

# FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

60th Anniversary ITF Summit | Vienna, Austria | 6-8 November 2026

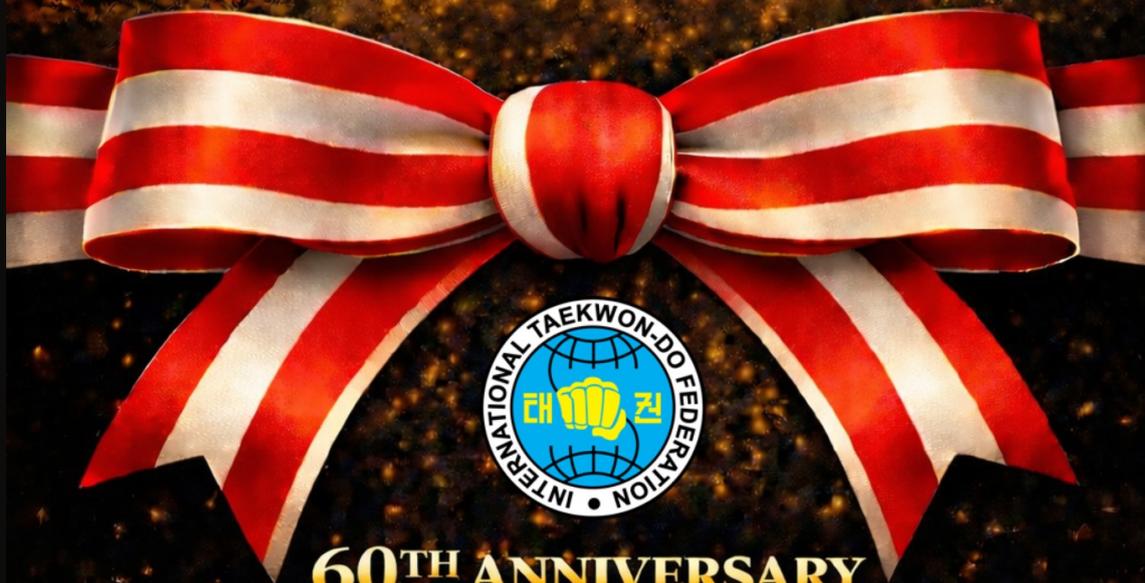
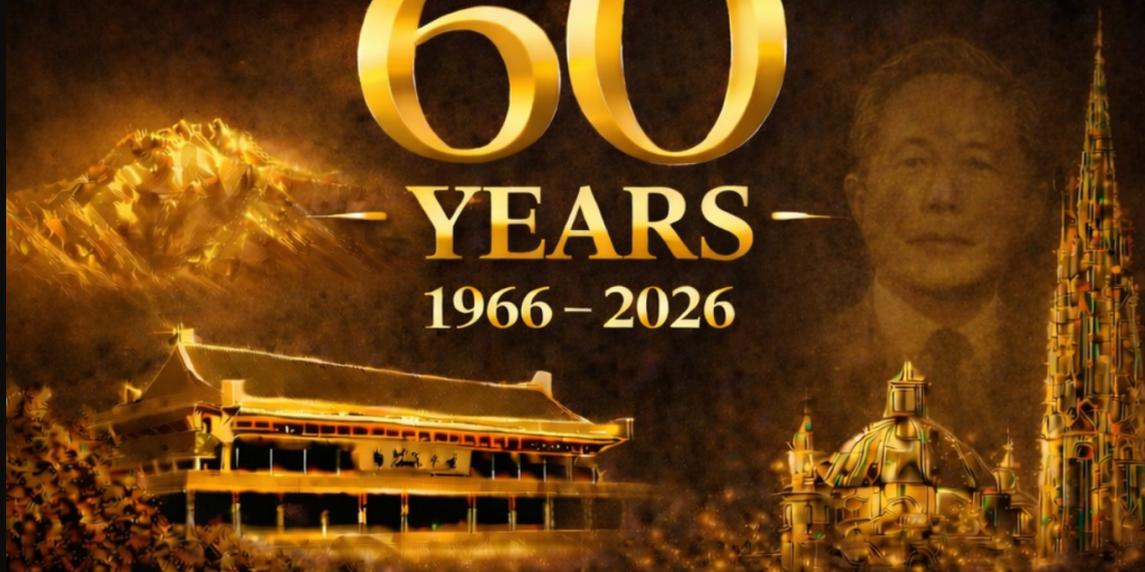
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INTERNATIONAL TAEKWON-DO FEDERATION

