

For immediate release

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Regarding the article in MasTaekwondo, published on their website on February 22, 2013, some misinformation was given on the role that the WTF Academy is expected to serve.

The Academy's proposed activities is to only serve as an educational institute for basic level, or grassroots level, education and training of coaches, instructors and referees that aspire to more advanced activities at the international level. The Academy will surely work under consultation with all relevant committees of the WTF.

Currently, there are nationally certified instructors referees that, until now, have had no training programs at their disposal. The Academy and its activities will only expand our training programs to the lower levels. It will not replace any existing training programs currently active in the WTF.

Then WTF Academy is a part of the initiatives to move forward in the development of our sport to the grassroots level. As such, the Academy and its activities are subject to definition and approval of the WTF Council and General Assembly upon consultation with relevant WTF Committees.

While I am confident that the WTF Academy will provide great support to the Taekwondo family, it will adhere to all protocol that has been established over the recent years to ensure transparency and good governance.

It is regrettable that any misinformation has occurred.

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