INVITATION LETTER

Dear Mr./Mrs. President,
Dear Sir/Madam

After having successfully organized:

- "SKOPJE OPEN RAMUS" WT G1/E1;
- "RAMUS SOFIA OPEN" WT G2/G1/E2/E1 events;

we are pleased and honored to invite you and your athletes to participate in the:

SKOPJE OPEN RAMUS 2025 - WT G1/E1

INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT

Skopje, 29 - 30 March 2025

We are committed to another successful event. As always, we adhere to the highest standards of preparation to create an ideal atmosphere for all participating teams.

We hope you have a wonderful stay in North Macedonia and the charming city of Skopje, and that you enjoy your time together with all the other members of the Taekwondo family.

We are looking forward to receiving your confirmation of participation in this event no later than March 20^{1h}, 2025.

We truly hope that we can welcome you to participate in the "SKOPJE OPEN RAMUS" INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT and wish you and your team a lot of success at this championship.

Sincerely Yours,

Dr. Borce Kostovski
/President of MTF/

Dimitar Mihaylov

/President of the Organizing Committee/

SKOPJE OPEN RAMUS

WT G1 INTERNATIONAL TAEKWONDO TOURNAMENT Skopje, 29-30 March, 2025

Promoter: Macedonia Taekwondo Federation - WT

Macedonian Olympic Committee

President: Dr. Borce Kostovski

Organizer: Taekwondo club Butel

Mr. Dimitar Mihaylov – President of the OC Mr. Iliya Dimitrov – Member of the OC

E-mails: skopje@email.com mtfskopje@email.com

Web: www.skopje-open.ramustkd.org

Sponsor: Medical Laboratory Ramus (<u>www.ramuslab.com</u>)

Ranking: Seniors - G1 event

Juniors and Cadets - E1 event

Dates: 29th and 30st March 2025

Place: Boris Trajkovski Sports Hall, Skopje, Macedonia,

13 8-mi Septemvri blvd., Skopje 1000

Map: https://maps.app.goo.gl/2ZiRMMyiodn1xdS26

Application Deadline: 23:59 (GMT+1) on 20th of March 2025

Online Registration: https://worldtkd.simplycompete.com

Entry fee and Payment: Early bird entry fee - 130 € per applied competitor <u>paid by bank</u> before

14th of February 2025;

Regular entry fee for participants paid after 14th of February 2025 – 150 €

per applied competitor paid by bank:

Late registration (by approval of the OC) – 200 € per applied competitor

after 20th of March.

200 € per applied competitor paid by cash during registration.

If an athlete registered online through the WT registration system does not take part in the competition for some reason, but he/she has not been removed from the list of participants before the deadline (20.03.2025), his/her team official must fully (100%) pay his/her entry fee for participation. The Organizing Committee does not refund entry fees paid.

The entry fees must be paid to the following bank account:

Recipient: Taekwondo club Ramus

Name of Bank: First Investment Bank, Bulgaria IBAN: BG39FINV91501203949844

BIC: FINVBGSF

Reason for payment: Team name + SOR2025

A copy of the bank transfer must be sent to:

E-mail: skopjeopen@ramustkd.org

Applications without a copy of the transfer are invalid.

All payments by bank transfer have to be done without any deduction of expenses! Any costs of the bank transfer (non-Euro zone) will be charged.

Application is only valid when payment has been made to the bank account at the same time of registration and when payments of all entry fees have been received 3 days after registration. If payment has not been received in due time those registered athletes will be removed from the online registration again.

Change of category: Change of category will be possible <u>only</u> during the Registration – against an additional fee of **50 euros** for each change.

Additional accreditation card: 50 euros for each replacement and reprinting request of accreditation cards.

Competition Rules: The latest approved WT Competition rules will be applied.

Protector and Scoring System: WT-approved PSS (Daedo Gen3) will be used. The OC will provide for sale Daedo Sensor Socks and E-Glove Punch for Gen3 after initial inquiry on skopjeopen@ramustkd.org.

The Organizing Committee will provide the Protector and Scoring System (PSS) and the head protector to the participating contestants. Participating contestants are required to bring their groin guards, mouthpieces, gloves, sensor socks, shin, and forearm guards for their personal use. All competitors must use WT-approved equipment.

Instant Video Replay will be used for all courts.

OVR: Taekoplan SenSoft Automation

Conditions of participation

All Athletes & **Officials must** hold a valid **2025 WT Global Licence** and must be a member of a National Taekwondo Federation affiliated to the WT. Onsite registration for WT Global License is not possible. Registration must be done in advance.

Entry fees are obligated at all times. All participants of the Skopje Open Ramus (officials & contestants) are responsible that they are registered and approved through their respective WT Member National Association at least 1 month before the tournament it is required for.

Those who are not recognized as adults by law in their own country must submit a passport or identification card together with written consent (liability declaration) of their parents or lawful guardian accepting the participation and all parts of the official invitation.

System of competition: Single elimination tournament according to WT Competition Rules.

Competition format: Best of three system

Age Groups:

- Seniors: born in 2008 and earlier (WT G1 ranking)

- Juniors: born in 2008, 2009 and 2010 (E1 ranking)

- Cadets: born in 2011, 2012, 2013 (E1 ranking)

Athletes born in 2008 could compete in Juniors and Seniors.

Categories: WT world weight categories.

Competition schedule:

29.03.2025 (Saturday) - Cadets and Juniors (all categories) - E1 event;

30.03.2025 (Sunday) - Seniors - WT G1 event (all categories);

Graduation:

- Cadets must hold at least 6th Gup;
- Juniors & Seniors must hold at least 2nd Gup.

