



**EUROPEAN
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CHAMPIONSHIP**
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WFF Presentation



World Fudokan Federation was established in 1980 by our founder **Sensei Higashiyama Univ. Prof. Ilija Jorga M.D. Ph.D. Soke 10 Dan** and counts more than **70 members** from all over the world. From that time till now, many generations of karateka have been disciples of master Sensei Ilija Jorga 10th Dan, and have promoted the teachings and values of fudokan karate throughout the world. Headquarters of the World Fudokan federation is in Belgrade, Serbia with one president office in Bucharest, Romania.

Univ. Prof. Ilija Jorga M.D. Ph.D. (Higashiyama Sensei), President of Executive board of World Fudokan federation, professor, specialist in Sport Medicine (since 1972) and Clinical Physiology (since 2007), Master of Martial arts, pioneer of Yugoslav karate, multiple European and World

champion and it's best karate instructor (Soke, 10 DAN) was born on November 15, 1940 in Belgrade, Serbia. He published more than 30 studies, mainly in the field of Sport physiology and more than 20 books and monographs in the field of karate and Sports medicine.

The term **"FUDOKAN"** in Japanese is a combination of three ideograms (不動館) involved in its written form, standing for **Stability, Hardness, Thoroughness, House and Home**. Fudokan should therefore be understood as the **"House with stable, solid foundations"**.

The Fudokan emblem – carrying the traditional symbols of Eagle, the Sun, a Tiger and an Ocean Wave, which represents our teacher and our doctrine. Fudokan was founded on November 15, 1980 when Dr. Ilija Jorga presented a new teaching and educational system, a modern continuation of Traditional karate with the application of medicine.

We are extremely pleased to invite you to participate at the **28th European Fudokan Karate Championship** May 7th to 10th, 2026. Sfantu Gheorghe - Covasna, Romania

**Once upon a time Fudokan was karate.
Now, karate is Fudokan!**

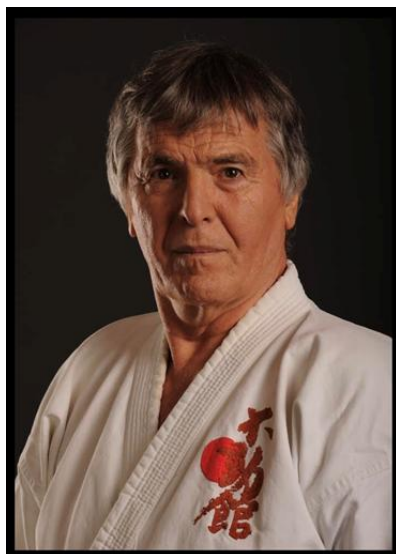
Let us start together in this mission of making fudokan karate recognizable around Europe and all around the world!

We look forward to making history together!





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***Dear WFF and European Confederation Members,
Dear Participants,***

I'm proud to represent the World Fudokan Federation (WFF), an organization dedicated to promoting education through fudokan karate across the world. Our mission is to inspire and empower you by providing opportunities to engage in competitive karate events, fostering values such as teamwork, respect and fair play.

WFF is making efforts to organize world and continental events to bring together athletes from diverse backgrounds, encouraging not only your athletic excellence but also your personal growth and cultural exchange.

Through our initiatives, we aim to enhance your educational experience, emphasizing the importance of physical activity, healthy lifestyles, and lifelong friendships.

I invite each of you to join us as we continue to champion the spirit of fudokan karate and create unforgettable experiences for the all WFF members! Your energy and enthusiasm are what make this journey truly special.

Let's make it unforgettable together!

*Univ. Prof. Dr. Phd. Ilija Jorga Soke 10 Dan ,
WFF Chairman*





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About Covasna

Covasna County, located in **Transylvania, Romania**, is a "*land of mansions*" and *Szekler culture*, offering a unique blend of authentic traditions, unspoiled nature, and mineral spas. Known for its rich Hungarian heritage, top attractions include historic fortified churches, the "*Devil's Lake*" mud volcano, and equestrian tourism.

Covasna is a town in **Covasna County**, Transylvania, Romania, at an altitude of 550–600 m. It is known for its natural mineral waters and mofettas.



For more information please access <https://visitcovasna.com/>

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About Sf. Gheorghe

The municipality of Sfântu Gheorghe (*Sepsiszentgyörgy* in Hungarian or *Sankt Georgen* in German) lays in the south-eastern corner of **Transylvania**, in the picturesque **Braşov Depression**. Archaeological evidence shows that the town of Sfântu Gheorghe was founded on the site of a settlement, dating back to the Neolithic period. Traces of the Noua, Monteoru, and Schneckenberg cultures were discovered here. Artifacts from the Bronze Age, the Dacian-Roman period (2nd – 3rd centuries), and the 10th century confirm the existence of a stable and ancient human settlement in Sfântu Gheorghe area.

