



2003 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Ladies and gentlemen

This report concerns events which have taken place since January 2003.

The life of the International Fencing Federation has been hit, during this period, by the loss of many friends.

Mr H. M. Widartsadipradja (INA)

Died 8th March 2003 at the age of 74.

Mr H.M. Widartsadiprdja was President of the Indonesia Fencing Association from 1985 to 2001 and Honorary President from 2002. He was Vice President of the Asian Fencing Confederation from 1992 to 1996.

He was the founder and first President of the South-East Asian Fencing Federation (SEAFF). In recognition of his contribution as President and founder member of the SEAFF, he received the title of Honorary President for Life of the SEAFF.

Ilse KEYDEL (GER)

Died 5th May 2003 in her eighty-second year.

Member of the German Women's Foil team from 1953 to 1959, she won the individual bronze medal in the 1953 World Championships in Brussels and the team silver medal in the World Championships in Paris in 1957 and in Philadelphia in 1958.

Maitre Boris STAVREV (BUL)

Died unexpectedly on 16th May 2003, at the age of sixty-eight, during a short visit to the country of his birth.

A fencer and national coach of the Bulgarian sabre team until 1984 then of the German team with whom he achieved good results on an international scale.

He was notably the coach for Felix Becker (GER) who won the gold medal in the World Championships in Athens in 1994.

Maitre Robert VAUGENOT (FRA)

Died 21st July 2003 at Nancy after a long and painful illness.

Master of Arms of the Fencing Circle of Berne (Switzerland) from 1950 to 1970, he was the Swiss national coach from 1970 to 1984. Thanks to him, the Swiss epeeists won many Olympic medals in the World Championships during this period.

Roger Barbas (FRA)

Died 24th July 2003 at Lyon (France).

In 1999, in the IRON MASK fencing salle, in the presence of the most senior members of the civil and military services in the region and city, as well as a number of Maitres and ex-pupils from all over France, Maitre d'Armes Roger BARBAS received from the great Olympic champion Christian D'ORIOLO the Legion d'Honneur for his heroic conduct during the 1939-45 war and for his presence for more than twenty years at the IRON MASK in Lyon, one of the most prestigious salles in the world. The plaque and the diploma of honour from the FIE have taken their place among the many souvenirs which have been offered as a posthumous tribute.

Dominique Solari (FRA)

Died 21st September 2003 at Dakar (SEN) at the age of 59. Maitre Solari was director of the internal school of maitres d'armes at Dakar (SEN) from 1998.

He had held a number of similar positions, mainly in Central America and Brazil.

Rodrigo Munoz Alveal (CHI)

Died 11th October 2003 at Havana (CUBA) at the age of 22. The young foilist, who had just taken part in the Fencing World Championships in Havana, died accidentally at his hotel.

Dr. Carlo Filogamo (ITA)

Died 19th decembre 2003 at the age of 94.

He was international referee during many years and had worked as member of Directoire technique in many competitions.

We offer our deepest sympathy to the families of the deceased and to the federations to which they belonged.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

1 – MANAGEMENT

The management operations of the FIE have been intensive.

The Executive Committee met at Lausanne (SUI) on 10th and 11th May, at Leipzig (GER) on 20th and 21st November 2003. The Bureau met a number of times during the World Championships in Havana (Cuba, 4th – 11th October 2003).

Many consultations took place by letter, fax and email during this time, when an urgent decision was necessary.

The arrangements put in place by the administrative bodies were regularly communicated to FIE members by Letter to the FIE, Letters of Information and Urgent Letters, which replaced the old “circulars”.

These Letters and their attachments were sent by electronic mail, thus avoiding delays in their receipt by federations, as well as the cost of postal charges and paper generated by the previous method of sending by post.

The various FIE ranking lists were also put into PDF format and sent to the national federations by electronic mail.

2 - NEW AFFILIATIONS

The Executive Committee gave provisional approval to 2 new federations in 2003 :

- The Fencing Federation of the Congo
- The Fencing Federation of Guinea

The FIE has, at present, 113 member federations.

3 – CALENDAR

221 Word Cup tournaments appeared on the 2002/2003 calendar, of which 17 were satellite tournaments.

JUNIOR WORLD CUP

Out of a total of 77 competitions, 14 tournaments were for candidates in category A and 10 were cancelled. 23 tournaments were organised outside Europe and 54 in Europe.

SENIOR WORLD CUP

Out of a total of 91 competitions (not including satellite tournaments), 4 tournaments were cancelled, 31 were Grand Prix. 34 tournaments were organised outside Europe and 57 in Europe.

TEAM WORLD CUP

Out of a total of 36 competitions, 2 tournaments were cancelled, 11 were organised outside Europe and 25 in Europe.

GRAND PRIX

A number of Grand Prix competitions for each weapon were subject to the appointment of referees by the Executive Committee, on the advice of the Refereeing Commission.

The following were allowed :

- for organisers to select a sufficient number of referees from neutral countries
- for fencers to benefit from referees of a similar standard
- for the Commission of Referees to observe these referees with a view to their eventual appointment to other competitions.

4 – REFEREEING EXAMINATIONS

Because of the Olympic qualification due to appear in the 2002/2003 season, only the following examinations took place during this season :

Town	Country	Weapon	Examination date	Name of competition
La Coruna	Spain	F	13-14/2/03	City of Coruna Tournament
Athens	GRE	F + S	7-8/03/03	Athens and Acropolis Cup
Tunis	TUN	E	24-25/04/03	World Cup

NB : Weapon column :

E = Epee
F = Foil
S = Sabre

5 – DOPING

The battles against doping continued throughout the season. The following cases of doping use were noted and sanctions put in place :

Name, nationality	Substance	Sanction (suspension)
Loic Atelly (FRA)	Nandrolone	10 months
David Boudreault (CAN)	Cannabis	3 months

As a result of the contract signed between the FIE and WADA, a selection of junior and senior fencers from 43 countries were control tested before competitions, in line with a selection process determined by WADA.

5 – INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

The FIE was represented by its President, M. Rene Roch

9.1.2003

Paris (FRA) – Presentation of the Fair-Play Trophy to Unesco

15.1.2003

Paris (FRA) – Oath-swearing Ceremony by the French Minister of Sport, M. Jean-Francois Lamour

31.7 – 3.8.2003

Santo Domingo (DOM) – 14th Pan American Games

20 – 29.8.2003

Athens (GRE) – Visit to the sites and facilities provided for fencing at the 2004 Olympic Games

16.10.03

Lausanne (SUI) – Meeting with M. Raymond Bron, Mme Diane Wild of the management of the Town of Lausanne sports, M. Raphael Martinetti, President of FILA and M. Strelbel of the UCI concerning the Aigle international centre.

