Proposals for new activities at the Kudo European Committee

1. Establishment of Junior Committee

As I announced on April 22nd as the Head Director of KIF, KIF has established a "Kudo for All Committee" with the approval of the Board of Directors, and a subcommittee tasked with activities towards the youth under this committee. KIF have appointed Mr. Vladimir Bredikhin from Malta and Mr. Vilius Tarasevicius from Lithuania as committee members.

I would like to establish a Junior Committee under the Kudo European Committee. The main purposes and aim of the committee are: facilitating in drawing European Open Junior events calendar. A calendar should include various European events that the countries willing to have as Open one. The events should include tournaments, seminars and camps, where seminars and camps should be organized in way assuming various aspects of junior development.

As a Chair of the Kudo European Committee, I would like to nominate Mr. Vilius Tarasevicius as the Chair of this Committee, and nominate Mr. Alexander Zhuravlev from Malta as Administrator/Secretary. I would also like to appoint Mr. Vladimir Bredikhin as an advisor.

In addition, I would like to appoint committee members under the following conditions.

- a) Any person, appointed by a European Brand Chief could be a member of a committee with one condition only those countries which are going to hold Open juniors event following the committee guidelines (to be formulated) can be represented in the committee.
- b) Young members (for example, in their 30s and early 40th) who are active in teaching juniors are desirable. Additionally, for smooth communication within the committee, members who can understand English are desirable.
- c) Persons who will be able to participate in regular remote (online) meetings.

I would like to discuss the appointment of committee members at the European Branch Chief Meeting scheduled after the European Championships on June 15th. If you would like to nominate a committee member from your country, please submit a letter of recommendation to me by the end of May.

I have attached the following documents submitted by Chairman Vilius as an attachment.

- · European Junior Committee
- · Schedule of Junior events in Europe
- · Specialization of the Kudo Professionals
- · Event Profile

2. Sharing event information

Prioritize planning for the following events and share various event plans in Europe.

Priority 1: European championships and seminars supported by KIF

Priority 2: Open events hosted by each country

Priority 3: Domestic events

Priority 1 events should be decided at least six months in advance, preferably one year in advance, after consultation at the European Branch Chief Meeting.

Priority 2 events can be proposed by the host country, taking into account the schedule of priority 1 events.

Although each country can arbitrarily decide on the priority 3 events, it is desirable to decide on the schedules of the priority 1 and 2 events.

Various event plans must be shared among Member Countries.

I would like to start discussions on the European event plan for 2025 at the European Branch Chief Meeting scheduled after the European Championships on June 15th.

At present, it has been decided that the World Cup will be held in Italy in June, and in addition, it is proposed that the European Junior Championships be held in Lithuania in March 2025.

If any country plans to bid to host the European Championships, please contact me before the meeting in Italy. Also, if you are planning an open event in your country, please contact me before the meeting in Italy so that we can share your plans. The Junior Committee has set out its plans for an open event in Malta and Lithuania in its "Schedule of Junior events in Europe".

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