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IHF President Dr Hassan Moustafa: “Support and assistance to Japan”



On behalf of the International Handball Federation and the worldwide handball family IHF President Dr Hassan Moustafa expresses his condolence and sympathy for all people and especially the handball federation in Japan, hit hard by the massive earthquake and the following huge tsunami. “I wish to extend my support of the IHF and the handball family, our thoughts are with the victims, the injured and the refugees of this catastrophe,” Dr Moustafa addressed: “The International Handball Federation is always at the disposal of our Japanese friends in case they need assistance, help or support.”

The International Handball Federation asked its member federations to hold a minute of silence at all their events.

XXXIII Ordinary Congress will be held in Morocco

The IHF, in collaboration with the Moroccan Handball Federation, is undertaking all organizational efforts and is glad to announce that the XXXIII Ordinary Congress will be held in Morocco as scheduled, after having received the confirmation of the Moroccan organizer that the country is secure and there is not or will not be any unrest.



Draw results of the 2011 Super Globe in Qatar

The draw of the 2011 Super Globe in Qatar took place on 19 March in Doha, Qatar, conducted by Leon Kalin, President of the IHF Commission of Organizing and Competition (COC).

The results of the draw are as follows:





IHF seeks the best handball photo of the year 2010

Group A

THW Kiel (GER)
2nd team (QAT)
Al-Saad (LEB)
Pan-American Representative

Group B

Ciudad Real (ESP)
Al Sadd (QAT)
African Representative
Southern Stars (AUS)



The preliminary round matches will be played from 14 to 16 May followed by a rest day. The placement matches and finals will be staged on 18 May.

All IHF Super Globe winners:

1997 in Vienna (Austria): Teka Santander (Spain)
2002 in Doha (Qatar): Al Sadd (Qatar)
2007 in Cairo (Egypt): Ciudad Real (Spain)
2010 in Doha (Qatar): Ciudad Real (Spain)

Wanted: The Best Handball Photo of the Year 2010

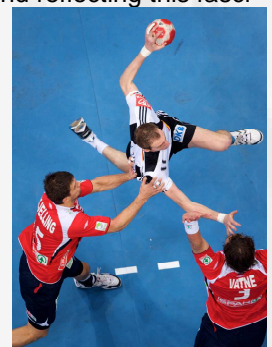


The prize money amounts to CHF 5,000.- – in return for the best handball photo of the year 2010: The IHF is traditionally calling on photographers to take part in the “Handball Photo of the Year” contest. In the previous year the German Tilo Wiedensohler and the French Stéphane Pillaud shared the victory, after more than 40 photographers from all over the world had participated in the competition. And also in 2010 people all around the world

were playing handball – and fascinated people. Capturing and reflecting this fascination on photos requires great skills. The IHF therefore invites you to send your most fascinating handball photo of the past year taken by yourself to ihf.office@ihf.info. The editorial department of the World Handball Magazine will ask a jury of experts to reward the best photo of the year 2010. The best photos will be published in the next WHM.

The conditions of participation at a glance:

- The theme of the photo must be handball
- The photo must have been taken in 2010
- Closing date is **1 July 2011**
- The photo should be sent in digital form to ihf.office@ihf.info



Hans Thomas passes away at the age of 60

The International Handball Federation and the handball family mourn the death of Hans Thomas. The German, a former top referee, was IHF lecturer. Hans Thomas had been referee until 1996, later on he was a member of several commissions in



German, European and international handball. He has been Germany's referee instructor and member of the Technical Refereeing Committee of the European Handball Federation. Thomas was technical delegate of the IHF and the EHF – in these capacities he was last nominated for the 2010 Women's Junior World Championship in Korea. The IHF expresses its condolences to the family of Hans Thomas.

IHF calendar of events until August 2011

Date	Place		Organizer	Event
April				
01-03/04	Basel	SUI	IHF	PRC Kitchen Group Meeting
04-05/04	Basel	SUI	IHF	Meeting of Commission of Coaching and Methods (CCM)
07-08/04	Basel	SUI	IHF	Seminar for Handball at School Experts
08-09/04	Basel	SUI	IHF	Meeting of Commission of Organising & Competition (COC)
09/04	Basel	SUI	IHF	Meeting of Commission for Promotion & Public Relation (CPP)
09-17/04		COL	IHF	Women's Challenge Trophy Zone Phase
16/04	Thessaloniki	GRE	IHF	Draw for the Men's Junior World Championship in GRE
23-30/04	Bangkok	THA	IHF	Female Challenge Trophy Asian Zone II
May				
01/05	Marrakech	MAR	IHF	Executive Committee Meeting
02/05	Marrakech	MAR	IHF	Council Meeting
03-04/05	Marrakech	MAR	IHF	XXXIII Ordinary Congress
05/05		MAR	CAHB	Seminar for Managers, Presidents, SG
05-07/05	Marrakech	MAR	CAHB	Ordinary Working Congress
11-18/05	Doha	QAT	IHF	Global Coaching Clinic
13-19/05	Doha	QAT	IHF	Super Globe
20/05	Buenos Aires	ARG	IHF	Draw for the Men's Youth World Championship in ARG
21-28/05		RWA	IHF	Women's Continental Phase
27-29/05	Dubai	UAE	IHF	Meeting of Playing Rules and Referees Commission (PRC)
28-29/05	Cologne	GER	EHF	Men's Champions League Final4
30/05-04/06	Dubai	UAE	IHF	GRTP Course
June				
23/06-03/07		CZE	EHF	W17 European Championship, Qualification for 2012 WYWCh
24-26/06	Umag	CRO	EHF	Beach Handball European Championship Youth Men & Women
28/06-03/07	Umag	CRO	EHF	Beach Handball European Championship Adults Men & Women
29/06-03/07	Granollers	ESP		Granollers Cup
July				
06-11/07		OMA	IHF	Global Coaching Clinic
17-31/07		GRE	IHF	XVIII Men's Junior World Championship
August				
02-10/08		CIV	CAHB	17th Women's Junior African Nations Championship
04-14/08		NED	EHF	W19 European Championship
10-20/08		ARG	IHF	IV Men's Youth World Championship