17.9.2003

Sofia and Plovdiv (BUL) – Meeting with the President of the Bulgarian Fencing Federation and the Bulgarian Minister of Sport.

22 – 23.3.2003

Athens (GRE) – Visit to the Olympic site with M. Emmanuel Katsiadakis, President of the Greek Fencing Federation.

16.10.2003

Lausanne (SUI) Meeting with M. Jacques Rogge, President of the IOC.

24 – 28.10.2003

Chienmai (THA) – Asian Fencing Championships and meeting with the Asian Fencing Confederation.

04 – 06.11.2003

Porec (CRO) – European Junior Championships and meeting with the Executive Committee of the European Fencing Confederation.

The FIE was represented by its President, M. Rene Roch and its General Secretary, M. Mario Favia in:

13 – 16.5.2003

Madrid (ESP) – AGFIS and ASOIF Congress.

7 – NEW INTERNET SITE

The FIE's new Internet site went live on 1st September 2003, after 2 years of work :

- Many invitations to tender, to find the most reliable companies in the computer field, the best suited to our continually developing needs and which offered the best quality/price.
- Drawing up a detailed 60 page specification matching the FIE's needs.
- Setting up and testing the various site modules.
- Translation of the site into the 3 languages used by the FIE.

As well as the complete "New Look" of the site, the new feature is the linking of the site with the creation of a large, unique database which manages the FIE's data and translates it into electronic format. For examples, competition organisers will send their results directly to the site and the rankings will be done automatically. Plus, the results and rankings will automatically be added to the FIE's general database, allowing one to view athletes' details used for the Olympic Games.

The competition observers' reports will be input directly onto to the site and will no longer appear on paper and the information contained in these reports will also be added to the database in order to provide statistics. Registration of commission members as observers will be done directly onto the site by the Commissions, by user name and password.

Registration of individual fencers and teams for the World Championships and Grand Prix will also be done on-line on the site by national federations and will no longer be the responsibility of the organisers.

8 – PROMOTION

As the 2001 Congress in Havana voted for the possibility of wearing a mask with transparent visor at sabre, the Executive Committee decided to encourage the practice. To this end, 8 Women and Men sabreurs from the same class in the 2003 World Championships in Havana who wore a mask with a transparent visor were awarded a money prize.

The total of these prizes, totalling 48,000 Euros were as follows :

1 st	10,000Euros
2 nd	5,000 Euros
3 rd ex-aequo	2,500 Euros
5 th to 8 th	1,000 Euros

The FIE also took part in the promotion of the mask with transparent visor, for sabre by :

- offering 10 such masks to 6 national federations (Argentinian, Romania, Italy, Cuba, Canada, the Ukraine), a total of 60 masks.
- offering national federations the possibility of ordering their masks from Gajardoni (ITA) and PBT (HUN) at a special FIE price of 150 Euros per mask.

II. SPORT ACTIVITIES

1. - 2003 World Cup Winners

Junior World Cup

Rank	Women's Epée	Rank	Men's Foil
1	NAVARRIA Mara, ITA	1	JAULT Jerome, FRA
2	CHRISTMANN Beate, GER	2	HINTERSEER Moritz, AUT
3	REVESZ Julianna, HUN	3	MCGUIRE Joshua, CAN
4	QUONDAMCARLO Frances, ITA	4	MAJEWSKI Michal, POL
5	ANSALDO Alice, ITA	5	WEINKAUF Benjamin, GER
6	STEINER Iris, GER	6	KRUSE Richard, GBR
7	RESS Berit, GER	7	MOLTCHAM Yuri, RUS
8	MARTINEZ GASCON Mari, VEN	8	PIETRUSIAK Krzysztof, POL
Rank	Men's Epée	Rank	Women's Foil
1	GRUMIER Gauthier, FRA	1	KRYCZALO Katarzyna, POL
2	CANU Matthieu, FRA	2	CAMMILLETI Marta, ITA
3	ZINGERMAN Viacheslav, ISR	3	LEAHY Jacqueline, USA
4	CHAMBAUD Ludovic, FRA	4	PIGLIAPOCO Claudia, ITA
5	BAYER Thorsten, GER	5	CROSS Emily, USA
6	MOUTOU Jeremy, FRA	6	MERKL Larissa, GER
7	BUCHBENDER Michael, GER	7	WUTZ Carolin, GER
8	PIZZO Paolo, ITA	8	DURANDO Benedetta, ITA
Rank	Women's Sabre	Rank	Men's Sabre
1	ZAGUNIS Mariel, USA	1	BOGHICEV Franz, GER
2	JACOBSON Sada, USA	2	MOKRETSOV Ilia, RUS
3	VERGNE Carole, FRA	3	GHATTAS Patrick, USA
4	JOZWIAK Bogna, POL	4	KONIUSZ Marcin, POL
5	JACOBSON Emily, USA	5	CROMPTON Adam C, USA
6	GAILLARD Amelia, USA	6	SKRODZKI Adam, POL
7	PERRUS Leonore, FRA	7	CLEMENT Luther, USA
8	DRION Anais, FRA	8	HUEBNER Bjoern, GER

Senior World Cup

Rank	Women's Epée	Rank	Men's Foil
1	FLESSEL-COLOVIC Laura, FRA	1	WESSELS Andre, GER
2	MACKAY Sherraine, CAN	2	CASSARA Andrea, ITA
3	KIRALY PICOT Hajnalka, FRA	3	JOPPICH Peter, GER
4	DUPLITZER Imke, GER	4	SANZO Salvatore, ITA
5	HEIDEMANN Britta, GER	5	GOMES Joao, POR
6	TOL Sonja, NED	6	VANNI Simone, ITA
7	HORMAY Adrienn, HUN	7	GOHY Cedric, BEL
8	LAMON Sophie, SUI	8	BREUTNER Richard, GER
Rank	Men's Epée	Rank	Women's Foil
1	MARIK Christoph, AUT	1	VEZZALI Valentina, ITA
2	FISCHER Marcel, SUI	2	TRILLINI Giovanna, ITA
3	ROBEIRI Ulrich, FRA	3	GRUCHALA Sylwia, POL
4	JEANNET Fabrice, FRA	4	YOUCHEVA Ekaterina, RUS
5	FIEDLER Joerg, GER	5	MOHAMED Aida, HUN
6	VAN LAECKE Yoeri, BEL	6	WUILLEME Adeline, FRA
7	ROTA Alfredo, ITA	7	KOENIG-ROEMER Rita, GER
8	ROBATSCH Marcus, AUT	8	BOIKO Svetlana, RUS

