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The objectives of the Kokusai Budoin, IMAF, include the expansion of interest in Japanese Martial Arts; the establishment of communication, friendship, understanding and harmony among member chapters; the development of the minds and bodies of its members; and the promotion of global understanding and personal growth.

2008 – Special Edition no. 1: European and Headquarters Events

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2008 IMAF HQ Japan Tour

Date: March 16th - 29th
Location: Tokyo, Japan

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2008 IMAF-Americas Seminars

Date: May 16th - 18th
Location: Mission Viejo, California, USA

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2008 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF European Seminars

Date: October 17th - 19th
Location: Charleroi, Belgium

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Kokusai Budoin, IMAF World Budo Seminar

Moers, Germany

The 2007 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF World Budo Seminars were held October 12th thru 14th in Moers, Germany (near Düsseldorf). IMAF members and friends from across Europe, North America, Japan, and nations as distant as Mauritius attended the numerous extraordinary training and events daily.

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Chief Director Shizuya Sato presenting a certificate to M. Lal (Denmark)

IMAF – 2007 Autumn Headquarters Seminar

Tokyo, Japan

The annual autumn HQ seminars took place at the Ikushinkan Dojo in Kawasaki on November 11th.

The sessions began with Iaido, directed by Tadao Ochiai, IMAF Iaido Division Shihan, Hanshi 10th dan, Hidetoshi Iwasa, Iaido Kyoshi 8th dan, and Ryosaku Yoshida, Iaido Hanshi 8th dan.

Throughout the morning training, participants enjoyed the personal attention and instruction of world renowned senior headquarters instructors.

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All participants at the 2007 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF World Budo Gala received expert instruction from both IMAF Headquarters and European senior instructors. Daily training included Aikido, Iaido, Karate-do, Judo, and Nihon Jujutsu.

In depth, personal Iaido instruction was provided for the numerous participants throughout the weekend by K. Tose, K. Yoshida, Dr. E. Noisser, Hans-Dieter Rauscher, C. Rauscher, D. Matschentz, and other senior practitioners.

Keiji Tose, IMAF Iaido Shihan, Hanshi 10th dan, demonstrating proper cutting technique.



Karate-do is one of the most popular forms of *budo* throughout the world. Not surprisingly, numerous IMAF members and friends joined the 2007 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF World Budo Gala Karate-do seminars.

The daily Karate-do sessions, which were directed by Higuchi Sensei and senior European instructors, featured both *kata* and *kumite*, ranging from basic to advanced, giving all participants a range of opportunities to refine his or her understanding and practice.

Ikuo Higuchi, IMAF Karate-do Hanshi 9th dan, demonstrating with W. Smigielski.



The 2007 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF World Budo Gala Nihon Jujutsu sessions were directed by Sato Sensei, as well as senior IMAF Headquarters and European experts.

Nihon Jujutsu is an art based on techniques common to both historical and modern methods of self-defense, and emphasizes striking, throwing and joint manipulation to control an opponent.

Sizuya Sato, IMAF Judo and Nihon Jujutsu Shihan, Judo Hanshi 9th dan, and Nihon Jujutsu Hanshi 10th dan, demonstrating *waki-gatame* (arm-lock) with A. Kopplhuber.

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Karate-do Training



Nihon Jujutsu Training



Aikido Seminar Participants

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The 2007 Kokusai Budoin, IMAF World Budo Seminar events included a banquet on the evening of Saturday, October 13th where one and all could share fine dining with old and new friends.

The Mayor of Moers City (second from right) and IMAF HQ Representatives during the banquet.



Members of the German delegation demonstrating Iaido during the World Budo Gala closing ceremonies.

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Ochiai Sensei explaining principles of Iaido practice

The Karate-do session began following a midday break, and was directed by K. Sakai, Karate-do Shihan, Hanshi 10th dan. As the majority of the participants were Iaido, Aikido, Judo, and Jujutsu practitioners, Sakai Sensei focused on basic striking and evasive techniques that can be incorporated into regular practice in any art. The training was vigorous and rewarding for all.

The final session of the day was directed by S. Sato, Judo and Nihon Jujutsu Shihan, Judo Hanshi 9th dan, and Nihon Jujutsu Hanshi 10th dan. Sato Sensei provided a lecture on the history of traditional Japanese martial arts (*budo*), focusing on the shared origins of Judo, Aikido, and Nihon Jujutsu.

Special thanks are due to all members of the Ikushinkan Dojo for sponsoring the IMAF Headquarters autumn seminar.

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Sakai Sensei, IMAF Karate-do Shihan



Iwasa Sensei demonstrating Iaido



Sato Sensei discussing the history of traditional Japanese *budo*

American Embassy Judo Club 50th Anniversary



Tokyo, Japan

Since its founding in 1957, the American Embassy Judo Club, in cooperation with the U.S. Embassy Japan, has provided a family-oriented environment for men, women and children of the international community in Tokyo to study unique aspects of Japanese culture, develop physical fitness, and learn practical methods of self-defense.

Thursday, October 25th the Deputy Chief of Mission, Mr. Joseph R. Donovan Jr., sponsored a reception for all AEJC members. The evening's events began with refreshments and speeches. Dinner followed with numerous tales of old and new experiences shared through membership in the Judo Club.

Friday, October 26th a reception was held at the U.S. Embassy from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The events commenced with keynote addresses by the the DCM, Joseph R. Donovan Jr., and Club President Daniel G. Moore. A number of commemorative plaques and citations were presented to Sato Sensei and AEJC members. AEJC founding member Bill Givens provided a historical overview of the Club's history with numerous photos spanning fifty-years of memories.

Martial arts demonstrations followed with Iwasa Sensei performing Iaido, and AEJC members demonstrating Judo and Nihon Jujutsu. The evening concluded with refreshments.

Sincere appreciation is due to everyone who contributed his or her expertise to ensure the success of the AEJC 50th anniversary celebrations.

