabian Qualifying National Championships was achieved by National Championships silver medallist Moutieb Aoud Al-Dosari of Damak who defeated Ryan Ali Al-Sider of Riyadh in the final of the light flyweight (49kg). The second was taken by Fares Ayed Al-Mitani of Oqaz who was too strong for Omar

Ali Mashnoq of Damak in the final of the flyweight (52kg).

A promising young talent, 20-year-old Sajad Ali Al-Jassas is one of the biggest talent in Saudi Arabia's boxing life who won the title in the Gulf Countries Tournament in 2016. Al Taraji's best boxer dominated all of the rounds against Abdulrahman Touban of Oqaz and won his next national title at the bantamweight (56kg).

Al Taraji's next gold medal was captured by their newcomer Abdellah Ali Al-Mohamed who defeated Ammar Abdellah Khotani at the lightweight (60kg). Damak's Talal Ahmad Mohamed is also a new name in Saudi Arabia's boxing life who did great job in his first big event. Khalid Ahmad Khabrani moved up to the welterweight (69kg) and following his national title in 2016 he was able to beat all of his rivals including Hassan Ahmad Shnaq in the gold medal bout.

Salem Ahmed Faqihi is an experienced boxer who competed already in the international events in 2011 including an AIBA World Boxing Championships as



well. He won the last edition of the Saudi Arabian Open National Championships in July and continued his winning path against Yahya Aoud Al-Dosari in the final of the middleweight (75kg).

Ahmed Jaber Al-Faifi is also an experienced boxer in the national team who moved up to the light heavyweight (81kg) in the recent one year and the Oqaz-based boxer was impressed the judges once again in a national event. The veteran boxer dominated his final contest against Al Taraji's Salman Mirza Hamadi in the title contest.

Al Taraji's third gold medal was taken by Hashem Zaki Al-Shakhouri at the heavyweight (91kg) following his victory over Damak's Ali Yahya Haqawi. Mecca's Naser Talal Bawazer won the Saudi Arabian Open National Championships at the super heavyweight (+91kg) in July and he was able to continue his winning series following his impressive triumph over national team member veteran Turki Salem Ahmed Subyani.



LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE SAUDI ARABIAN OPEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 49 kg: Moutieb Aoud Al-Dosari
- 52 kg: Fares Ayed Al-Mitani
- 56 kg: Sajad Ali Al-Jassas
- 60 kg: Abdellah Ali Al-Mohamed
- 64 kg: Talal Ahmad Mohamed
- 69 kg: Khalid Ahmad Khabrani
- 75 kg: Salem Ahmed Faqihi
- 81 kg: Ahmad Jaber Al-Faifi
- 91 kg: Hashem Zaki Al-Shakhouri
- +91 kg: Naser Talal Bawazer



THE MOLDALY MURATALIEV JUNIOR MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT SAW 15 NEW WINNERS IN TALAS

The new edition of the Moldaly Murataliev Memorial Tournament was held in the city of Talas in Kyrgyzstan where the region's top junior boxers met in an international event. Uzbekistan's Bekzod Turdialiyev, Kyrgyzstan's Azat Marat Uulu and Kazakhstan's Sultan Babakhanov were the bests in the Moldaly Murataliev Junior Memorial Tournament.

The event gave chance to the youngest boxers to represent their countries in an international boxing competition. The competition was held for the next year's junior age group therefore boxers who were born in 2002 and 2003 could attend in the Moldaly Murataliev Junior Memorial Tournament in Talas.

Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan sent their boxers to the Moldaly Murataliev Junior Memorial Tournament to Talas where 15 new champions have been crowned. The event was also the

first preparation competition for the 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships.

The first gold medal of the Moldaly Murataliev Junior Memorial Tournament remained in Kyrgyzstan following Kurmanbek Kadyrov's success over his teammate Bekzhan Nurbek Uulu at the 40kg weight class. Anvar Khodzhiyev and Jasurbek Kamilov both won their weight classes for the host nation's squad in Talas.

Kyrgyzstan's Yerlan Yesenkulov eliminated Kazakhstan's Syrym Lesbay in the semi-finals

and continued his winning path against his compatriot Ravil Ibragimov in the gold medal bout of the pinweight (46kg). The final verdict was unanimous decision to Yesenkulov who proved his talent in the city of Talas.