Rank	Women's Sabre	Rank	Men's Sabre
1	JACOBSON Sada, USA	1	FERJANCSIK Domonkos, HUN
2	ARGIOLAS Cecile, FRA	2	MONTANO Aldo, ITA
3	JEMAYEVA Elena, AZE	3	SMART Keeth, USA
4	NETCHAEVA Elena, RUS	4	POZDNIAKOV Stanislav, RUS
5	SOCHA Aleksandra, POL	5	TARANTINO Luigi, ITA
6	MARZOCCA Gioia, ITA	6	COVALIU Mihai, ROM
7	PERRUS Le onore, FRA	7	MEDINA Fernando, ESP
8	KOENIG Susanne, GER	8	PILLET Julien, FRA

Team World Cup

Women's Epée	Men's Epée	Women's Foil	Men's Foil	Women's Sabre	Men's Sabre
1) FRA	1) FRA	1) ITA	1) ITA	1) USA	1) RUS
2) HUN	2) UKR	2) RUS	2) CHN	2) FRA	2) HUN
3) GER	3) GER	3) POL	3) FRA	3) HUN	3) UKR
4) RUS	4) ITA	4) HUN	4) GER	4) RUS	4) ITA
5) ITA	5) EST	5) ROM	5) ESP	5) AZE	5) ROM
6) EST	6) HUN	6) FRA	6) BEL	6) GER	6) FRA
7) UKR	7) RUS	7) USA	7) USA	7) ROM	7) GER
8) CHN	8) SUI	8) JPN	8) POL	8) ITA	8) POL

2. - JUNIOR/CADET WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2002

These World Championships were held at Trapani (ITA) from 4th – 13th April 2003

Officials

The officials appointed by the FIE for the World Championships were as follows :

Technical Directors :	Costanzo Roberto, ITA
Kralik Julius; SVK , Président	Ferjani Salah, TUN
Anderson Nancy; USA	Cramer Arthur, BRA
Gauthier Bernard; FRA	Plasterie Serge, FRA
Gonzalez Tirador Julio C.; CUB	Delegates from Medical Com.
Thullberg Pierre, SWE	Van Dugteren George, RSA
Hsu Roger; TPE	Magalhaes Miguel, POR
Curletto Mario; ITA	Delegates from SEMI
Head of Protocol : Anibal Illueca,	Baiocco Marcello, ITA
	Oh Won Suk, KOR
Delegates from the Refereeing Com	Rikhtman Semion, RUS
Bar-Joseph Arthur, ISR, délégué chef	

Referees

AKULICH Gennadi (BLR)	KAROLITSKY Alexandre (ISR)
ALVAREZ Jose L. (ESP)	KISIEL Jaroslaw (POL)
BELIKOVA Irina (RUS)	KUNFALVY Peter (HUN)
BOUNACHADA Ayach (CAN)	LAUNNE Ari (FIN)

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CASTRO Rea Jorge (MEX)	LOZANO VELANDIA Fabio E. (COL)
DO Tae Kwan (KOR)	MOLA FUENTES Walfrido V (CUB)
EL MOTOWAKEL Mohamed (EGY)	WASHBURN Charles (USA)
FLOREA Marius (ROM)	PAPP Zsolt (SUI)
FUENZALIDA Richard (PHI)	POURSALMAN Ali Reza (IRI)
GABY Bruno (FRA)	RAIZMAN Alex (RSA)
GOLUBYTSKY Sergei (UKR)	ROTH Peter (GER)
GRABSIA Tahar (ALG)	SAKHVADZE David (GEO)
HATZISSARANTOS Dimitris (GRE)	TURIACE Sergio (ARG)
HIROOKA Hareo (JPN)	VASQUEZ Rodrigo (CHI)
HUNTER Ian (GBR)	ZHAO Chuanjie (CHN)
HUSSIN Wael Ali (KUW)	ZOUARI Hassen (TUN)

Results of Individual Cadet Competitions

Rank	Women's Epee	Rank	Men's Epee
1	ZHAROVA Daria, RUS	1	ANDREI Radu, ROM
2	PEGLIASCO Isabelle, FRA	2	LAUNER Steffen, GER
3	PIEKARSKA Magdalena, POL	3	HWANG Jung-Ho, KOR
3	SHEMYAKINA Yana, UKR	3	AVDEEV Anton, RUS
5	SZOLLAR Eszter, HUN	5	SCHREYER Pascal, GER
6	STOISSA Federica, ITA	6	KESZLER David, HUN
7	PTAK Katarzyna, POL	7	PENSO Adrien, FRA
8	POLJATSENKO Ilona, EST	8	KIM Jun Yeong, KOR
Rank	Women's Foil	Rank	Men's Foil
1	CROSS Emily, USA	1	CHALIHKOV Alekseandr, BLR
2	ACHYDOVA Julia, RUS	2	MERINGOLO Alessandro, ITA
3	HUIN Julie, FRA	3	PIETRUSIAK Konrad, POL
3	CHANAIEVA Aida, RUS	3	ZASSORIN Maxim, RUS
5	ERRIGO Arianna, ITA	5	MEYERS Brendan, USA
6	LEMBERG Mercedesz, HUN	6	MONTERO Julian, ESP
7	BINGENHEIMER Sandra, GER	7	DE BAZELAIRE Stanislaw, POL
8	HAENLEIN Viola, GER	8	HÜHNEL Johannes, AUT
Rank	Women's Sabre	Rank	Men's Sabre
1	KHOMROVA Olena, UKR	1	BOIKO Dmytro, UKR
2	PATTARO Elora, BRA	2	CECI Claudio, ITA
3	JEAN BAPTISTE Audrey, FRA	3	GEMESI Csanad, HUN
3	VARGA Dora, HUN	3	MAKSIMOV Yvgen, UKR
5	DIATCHENK Ekaterina, RUS	5	HOLLOSI Bence, HUN
6	PARKER Sarah Jane, USA	6	HÜBNER Björn, GER
7	ZADORINA Ekaterina, RUS	7	TORCHUK Oleksander, UKR
8	DANILOVA Veronika, RUS	8	BIANCHI Fabio, ITA

Results of Junior Individual Competitions

Rank	Women's Epee	Rank	Men's Epee
1	LUO Xiao Juan, CHN	1	REN Lei, CHN
2	SHEMYAKINA Jana, UKR	2	TUO Tong, CHN
3	JAMES Kamara, USA	3	CANU Matthieu, FRA
3	LAMON Sophie, SUI	3	ACKERMANN Norman, GER
5	CHEPTALINA Anastasi, RUS	5	BRATTON Benjamin E., USA
6	CRAMER Daphnee, SUI	6	BORGES Helder, POR
7	BRANZA Ana-Maria, ROM	7	TARKOVSKIJ Aleksand, NOR