Sfântu Gheorghe has long played an important strategic and commercial role. The town's importance grew considerably after the 15th century when it raised to the rank of market town and became a hub for craftsmen and merchants from across the region. In the 17th century, town of Sfântu Gheorghe went through difficult times, being devastated by the Tatar (1658) and Ottoman (1661) invasions. The town developed rapidly in the modern era. Towards the end of the 19th century, the first industrial enterprises appeared, such as the textile factory (1879) and the cigarette factory (1899). The electrification of the city was completed in 1907, and with its connection to the railway network (1891–1897), Sfântu Gheorghe became an important economic and transport hub in the region. In 1968, as part of the administrative-territorial reorganization of Romania, Sfântu Gheorghe became the seat of **Covasna County** and, in 1982 a municipality.



Sepsi Arena Polivalent Hall

The main arena of the competition will be **Sepsi Arena**. The multifunctional Sepsi Arena is the region's best venue for sporting (*basketball, football, ice hockey, ice skating, karate*) and cultural events.

Sepsi Arena in numbers and what makes your visit as a supporter or visitor comfortable:

- seats: **2. 300 fixed seats + 700 additional** mobile seats;
- parking for **400 cars** and **12 buses**;
- **1 training room**;
- **2 VIP** special rooms;
- **6** dressing rooms;
- **medical** and **doping** test room;
- **dressing rooms** for the team **officials**;
- **conference room, press room, commentator's room**;
- **ramp, disabled seats** for people with **wheelchair**;



Accommodation

Below are some of the hotels that will be provided to the participants. All hotels will be in high accommodation standards 3***Hotels and 4****Hotels.



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Hotel	Single room/person e/day	Double room/person e/day	Triple room/person e/day	Diner/pers /one meal	Maxim capacity
The B Hotel****	80€	55€	40€	20€	40
TT Hotel Covasna****	80€	55€	40€	20€	70
Hotel Clermont****	80€	55€	40€	20€	50
Hotel Caprioara****	60€	45€	40€	20€	200
Hotel Bacolux Santis Covasna***	50€	40€	35€	12€ adult 1€0 child (6-14)	150
Covasna Balnear Complex***	50€	40€	35€	15€	100
Cerbul Complex Balnear***	50€	40€	35€	15€	200

Note: Breakfast included!

Lunch box: 9 euro/package/day (lunch break each day 1.00-2.00 pm);

Tourist resort taxes are not included and will be paid personally upon check-in.

***the number of beds is limited and occupancy will be done in the order of registration**

Prices are offered by the hotels to LOC with a 20% discount from the reception/booking list only for booking accommodation through the organizer.

More information will be provided by the LOC.

The deadline for the final rooming list: Apryl 1st.2026;



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Provisional Program

DATE	PROVISIONAL ACTIVITY
Thursday 07 May 2026	Arrival of delegations Accreditation Technical Meeting Coaches&Referees Seminar Meetings (heads of delegations/coaches/field of play officials) Official training for all participants
Friday 08 May 2026	Competition Day Opening Ceremony
Saturday 09 May 2026	Competition Day
Sunday 10 May 2026	Competition Day The Finales Closing Ceremony
Monday 11 May 2026	Departure of delegations

**Please note, that the official program may be subject to change. Any relevant changes will be communicated to the registered delegations prior to the event. The draw will carry out by TOC !*



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Travelling and Visa

Ports of Entry

The following are the official ports of entry:

- ♦ International Airport „Henri Coanda” Otopeni Bucharest
- ♦ International Airport Sibiu/International Airport Brasov



Travelling & Transportation

Travel to the official ports of entry is to be arranged and financed by each participating delegation.

Delegations are to arrive on **May 07, 2026** and depart on **May 11, 2026**. To organized an extended stay for the delegation (before or after the event) is a matter of the delegation concerned. It shall not be the responsibility of the Local Organizing Committee (LOC).

LOC will ensure transportation from ports of entry to accommodation for a fee in amount of 30 euro/person/one way or according to how many members of the delegation.

Distance Sibiu to Covasna (207 km) and Bucharest to Covasna (237 km) could be covered by buses (35 or 54 person) or minivans (7 person).

Transportation can be provided for a fee:

- Brasov (airport) to accommodation hotel and back;
- Cluj Napoca (airport) to accommodation hotel and back;
- Hotel to Sepsi Arena Polivalent Sport Hall and back/day;

The price depends on the number of people and distances.