# 60

# YEARS

1966 – 2026



60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

# ITF SUMMIT

November 2026

Vienna, Austria

*Working edition prepared from the currently confirmed programme elements.*

# CELEBRATING 60 YEARS

## of the International Taekwon-Do Federation

*Honouring General Choi Hong Hi and looking ahead to Vienna 2026*

*On the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the founding of the International Taekwon-Do Federation (I.T.F.), we pay tribute to our legendary Founder, General Choi Hong Hi.*

On 22 March 1966, the establishment of the I.T.F. ushered in a new era in Taekwon-Do. From that moment, the Federation developed rapidly into a global organisation and today unites a vast international community of Taekwon-Do practitioners across five continents.

Today, the Federation founded by General Choi Hong Hi continues his work in direct institutional continuity, operating from the Headquarters in Vienna which he himself established and from which he actively led the development of Taekwon-Do.

May his legacy continue to inspire and guide people worldwide in their efforts to build a more peaceful world through the moral principles and foundations he left behind.

### INVITATION TO THE GLOBAL TAEKWON-DO FAMILY

This year holds even greater significance as we also prepare for the 60th Anniversary ITF Summit in Vienna in November 2026, to be held in conjunction with the birthday of the Founder.

We warmly invite all members of the global Taekwon-Do family to take part in these meaningful celebrations. Do not miss the opportunity to pay tribute and visit the Headquarters that embody the spirit of General Choi Hong Hi and his enduring vision.

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# 1. SUMMIT OVERVIEW

Current scope, participation and planning position

The 60th Anniversary ITF Summit in Vienna is planned as a commemorative technical, developmental and ceremonial gathering marking sixty years since the founding of the International Taekwon-Do Federation in 1966. The confirmed programme presently combines an international technical education track, a conference devoted to organisational development, a showcase demonstration, and a formal gala evening.

*This edition is a styled working infopack prepared from the planning items currently confirmed by the organising side. Registration mechanics, fees, named contacts, final venue confirmations, and detailed operational timings will be inserted once the next circular is issued.*

## Key fact

## Current planning position

<b>Official title</b>	60th Anniversary ITF Summit
<b>Location</b>	Vienna, Austria
<b>Official summit dates</b>	Friday 6 November to Sunday 8 November 2026
<b>Arrival and departure window</b>	Arrival from Thursday 5 November   Departure on Monday 9 November
<b>Main hotel base</b>	NH Danube City
<b>Main evening showcase venue</b>	Grand Hotel Wien
<b>Document status</b>	Updated planning edition - subject to organiser confirmation

## Participation and eligibility

- Participation in the summit is open to all ITF members holding 1 Dan or above.
- Invited VIP guests and official representatives may receive separate protocol, hospitality, or seating arrangements where relevant.
- The final registration circular will confirm package categories, booking steps, fees, and any capacity limits for individual programme components.



## 2. PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

Confirmed programme blocks and current working notes

Date	Time block	Programme item	Venue / note
Thu 5 Nov	Arrival	Arrivals and participant check-in	NH Danube City
Fri 6 Nov	Morning & afternoon	International Technical Seminar and International Instructor Course	NH Danube City
Fri 6 Nov	Evening	Taekwon-Do demonstration followed by a standing buffet	Grand Hotel Wien Showcase programme
Sat 7 Nov	Morning & afternoon	International Technical Seminar and International Instructor Course	NH Danube City
Sun 8 Nov	Day programme	Taekwon-Do Conference	NH Danube City
Sun 8 Nov	Evening	Gala Dinner on the occasion of the 60th anniversary of the founding of ITF	Final venue TBC
Mon 9 Nov	Morning	Departure of participants	Individual departures Checkout

### Additional Vienna programme concepts currently under consideration

- A guided visit to the United Nations Headquarters in Vienna, subject to timetable compatibility with the final summit programme.
- A shared sightseeing element in Vienna for international guests between official programme blocks, if operationally feasible.
- An evening garden-party style gathering at ITF Headquarters with traditional Austrian Glühwein, should the final schedule allow it.



## 3. DRAFT CONFERENCE CONCEPT

Sunday 8 November - suggested thematic programme for the development conference in Vienna

The Sunday conference is currently conceived as a development-focused forum bringing together NGB leaders, instructors, coaches, umpires, and club representatives. The agenda below is a proposed working structure prepared from the themes already identified for inclusion.