8	IORDACHIOIU Loredan, ROM	8	PIZZO Paolo, ITA
Rank	Women's Foil	Rank	Men's Foil
1	PIGLIAPOCO Claudia, ITA	1	GANEEV Renal, RUS
2	HUANG Jialing, CHN	2	CASSARA Andrea, ITA
3	CHLEWINSKA Karolina, POL	3	MOLTCHAM Yuri, RUS
3	LAMONOVA Evgenia, RUS	3	LONGI Giuseppe, ITA
5	NIKISHINA Viktoria, RUS	5	BALDINI Andrea, ITA
6	DURANDO Benedetta, ITA	6	SALISCAN Virgil, ROM
7	GUYART Astrid, FRA	7	MCGUIRE Joshua, CAN
8	THOMPSON Hanna, USA	8	ZHU Jun, CHN
Rank	Women's Sabre	Rank	Men's Sabre
1	JACOBSON Sada, USA	1	YAKIMENKO Alexei, RUS
2	LUCCHINO Alessandra, ITA	2	OH Eun, KOR
3	VELIKAYA Sofia, KAZ	3	LONTAY Balazs, HUN
3	FEDORKINA Ekaterina, RUS	3	DRION Arnaud, FRA
5	TAN Xue, CHN	5	SKRODZKI Adam, POL
6	JACOBSON Emily, USA	6	KONIUSZ Marcin, POL
7	KUZNIAK Katarzyna, POL	7	CROMPTON Adam C., USA
8	KERECSENYI Georgina, HUN	8	NAGY Zsolt, HUN

Results of Team Competitions

Rank	Women's Epee	Rank	Men's Epee
1	CHN LUO Xiaojuan TAN Li WU Haiyan	1	FRA GRUMIER Gauthier CANU Mathieu MOUTOU Jeremy PENSO Adrien
2	RUS SHUTOVA Lubov SHURUPINA Ekaterina SHEPTALINA Anastassia KULBABA Lioudmila	2	RUS TIKHOMIROV Alexey MORGEOV Viatcheslav STROUTCHKOV Andrei RADOUGINE Igor
3	GER CHRISTMANN Beate BIRTHELMER Elke RESS Berit STEINER Iris	3	POL MIKOLAJCZAK Krzysztof BÖNISCH Pawel ADAMEK Dariusz
Rank	Women's Foil	Rank	Men's Foil
1	ITA PIGLIAPOCO Claudia DURANDO Benedetta CIPRIANI Valentina CAMILLETTI Marta	1	ITA CASSARA Andrea ALONGI Giuseppe BALDINI Andrea LAICONA Saverlo
2	RUS NIKICHINA Viktoria LAMONOVA Eugyenia CHANAIEVA Aida BIRUKOVA Julia	2	RUS IVANOV Anton GANEEV Renal MOLTCHAN Youri SEDOV Artem
3	USA CROSS Emily LEAHY Jacqueline THOMPSON Hannah THOMPSON Matta	3	GER WEINKAUF Benjamin KOBNIK Johannes KLEIBRINK Benjamin ZORC Boris

Rank	Women's Sabre	Rank	Men's Sabre
1	RUS VELIKAIA Sophia FEDORKINA Ekaterina KORMILITSYNA Svetlana DIATCHENK Ekaterina	1	KOR OH Eun SON Suk Hwan KIM Youn Soo LEE Sang Jin
2	ITA LUCCHINO Alessandra PAGANO Rosanna TRICARICO Marianna SCARLATO Flora	2	USA GHATTAS Patrick MOMTSELIDZE Mike CROMPTON Adam ROGERS Jason
3	HUN VECSEI Anna GERGACZ Veronika KERECSENYI Georgina VARGA Dora	3	POL KONIUSZ Marcin DOMINIK Grzegorz SKRODZKI Adam

Nations' Cup

Rank	Country	Points	Rank	Country	Points	Rank	Country	Points
1	RUS	382	12	CAN	85	23	SVK	27
2	ITA	337	13	AUT	77	24	KAZ	26
3	CHN	317	14	GBR	75	25	SWE	25
4	USA	249	15	ISR	62	25	CZE	25
5	FRA	226	16	JPN	55	27	VEN	22
6	HUN	196	17	SUI	54	28	IRI	19
7	POL	193	18	ESP	49	29	NOR	18
8	KOR	185	19	NED	43	29	LAT	18
9	GER	184	20	POR	38	31	EST	12
10	UKR	99	21	BLR	37	32	HKG	11
11	ROM	93	12	GRE	30			

Participation

Weapon	Cadets	Juniors	Team
Women's Epée	61 F / 27 N	97 F / 41 N	24 N
Men's Epée	85 F / 39 N	130 F / 52 N	35 N
Women's Foil	66 F / 34 N	67 F / 34 N	16 N
Men's Foil	76 F / 38 N	116 F / 49 N	24 N
Women's Sabre	42 F / 17 N	60 F / 29 N	14 N
Men's Sabre	59 F / 29 N	75 F / 34 N	19 N

3 - SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003

These World Championships were held in Havana (CUB) from 4th – 11th October 2003.

Officials

The following officials were appointed by the FIE

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Julius	Kralik	SVQ	President of the Technical DirectorY
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Julio Cesar	Gonzalez Tirador	CUB	Technical Director
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Roger	Hsu	TPE	Technical Director
Pierre	Thullberg	SWE	Technical Director
Mounir	Ayman	EGY	Technical Director (Reserve)
Anibal	Illueca	PAN	Head of Protocol
Daniel	De Chainé	USA	SEMI Commission Delegate
Marcello	Baiocco	ITA	SEMI Commission Delegate
Jose Miguel	Morejon Vizcaino	CUB	SEMUI Commission Delegate
Peter	Harmer	USA	Medical Commission Delegate
Ryszard	Szczepanski	POL	Medical Commission Delegate
Emmanuel	Katsiadakis	GRE	Delegate Head of the Refereeing Commission
Ana	Pascu	ROM	Refereeing Commission Delegate
George	Kolombatovich	USA	Refereeing Commission Delegate
Moris	Sakhvadze	GEO	Refereeing Commission Delegate