Bekzod Turdialiyev achieved several top results in the national events in Uzbekistan and moved up to the light flyweight (48kg) in the recent weeks which was a great decision from his coaches. The 15-year-old Uzbek talent captured the gold medal after beating Kyrgyzstan's Baktybek Sadyrbek Uulu in the final.

One of the best fight in the whole Moldaly Murataliev Junior Memorial Tournament was delivered by Kyrgyzstan's Azamat Yermekbay Uulu and ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Bayaman Magzymov who was the most experienced at the flyweight (50kg). Finally Yermekbay Uulu's hand was raised after the last gong which was a small surprise in the competition.

Uzbekistan's second gold medal was delivered by Anvarjon Sidikjonov who was too quick for Kyrgyzstan's Arstan Urkunchiyev in the final of the bantamweight (54kg). Kazakhstan's lone gold medal in the Moldaly Murataliev Junior Memorial Tournament was achieved by Sultan Babakhanov who defeated Kyrgyzstan's Maksim Ivashchenko in his respective final.

Kyrgyzstan's Azat Marat Uulu and Uzbekistan's Azimjon Ergashev met for the title of the lightweight (60kg) and the host nation's pride was able to defeat his top rival in Talas. Uzbekistan's third gold medal was delivered by Khasan Musakhanov while his teammate Ibrokhimjon Ortikov won their fourth in Talas.



LIST TO THE WINNERS IN THE MOLDALY MURATALIEV JUNIOR MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

- 40 kg: Kurmanbek Kadyrov, Kyrgyzstan
- 42 kg: Anvar Khodzhiyev, Kyrgyzstan
- 44 kg: Jasurbek Kamilov, Kyrgyzstan
- 46 kg: Yerlan Yesenkulov, Kyrgyzstan
- 48 kg: Bekzod Turdialiyev, Uzbekistan
- 50 kg: Azamat Yermekbay Uulu, Kyrgyzstan
- 52 kg: Sagyn Satymbaldy Uulu, Kyrgyzstan
- 54 kg: Anvarjon Sidikjonov, Uzbekistan
- 57 kg: Sultan Babakhanov, Kazakhstan
- 60 kg: Azat Marat Uulu, Kyrgyzstan
- 63 kg: Khasan Musakhanov, Uzbekistan
- 66 kg: Baygazy Malik Uulu, Kyrgyzstan
- 70 kg: Ibrokhimjon Ortikov, Uzbekistan
- 75 kg: Eldiyar Zhangaziyev, Kyrgyzstan
- +75 kg: Khamit Aliyev, Kyrgyzstan

Kyrgyzstan's junior No.1 Baygazy Malik Uulu stopped Tajikistan's Okildzhan Isayev in the semi-final and his stamina was enough to beat Uzbekistan's Lutfullo Khabibullayev in the final of the welterweight (66kg). Kyrgyzstan's strong duo in the highest weight classes as Eldiyar Zhangaziyev and Khamit Aliyev took the last titles in Talas.



UPCOMING EVENTS IN DECEMBER 2017

NOVEMBER 28-DECEMBER 3, 2017

Kamil Safin Youth Memorial Tournament, Petropavlovsk, Kazakhstan

DECEMBER 1-4, 2017

Malaysian Golden Gloves Tournament, Sarawak, Malaysia

DECEMBER 4-9, 2017

Philippine National Elite & Youth Championships, Cebu, Philippines

DECEMBER 5-10, 2017

South Asian Championships, Guwahati, India

DECEMBER 7-12, 2017

Myanmar National Tournament, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar

DECEMBER 8-12, 2017

Chinese Taipei National President's Cup, Hsinchu, Chinese Taipei

DECEMBER 15-20, 2017

Uzbekistan Youth National Cup, Andizhan, Uzbekistan

DECEMBER 18-23, 2017

Galym Zharylgapov Memorial Tournament, Karagandy, Kazakhstan

DECEMBER 2017

Jordan National Selection Tournament, Amman, Jordan

DECEMBER 2017

Khayrutdinov Memorial Tournament, Almaty, Kazakhstan

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Laos National Championships, Vientiane, Laos

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Indonesian Golden Gloves Tournament, Indonesia