Time	Session	Focus
09:00-09:30	Registration coffee and networking	Delegate arrival, badge collection, and informal networking before the opening session.
09:30-09:45	Opening remarks: 60 Years of ITF	Conference welcome, framing remarks, and the strategic objectives for the day.
09:45-10:30	Session 1 - NGB Development	Governance, structure, membership administration, finance discipline, and long-term sustainability for national governing bodies.
10:30-11:15	Session 2 - Club Development	Recruitment and retention, instructor pathway growth, junior and family participation, and local club visibility.
11:15-11:30	Coffee break	Refreshment interval.
11:30-12:15	Session 3 - Tournament Management	Event planning, digital registration, logistics, safety, scheduling, volunteer roles, and reporting standards.
12:15-13:30	Lunch break	Lunch and informal exchange.
13:30-14:15	Session 4 - Umpire Training	Rule interpretation, consistency of application, mentorship systems, and the practical education pathway for officials.
14:15-15:00	Session 5 - National Team Preparations	Talent pathway planning, training camps, selection systems, international readiness, and staff coordination.
15:00-15:15	Coffee break	Refreshment interval.
15:15-16:00	Panel forum and shared priorities	Cross-topic discussion on cooperation opportunities between NGBs, clubs, umpires, and national teams.
16:00-16:15	Closing summary	Key action points, follow-up direction, and transition to the evening gala programme.

### Planning note

- Final speakers, chairpersons, exact timings, and the venue setup remain to be confirmed by the organiser.
- The conference structure is intended as a practical development forum alongside the technical seminar programme delivered on Friday and Saturday.

## 4. VENUES AND OPTIONAL VIENNA PROGRAMME

Hotel base, showcase setting and additional visitor concepts

### NH Danube City

Planned as the main hotel base for the summit and the practical anchor point for arrivals and official coordination.

The Friday and Saturday International Technical Seminar and International Instructor Course are currently planned for the NH Danube City conference room.

The property is located next to the United Nations / Vienna International Centre area.

**Website:** [NH Danube City](#)

### Grand Hotel Wien

Planned venue for the Friday evening Taekwon-Do demonstration and the standing buffet that follows.

The Friday evening block is currently framed as a showcase programme for invited guests and registered participants.

The gala dinner remains scheduled in Vienna on Sunday evening, with the final venue still to be confirmed separately.

**Website:** [Grand Hotel Wien](#)

### Optional Vienna visitor concepts

The planning note currently identifies the following optional hospitality concepts for later confirmation: a UN Headquarters visit, shared sightseeing in Vienna, and a garden-party style evening at ITF Headquarters.

**If the United Nations visitor programme is included, the current planning figures are:**

Visitor option	Duration	Current indicative rate per person
Extended UN Tour	1.5 hours	EUR 23.85
Short UN Tour	1 hour	EUR 15.90

**Reference links:** [UN Vienna](#) | [Guided tour booking](#)

*Any optional visitor programme would be circulated only after confirmation that it can be added without affecting the core summit schedule.*



# 5. PRACTICAL NOTES AND CURRENT STATUS

What can already be communicated and what remains for the final circular

## Participation and registration

Participation is open to all ITF members of 1 Dan and above. The organiser will issue the final registration mechanism, fee structure, payment instructions, and deadlines in the next circular. Programme components may require prior enrolment because of room capacity and operational planning.

## Accommodation and transport

NH Danube City is currently planned as the main hotel base for the summit period. Room block details, reservation code, airport transfer guidance, and local transport notes are still to be published. VIP arrivals may be handled with separate protocol arrangements where required.

## Visa support

Participants requiring Austrian visa support should expect to submit passport details early once the official registration circular is released. Supporting invitation documentation is expected to be issued in line with country-specific timing requirements.

## Attire and protocol

Dobok / training attire should be expected for the technical seminar and instructor course sessions. Business or formal attire is recommended for the Sunday conference and the gala dinner. Any VIP seating, awards, or ceremonial guidance will be confirmed separately in the final protocol note.

## Items still to be confirmed before release of the final information pack

- Registration platform, participation fees, payment terms, and formal booking deadlines.
- Final venue confirmations for the Sunday conference and the gala dinner in Vienna.
- Detailed seminar / course timetable, enrolment categories, and named instructors or chairpersons.
- Visa contact point, and named organisational contacts.
- Whether the optional UN visit, sightseeing element, or ITF Headquarters garden-party concept will be included.

*Prepared as an updated styled draft for the Vienna 2026 ITF Summit planning process.*