Referees

Guenadi	Akulich	BLR	Chang Gon	Kim	KOR
José L.	Alvarez	ESP	Irina	Knysh	AUT
Shay	Bar-Joseph	ISR	Fabio	Lozano Veladia	COL
Pascal	Cantin	CAN	Emilian	Nuta	ROM
Shisheng	Chu	CHN	Peter	Osvath	AUS
Derek	Cotton	USA	Ali	Poursalman	IRI
Tamer	El Araby	EGY	Alex	Raizman	RSA
Bjorn	Faye	NOR	Carlos	Rios Rivera	MEX
Bruno	Gaby	FRA	Peter	Roth	GER
Tahar	Grabsia	ALG	David	Sakhvadze	GEO
Victor S.	Groupierre	ARG	Marco	Siesto	ITA
Vadim	Gutzait	UKR	Keith	Smith	GBR
Dimitris	Hatzissarantos	GRE	Regis	Trois de Avila	BRA
Joszef	Hidasi	HUN	Evgueni	Tsouklo	RUS
Hareo	Hirooka	JPN	Rodrigo	Vazquez	CHI
Wael	Hussin	KUW	San-Tsai	Wang	TPE
Piotr	Kielpikowski	POL	Robert	Wolthuis	NED

Results of Individual Competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Country	Rank	Men's Epée	Country
1	CONRAD Natalia	UKR	1	JEANNET Fabrice	FRA
2	NISIMA Maureen	FRA	2	KHVOROST Maksym	UKR
3	CASCIOLI Cristiana	ITA	3	ZAKHAROV Vitali	BLR
3	LI Na	CHN	3	ROBEIRI Ulrich	FRA
5	FLESSEL-COLOVIC Laura	FRA	5	SEPULVEDA Eduardo	ESP
6	HORMAY Adrienn	HUN	6	SCHMID Sven	GER

7	BOKEL Claudia	GER	7	BORIS BARRIENTO Camilo	CUB
8	SIVKOVA Anna	RUS	8	THOMPSON Soren	USA
Rank	Women's Foil	Country	Rank	Men's Foil	Country
1	VEZZALI Valentina	ITA	1	JOPPICH Peter	GER
2	GRUCHALA Sylwia	POL	2	VANNI Simone	ITA
3	MOHAMED Aida	HUN	3	CASSARA Andrea	ITA
3	SCARLAT Roxana	ROM	3	GUYART Brice	FRA
5	TRILLINI Giovanna	ITA	5	SANZO Salvatore	ITA
6	YOUICHEVA Ekaterina	RUS	6	ATTELY Loic	FRA
7	BAUER Simone	GER	7	SCHLOSSER Roland	AUT
8	VARGA Gabriella	HUN	8	KRUSE Richard	GBR
Rank	Women's Sabre	Country	Rank	Men's Sabre	Country
1	MIHAI Dorina	ROM	1	LUKASHENKO Vladimir	UKR
2	TAN Xue	CHN	2	COVALIU Mihai	ROM
3	MARZOCCA Gioia	ITA	3	MONTANO Aldo	ITA
3	SOCHA Aleksandra	POL	3	FERJANCSIK Domonkos	HUN
5	JACOBSON Sada	USA	5	POZDNIakov Stanislav	RUS
6	NETCHAEVA Elena	RUS	6	TARANTINO Luigi	ITA
7	ZAGUNIS Mariel	USA	7	DIATCHENKO Alexei	RUS
8	FAEX MIELIN Ana	CUB	8	PASTORE Gianpiero	ITA

Results of Team Competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Country	Rank	Men's Epée	Country
1	Karina AZNAVOURIAN Oxana ERMAKOVA Tatiana LOGOUNOVA Anna SIVKOVA	RUS	1	Pavel KOLOBKOV Serguey KOTCHETKOV Alexei SELINE Igor TOURCHINE	RUS
2	Claudia BOKEL Imke DUPLITZER Britta HEIDEMANN Marijana MARKOVIC	GER	2	Norman ACKERMAN Joerg FIEDLER Christoph KNEIP Wolfgang REICH	GER
3	Adrienn HORMAY Ildiko MINCZA Timea NAGY Hajnalka TOTH	HUN	3	Robert DINGL Magnus MALMGREN Frederik NILSSON Peter VANKY	SWE
Rank	Women's Foil	Country	Rank	Men's Foil	Country
1	Sylwia GRUCHALA Magda MROCZKIEWICZ Anna RYBICKA Malgorzata WOJTKOWIAK	POL	1	Andrea CASSARA Marco RAMACCI Salvatore SANZO Simone VANNI	ITA
2	Svetlana BOIKO Eugyenia LAMONOVA Viktoria NIKICHINA Ekaterina YOUICHEVA	RUS	2	Haibin WANG Hanxiong WU Chong YE Rui ZHOU	CHN
3	Laura Gabriela CARLESCU BADEA Roxana SCARLAT Cristina STAHL Reka SZABO	ROM	3	Dominik BEHR Ralf BISSDORF Peter JOPPICH Andre WESSELS	GER
Rank	Women's Sabre	Country	Rank	Men's Sabre	Country
1	Ilaria BIANCO Alessandra LUCCHINO Gioia MARZOCCA Rosanna PAGANO	ITA	1	Serguei CHARIKOV Alexei DIATCHENKO Stanislav POZDNIakov Alexey YAKIMENKO	RUS
2	Yingying BAO Haiyang HUANG Xue TAN	CHN	2	Domonkos FERJANCSIK Kende FODOR Balazs LENGYEL	HUN

	Ying ZHANG			Zsolt NEMCSIK	
3	Elena AMIROVA Elena JEMAYEVA Janna SIUKAYEVA Angela VOLKOVA	AZE	3	Dmytro BOIKO Vladimir LUKASHENKO Oleg SHTURBABIN Vladislav TRETIAK	UKR

Nations' Cup

Rank	Country	Points	Rank	Country	Points
1	ITA	353	27	AUS	28
2	RUS	271	27	KAZ	28
3	FRA	253	29	VEN	26
4	GER	248	29	SUI	26
5	CHN	219	31	HKG	24
6	HUN	209	32	DEN	22
7	POL	189	33	KUW	8
8	ROM	167	33	PUR	8
9	UKR	161	35	ISR	6
10	USA	129	35	MDA	6
11	KOR	90	35	CZE	6
12	CUB	86	35	CHI	6
13	JPN	71	35	COL	6
14	ESP	62	40	CRO	4
15	AUT	59	40	NOR	4
16	SWE	48	40	THA	4
17	GRE	42	40	IRL	4
18	EST	40	40	ISL	4
18	NED	40	40	SLO	4
20	GBR	38	40	ARG	4
21	CAN	36	47	ALG	2
21	EGY	36	47	LAT	2
23	BLR	32	47	GEO	2
23	BEL	32	47	GUA	2
23	AZE	32	47	NGR	2
26	POR	29	47	BRA	2

Medals

Medals in the World Championships (according to the Olympic system)

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	ITA	3	1	4	8
2	RUS	3	1	/	4
3	UKR	2	1	1	4
4	GER	1	2	1	4
5	FRA	1	1	2	4
5	ROM	1	1	2	4
7	CHN	/	3	1	4

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8	POL	1	1	1	3
9	HUN	/	1	3	4
10	AZE	/	/	1	1
10	BLR	/	/	1	1
10	SWE	/	/	1	1

Participation

Weapon	Individual	Team
Women's Epée	120 F / 43 N	91 F / 24 N
Men's Epée	160 F / 37 N	152 F / 39 N
Women's Foil	68 F / 27 N	53 F / 14 N
Men's Foil	124 F / 43 N	104 F / 27 N
Women's Sabre	73 F / 26 N	58 F / 15 N
Men's Sabre	106 F / 43 N	75 F / 20 N

4 - VETERAN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003

The Veteran World Championships were held at Limoges (FRA) from 4th to 7th September 2003.