VISA

Each participating delegation is required to check whether a visa is needed to enter Romania. Please contact the related Embassy or Consulate to consult visa application procedure. For any request of invitation letters or any queries over VISA, please contact Camelia Valceanu at secretariatfudokan@gmail.com, phone: +40 729 821 278

Insurance

Each participating delegation is required to provide insurance for each member of its delegation. At a minimum, the insurance is to cover civil liability, material damage and medical costs.



REGISTRATION

How to register

All members who intend to participate in the event should fill in a **registration form**, which can be found enclosed to this invitation. All application will be sent to email fudokanchampionship@gmail.com

The registration process is divided into 2 phases:

Phase 1

February 1st, 2026 – February 20, 2026

During registration phase 1 registering delegations shall indicate their intention of participating, the number of participants with options for accommodation, transportation, others (Formular Registration Phase 1 from ANEXA). All WFF members are expected to pay the deposits for their participants or reach an agreement with the WFF by February 20, 2026.

Phase 2

March 1st – April 1st, 2026

During registration phase 2, countries are expected to send Formular Registration Phase 2 (for athletes and for technical staff – ANEXA), WFF Consent, Medical Release Formular and upload the exact detailed information for each participant in WFF ERAS and SPORTDATA SOFTWARE. In addition, submitting the travel plan and rooming list is required.

We will use SportData Software in this 2nd phase!

Registration Deadlines Summary

February 1st, 2026	Opening of registration phase 1
February 20, 2026 (23:59 CET) *deposit payment	Closing of registration phase 1
March 1 st , 2026	Opening of registration phase 2
April 1st, 2026 (23:59 CET) *final payment	Closing of registration phase 2





Financial Conditions

Please note that this section of this invitation is relevant for WFF members and Not WFF Members

To participate, each Delegation is required to make two (2) payments:

1. *Deposit payment*
2. *Balance fee payment*

DEPOSIT PAYMENT

Along with the entry and in order to have access to registration phase 2, participating country will need to pay a deposit of **20€ per participant /30€ per participant without accommodation** entered in Phase 1. The number of the participants must be send to email address: secretariat.fudokan@gmail.com

**Please note that participation to the event is granted only by the deposit payment.
Deadline of deposit payment: February 20, 2026 (23:59 CET)**

The sum will be deducted from the total participation cost, for each delegation.
The deposit must be sent as a single payment for the whole delegation by the organization responsible for national body.

- The deposit is non-refundable in the event of non-participation.
- Waivers for the payment of the deposit, for whatever reasons, are to be discussed with the WFF office and to be agreed upon before the deposit payment deadlines.

The deposit for the registered participants shall be paid by **February 20th, 2026 (23:59 CET)**

Deposit shall be paid **by bank transfer** to the following account (all bank charges are to be met by the participating country):

Asociația Cluburilor de Karate Fudokan

Headquarter: Str. Dr. Iacob Felix, Nr. 97, Bl. 17A, Sc. 2, Ap. 45, Bucuresti, Sector 1,

Fiscal Code: 44449193, IBAN: RO86BTRLEURCRT0CR4040901 EURO

BANCA TRANSILVANIA - Swift Bank: BTRLRO22XXX

BALANCE FEE PAYMENT

The balance fee payment is the participation fee minus the deposit which has already been paid.
The balance fee payment is to be paid before Apryl 1st, 2026.

This procedure will be used for payments:

- A proforma invoice will be issued based on the initial registration lists of participants;
 - Payments will be made in euros;
 - After registration of payments, a final invoice will be issued;
- For any other information LOC we will be at your disposal.**



Accreditations

Accreditations will be issued for the following categories: *officials, referees, coaches, athletes, medical staff, organizers, accompanying adults or minors.*

For the media (*reporters, photographers, cameramen, etc.*) a special accreditation will be issued upon request.

All accompanying adults or minors will have access to Sepsi Arena only on the basis of accreditation for all competition days (3) which will be issued for a fee of 15 euros/person.

All participant categories, without accreditation, will NOT have access to the competition areas.





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We are looking forward to meeting you in Romania for the 28th European Fudokan Karate Championship





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MEDIA AND COMMUNICATION

Contact information secretariat@worldfudokanfederation.com

The official results and information can be found at: <https://worldfudokanfederation.com/>

SOCIAL MEDIA GUIDELINES

Spread the word on **FUDOKAN OPEN EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2026**

The official Instagram page: **@WFF_WORLD_FUDOKAN_FEDERATION**

Use the official event hashtags: **#EUROPEANFUDOKANCHAMPIONSHIP**

Follow news on websites: <https://worldfudokanfederation.com/>

Looking forward to see you in Romania on 7-10 May 2026!

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