Match duration:

- Seniors 3(2) x 2min (60 sec. break)
- Juniors and Cadets: 3(2) x 1,5 min (60 sec. break)

The contest duration is subject to change by the WT Technical Delegate

Seeding:

100 % seeding will apply to the latest available WT (for Seniors) and ETU (for Juniors and Cadets) rankings.

Recognized brands

Recognized brands Participating contestants are required to wear WT-recognized doboks, belts, and WT-recognized protective equipment. The latest version of the WT-recognized manufacturers' list is available at the website of WT: http://www.worldtaekwondo.org/wtpartners-wt/recognize.html

Liability

All competitors participate at their own risk. The online registration implies that the competitors agree to assume all responsibility for themselves and to release all other parties from any liability that may directly or indirectly result. The organizer is not responsible for any damage caused to a person or their belongings.

Awards

Medals for the places 1 to 3 individual results.

Team cups will be awarded to the three best teams in each division.

The team ranking is based on the following point system:

- 1. Every gold medal 120 points;
- 2. Every silver medal 50 points;
- 3. Every bronze medal 20 points;
- 4. 1 point per each contestant who entered the competition area after passing the general weigh-in;
- 5. 1 point per each win (win by a bye included)

Coaches

WT [Level I] Coach certificate or above is mandatory for officiating as a coach at the event. For every five contestants within the same team, one coach is granted free admission, with a maximum of four coaches. Every additional coach above the maximum allowed number should pay **30 euros** admission. Coaches can enter the competition area only with proper sports shoes and proper tracksuits. During the registration, the Head of the team or the coach will receive all the team's credentials. Entry at the venue or weigh-in will be possible only by holding an accreditation card. The following accreditations will be provided to team members on request to the OC:

Role	Male Team	Female Team
MNA Official	1	
Head of Team	1	
Manager	1	
Trainer	1	1
Team Doctor	2	

The trainers **will not** be allowed to the competition area.

To register a Doctor – Proof of Medical Doctor/Physiotherapist certificate in English.

Protest

Only the official coach is allowed to protest, immediately after the end of the contest. An amount of € 200 (Euro) will have to be paid for each protest. The decision of the referee chairman is final.

Referees

All referees will be contacted and invited by the Referee Committee. Hotel and Full board accommodation will be provided for the International referees from 28^{th} March until 31^{st} March 2025. For information: referees@ramutkd.org

Admission/Tickets

Free entry for all visitors.

Visa

All teams who require a visa invitation should send Appendix 1 – Visa Detail Form to the Macedonian Taekwondo Federation (mtfskopje@gmail.com or skopjeopen@ramustkd.org). Deadline for Visa application form (appendix 1) submission – 10th of March 2025.

Accommodation

All participants will be offered preferential accommodation prices in the official hotels by the OC. The list of hotels is in the accommodation guide.

For more information about accommodation and transportation: hotels@ramustkd.org

GDPR: All visitors inside the venue, including athletes, officials and team members are agreed to be filmed and photographed at any time. All event data will be used for our social channels and exposure of the Skopje Open Ramus.

Social media and hashtags:

#SkopjeOpenRamus #SOR2025WTG1 #RamusOpen

Facebook: <u>Taekwondo Club Ramus</u> Instagram: <u>@taekwondoclubramus</u>

Photos: There will be photographers provided by the OC that will make personal photography of the athletes on request. For more information: https://events.ramustkd.org/skopje or <a href="https://events.ramustkd.org/skopje or <a href="https://events.r

EVENT SCHEDULE

28th March 2025 (Friday):

- 14:00 20:00 Registration, Boris Trajkovski Sports Hall
- 14:00 20:00 General Weigh-in for athletes competing on 29.03, Boris Trajkovski Sports Hall

29th March 2025 (Saturday): Juniors and Cadets, Boris Trajkovski Sports Hall

- 07:00 Random Weigh-in Selection (Publication at https://tpss.eu, www.skopje-open.ramusktd.org and Facebook event page);
- 08:00 Random Weigh-in
- 08:00 Referee meeting
- 08:15 Head of team meeting
- 08:45 The inspection desk opens and starts checking the athletes for the first matches
- 09:00 Start of matches
- 10:00 16:00 Registration at the venue.
- 14:00 16:00 General Weigh-in for athletes competing on 30.03. at the venue
- 17:00 Finals and Award Ceremony

30th March 2025 (Sunday): Seniors, Boris Trajkovski Sports Hall

- 07:00 Random Weigh-in Selection (Publication at https://tpss.eu www.skopje-open.ramusktd.org and Facebook event page)
- 08:00 Random Weigh-in
- 08:00 Referee meeting
- 08:45 The inspection desk opens up and starts checking the athletes for the first matches
- 09:00 Start of matches
- 17:00 Finals and Award Ceremony

The Organizers reserve the right to make changes in the outline if necessary.

DECLARATION OF CONSENT

As legal guardian, I herewith declare my consent that my son/my daughter may participate as an active player in the following championship:

SKOPJE OPEN RAMUS 2025

I do know that Taekwondo is a Full Contact Competition Sport, where injuries cannot be excluded. Neither the organizer nor the promoter of the event can be held responsible for any damages or injuries and therefore I declare that there exists a valid insurance that will cover the costs of possible injuries for my son/my daughter or that I will accept all costs in connection with possible injuries or damages by myself.

Name of Guardian	Point of Relationship
Date Signature	Signature