The following officials were appointed :

Max	Geuter	GER	FIE delegate
Salah	Ferjani	TUN	Refereeing Commission delegate
Guy	Azemar	FRA	Medical Commission delegate
Eric	De Coninck	FRA	SEMI Commission delegate
Geraldine	Baumgart		Member of the Technical Directorate
Bernard	Gauthier	FRA	Member of the Technical Directorate
Hans	Notter	SUI	Member of the Technical Directorate

Competition Results

Women's Epée 50-59	Country	Women's Epée 60 +	Country
1- SOMEROJA Marja Liisa	FIN	1 - DEMAILLE Marie Chantal	FRA
2 - NAEGELE Brigitte	GER	2 - WALDMANN Margit	GER
3 - HALSTED Clare	GBR	3 - COOKSEY Janet	GBR
3 - MARTIN Annick	FRA	3 - DOBLOUG Lisa	NOR
Men's Epée 50-59	Country	Men's Epée 60 +	Country
1 - KÜHN Norbert	GER	1 - LAPOUGE Gérard	FRA
2 - DAMAS Fernando	ESP	2 - SCHIEL Robert	LUX
3 - CUOMO Bruno	ITA	3 - FARE Malcolm	GBR
3 - JOHNSON Ralph	GBR	3 - KOETTING Albrecht	GER
Women's Foil 50-59	Country	Women's Foil 60 +	Country
1 - WESSEL Ute	GER	1 - DEMAILLE Marie-Chantal	FRA
2 - PALM Kerstin	SWE	2 - WUERTTEMBERGER Karin	GER
3 - HALSTED Clare	GBR	3 - COOKSEY Janet	GBR
3 - VARDI Monique	FRA	3 - GORIUS Baerbel	GER

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Men's Foil 50-59	Country	Men's Foil 60 +	Country
1 - BIEBEL Joseph	USA	1 - HARTLEY Simon	GBR
2 - NAKAJIMA Isao	JPN	2 - STEFFEN Burkhard	GER
3 - DUTRIPON Jean Marie	FRA	3 - HIRT Franz	GER
3 - TAKEISHI Kazuo	JPN	3 - KAMUTI Jenö	HUN
Men's Sabre 50-59	Country	Men's Sabre 60 +	Country
1 - KORFANTY Edward	USA	1 - BARON Peter	GBR
2 - PAROLI Giulio	ITA	2 - HALL William	USA
3 - TAKEISHI Kazuo	JPN	3 - ESSER Charly	GER
3 - YUNG Wang	USA	3 - NETTINGSMEYER Wolf	GER

5 - CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS 2003

A - European senior championships

These Championships were held at Bourges (FRA) from 28th June to 3rd July 2003.

Results of individual competitions

Rank	Women's Epée		Country	Men's Epée		Country
1	LOGOUNOVA	Tatiana	RUS	BOCZKO	Gabor	HUN
2	VOSU	Maarika	EST	KOLOBKOV	Pavel	RUS
3	AUGROS	Claire	FRA	MOTYKA	Tomasz	POL
3	MINCZA	Ildiko	HUN	OBRY	Hugues	FRA
Rank	Women's Foil		Country	Men's Foil		Country
1	VARGA	Gabriella	HUN	SEFT	Simon	GER
2	VEZZALI	Valentina	ITA	GOMES	Joao	POR
3	BOJKO	Svetlana	RUS	BREUTNER	Richard	GER
3	YOUCHEVA	Ekaterina	RUS	FERRARI	Jean-Noel	FRA
Rank	Women's Sabre		Country	Men's Sabre		Country
1	BIANCO	Ilaria	ITA	POZDNIAKOV	Stanislaw	RUS
2	MAKEEVA	Natalia	RUS	IAKIMENKO	Alexei	RUS
3	CSABA	Edina	HUN	SANSON	Boris	FRA
3	NETCHAEVA	Elena	RUS	TARANTINO	Luigi	ITA

Results of team competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Men's Epée	Women's Foil
1	RUS	FRA	POL
2	EST	UKR	ITA
3	ITA	ITA	RUS
4	HUN	SUI	HUN
5	POL	HUN	ROM
6	UKR	EST	GER
7	FRA	BLR	FRA
8	GER	POR	MDA
Rank	Men's Foil	Women's Sabre	Men's Sabre
1	FRA	RUS	RUS
2	HUN	FRA	ITA
3	RUS	AZE	POL
4	AUT	GBR	HON

5	POL	HUN	ROU
6	POR	ITA	UKR
7	ITA	POL	FRA
8	GER	ROM	

B - European Junior/Cadet Championships

These Championships were held at Petit-Bourg (GUA) from 25th to 31st October 2003.

Results of individual cadet competitions

Rank	Women's Epée cadets	Men's Epée cadets	Women's Foil cadets
1	ASTASIE Maité (GUA)	RAABON Renald (GUA)	MORMANDI Flava (ARG)
2	GUILLAUME Jessy (GUA)	THEOBALD Yohann (GUA)	JEAN FRANCOIS Steevy (GUA)
3	LAINÉ Malika (GUA)	BOREL Yannick (GUA)	GARCIA Barbara (CHI)
3	ALBANIA Kuri (MEX)	KENNEY Clayton (USA)	PEREZ Priscilla (PUR)
Rank	Men's Foil cadets	Women's Sabre cadets	Men's Sabre cadets
1	ASTASIE Maité (GUA)	HERRERA Maria (CHI)	THANHOUSER William (USA)
2	GUILLAUME Jessy (GUA)	RUIZ Daniela (CHI)	BAUM Jeff (USA)
3	LAINÉ Malika (GUA)	JEAN FRANCOIS Steevy (MAR)	MARROQUIN Leonidas (ESA)
3	ALBANIA Kuri (MEX)	MEDINA Annia (GUA)	TORRES Gabriel (PUR)

Results of individual junior competitions

Rank	Women's Epée juniors	Men's Epée juniors	Women's Foil juniors
1	PEREZ MAURICE Belen (ARG)	CLEORON Jonathan (MAR)	PEREZ MAURICIO (ARG)
2	ASTASIE Maité (GUA)	MOUTOU Jeremy (GUA)	MORMANDI F. (ARG)
3	LAINÉ Malika (GUA)	DOMINGUEZ José Felix (ARG)	DEUTSCHER C. (PAR)
3	MONTECINOS Pias (CHI)	RAABON Renald (GUA)	GUILLAUME Gessie (GUA)
Rank	Men's Foil juniors	Women's Sabre juniors	Men's Sabre juniors
1	INDUNI Santiago (ARG)	BACELIS Angela (MEX)	THANHOUSER William (USA)
2	HERNANDEZ Alejandro (COL)	BELAVAL Leïlani (PUR)	MERY A. (CHI)
3	DOMINGUEZ Jose Felix (ARG)	MEDINA Annia (GUA)	MARROQUIN Leonidas (ESA)
3	LUGO Jonathan (PUR)	RUIZ Daniela (CHI)	MEDINA A. (CHI)

C - XIVth Pan American Games

These Championships were held at St-Domingue (DOM) from 2nd to 7th August 2003.

Results of individual competitions

Rank	Women's Epée		Country	Men's Epée		Country
1	GÓMEZ CHIVAS	Eimey	CUB	BORIS BARRIENTO	Camilo	CUB
2	MACKAY	Sherraine	CAN	FERNÁNDEZ	Silvio	VEN
3	ÁLVAREZ	Endrina	VEN	BERNIER	Víctor	PUR
3	JIMÉNEZ	Jesika	PAN	INOSTROZA B.	Paris A.	CHI
5	ESPINOSA TORO	Ángela M.	COL	LIMARDO	Rubén	VEN
6	BRAVO ARANKUIZ	Caterin	CHI	PENA	Jonathan	PUR
7	EIM	Stefanie	USA	AZURDIA	Marcos F. A.	GUA
8	SPILMAN	Elisabeth	USA	SIMONT	Arturo	MEX
Rank	Women's Foil		Country	Men's Foil		Country
1	GONZÁLEZ	Mariana	VEN	KELLNER	Dan	USA
2	CROSS	Emily	USA	TIOMKIN	Jonathan	USA
3	RIBOT LAUGART	Arianne	CUB	PEROJO VALDÉS	Raúl	CUB
3	SMART	Erinn	USA	SUÁREZ ANDINA	Reinier	CUB
5	GORGUET SIMEON	Odalys	CUB	DA SILVA	Enrique	VEN
6	ESCANELLA	Mirtheseka	PUR	RODRÍGUEZ VARGAS	Carlos E.	VEN
7	FUENMAYOR	Johana	VEN	CARDOSO	Marcos	BRA
8	CARBONE	Alejandra	ARG	CHUMACERO	Edgar	MEX
Rank	Women's Sabre		Country	Men's Sabre		Country
1	JACOBSON	Sada	USA	LEE	Iván	USA
2	BENÍTEZ	Alejandra	VEN	BRAVO	Carlos	VEN
3	FAEZ MICLIN	Ana	CUB	BOULOS	Michael	CAN
3	JACOBSON	Emily	USA	ROGERS	Jason N.	USA
5	PATTARO	Elora	BRA	SALMERON	José	ESA
6	GUTIÉRREZ	Jerimar	VEN	DRAJER	Diego	ARG
7	GONZÁLEZ POZO	Maylin	CUB	MAYA CAMEJO	Cándido	CUB
8	GARCÍA	Cecilia	ESA	RINCONES	Eliécer	VEN

Results of team competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Men's Epée	Men's Foil	Men's Sabre
1	CUB	CUB	USA	USA
2	USA	VEN	CUB	VEN
3	CAN	PUR	VEN	CUB
4	VEN	USA	BRA	CAN
5	COL	CHI	ARG	ARG
6	PAN	MEX	COL	ESA
7	CHI	BRA	PUR	BRA
8	PUR	COL	NCA	DOM

D - UNIVERSIADS

These 22nd Universiads were held at Daegu (KOR) from 21st to 31st August 2003.

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Results of individual competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Country	Rank	Men's Epée	Country
1	KIM, Hee Jeong	KOR	1	LUCENAY, Jean-Michel	FRA
2	ZHANG, Li	CHN	2	STEFFEN, Benjamin	SUI
3	LI, Na	CHN	3	MARIK, Christoph	AUT
3	LUO, Xiaojuan	CHN	3	TOURCHINE, Igor	RUS
Rank	Women's Foil	Country	Rank	Men's Foil	Country
1	NAM, Hyun Hee	KOR	1	ZHANG, Liangliang	CHN
2	LOBYNTSEVA, Olga	RUS	2	HA, Chang Duk	KOR
3	JUNG, Kil Ok	KOR	3	FUKUDA, Yusuke	JPN
3	LAMONOVA, Evgenia	RUS	3	ICHIKAWA, Kyoya	JPN
Rank	Women's Sabre	Country	Rank	Men's Sabre	Country
1	TAN, Xue	CHN	1	LUKASHENKO, Volodymyr	UKR
2	NECHAEVA, Elena	RUS	2	OH, Eun Seok	KOR
3	BAO, Yingying	CHN	3	DECSI, Tamas	HUN
3	MAKEEVA, Natalia	RUS	3	FROSIN, Alexey	RUS

Results of team competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Country	Men's Epée	Country
1	SHUTOVA, Liubov SHEPTALINA, Anastasya SHURUPINA, Ekaterina LOGUNOVA, Tatiana	RUS	NIKISHYN, Bogdan OSHAROV, Vitaliy KARYUCHENKO, Dmitriy KHVOROST, Maksym	UKR
2	ZHANG, Li LUO, Xiaojuan LI, Na SHEN, Weiwei	CHN	XIE, Yongjun WANG, Lei LIU, Qi TUO, Tong	CHN
3	ALEKSEJEVA, Olga EMBRICH, Irina VOLOVIK, Olga	EST	BOCZKO, Gabor HORVATH, Arpad PADAR, Tamas KOLCZONAY, Gabor	HUN
Rank	Women's Foil	Country	Men's Foil	Country
1	SU, Wanwen ZHANG, Lei LIU, Yuan MENG, Jie	CHN	WU, Hanxiang ZHOU, Rui ZHANG, Liangliang ZHANG, Jie	CHN
2	OH, Hana NAM, Hyun Hee LEE, Hye Sun JUNG, Kil OK	KOR	KO, Jae Won CHOI, Byung Chul HA, Chang Duk KIM, Yun Su	KOR
3	LOBYNTSEVA, Olga NIKISHINA, Viktoriya ROUZAVINA, Yana LAMONOVA, Evgenia	RUS	GRIDNEV, Igor GANEEV, Renal MOLCHAN, Yury STUKALIN, Alexander	RUS
Rank	Women's Sabre	Country	Men's Sabre	Country
1	TAN, Xue HUANG, Haiyang	CHN	AIBOUCHEV, Dmitri YAKIMENKO, Alexey	RUS

	ZHANG, Ying BAO, Yingying		FROSIN, Alexey DIATCHENKO, Alexey	
2	MAKEEVA, Natalia VELIKAYA, Sofya BAZHENOVA, Irina NECHAEVA, Elena	RUS	LUKASHENKO, Volodymyr TRETYAK, Vladyslav SHTURBABIN, Oleh SHKALIKOV, Sermiy	UKR
3	HISAGAE, Madoka OGAWA, Chiyo KANEKO, Sakura	JPN	CASARES, Ignacio CASARES, Fernando PINA, Jorge MARTI, Jaime	ESP

Participation

Weapon	Individual	Team
Women's Epée	54 F / 21 N	8 N
Men's Epée	60 F / 22 N	13 N
Women's Foil	41 F / 15 N	11 N
Men's Foil	53 F / 25 N	12 N
Women's Sabre	41 F / 15 N	6 N
Men's Sabre	33 F / 12 N	8 N

Nations medals

Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1 - CHN	5	3	3	11
2 - RUS	2	3	6	11
3 - KOR	2	4	1	7
4 - UKR	2	1	-	3
5 - FRA	1	-	-	1
6 - JPN	-	-	3	3
7 - SUI	-	1	-	1
8 - HUN	-	-	2	2
9 – 12 ex-aequo 3 nations				
AUT	-	-	1	1
ESP	-	-	1	1
EST	-	-	1	1
total	12	12	18	42

E - 5th AFRICAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

These Championships were held at Dakar (SEN) from 13th to 20th September 2003.

Results of individual competitions

Rank	Women's Epée	Country	Rank	Men's Epée	Country
1	HAYOUNI Mariem	TUN	1	BEN AZIZA Maher	TUN
2	BEN CHAABENE Imen	TUN	2	BEN REDOUNE Mohamed	SEN

Rank	Women's Foil	Country	Rank	Men's Foil	Country
1	BOUBAKRI Ines	TUN	1	AL AZIZI Sofiene	ALG
2	GUERN Said Wassila	ALG	2	TAIR Zakaria	ALG
Rank	Women's Sabre	Country	Rank	Men's Sabre	Country
1	SMANDI Sondes	TUN	1	RABAI Mohamed	TUN
2	YEMMI Wassila	ALG	2	BERNAOUI Raouf	ALG

Results of team competitions

	Rank	Women	Rank	Men
Foil	1	/	1	TUN
	2	/	2	ALG
	3	/	3	MAR
	4	/	4	SEN
Epée	1	TUN	1	TUN
	2	ALG	2	SEN
	3	SEN	3	MAR
	4		4	ALG
Sabre	1	TUN	1	ALG
	2	SEN	2	TUN
	3	ALG	3	MAR
			4	ALG

II. DEVELOPMENT OF FENCING WORLDWIDE

The FIE's work in developing and offering technical support intensified and diversified in order to make it more effective and worthwhile. We wanted to put in place all the stages necessary to attain the goal of each federation : **the visible improvement of sporting results**. The work was undertaken in the following ways :

1. Work to **establish a base** for young candidates to become skilled in the use of weapons through our **permanent schools and our travelling school**.
2. Action for **long-term improvement and retraining (3 months)** for coaches. This work was achieved in collaboration with Olympic Solidarity in specialised institutions.
3. **Short term improvement courses** (2 weeks maximum), funded by Olympic Solidarity or by a national federation.
4. **Training courses for athletes** before the World Championships, organised by the FIE. The principal objective of this new venture, which is funded entirely by the FIE, is to offer fencers from every continent the possibility of **preparing together in order to take part in** the World Championships.

1. Schools

The permanent schools for Maitres d'Armes and organisers of the Central American improvement courses continue their work. The FIE and Olympic Solidarity, who subsidise part of this programme, exercise control from time to time over the sporting and financial viability of these schools.

In this way, five schools took part in the 2003 programme :

- **School of Santa Cruz of Bolivia**

The starting up of this school for South America was planned for January, 2003. For technical reasons (the expert was not available) the school has not begun its activities yet.

- **School of Dakar**

The year 2003 dedicated the second promotion of the fencing masters who took the exam of diploma successfully. Among them, the very first teachers for the African federations, recently affiliated to the FIE, mainly Burkina Faso, Niger and Mali. The candidates gave evidence of a surprising competence for young people who have never practised fencing previously.

This school thus confirmed its international vocation and it will remain the international training centre of the African Confederation. Regrettably, the trainer of this school, Master Dominique Solari passed away.

The FIE, in association with the Senegalese Fencing Federation, is trying to find an expert who will continue the training work in Dakar.

- **School of Cape Town**

The FIE maintained its support to the school of South Africa. This school works with two centres: the North centre in Cape Town supervised by Mr Misha Galoukhin and the South centre for the coloured communities of Soweto and Mamelodi having for expert Andrey Kovrijnikh.

In Cape Town 6 fencing masters were awarded a diploma in 2003. Besides, 4 trainers of the last promotion had found a job in clubs.

The work of the trainers of club of Soweto and Mamelodi was very effective. Mpho Nkoane with his épée team won two medals at a National Championship.

- **School of Oceania**

In 2003, the OFMA (Oceania Fencing Master's Academy) organised training courses in several cities of Australia: Perth, Melbourne, Canberra and Sydney. The system of accreditation of the trainers in Australia obliges the technical executives to update their knowledge in recycling courses. OFMA ensured the technical part of fencing for the exams aiming at up-dating knowledge.

As regards the activity of the school in Oceania, the trainers of New Zealand often participated in training or improvement courses organized in Melbourne. The Australian Fencing Federation always invited a great number of countries from Southeast Asia to participate in its training courses under the aegis of the Olympic Solidarity.

- **Centro-American Itinerant School**

Without having a fixed base, the technical trainers of the Cuban Fencing Federation are in charge of conducting long-term training courses according to the demands of central American countries. This type of training has proved to be most welcome to the various countries concerned and well adapted to the needs of the National Federations. Countries having benefited from this type of training include Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador, Guatemala, Panama, etc.

2. Training courses (Olympic Solidarity and others)

Training and improvement courses for fencing masters

Place : Beyruth (LIB)

Dates : 16-21.12.2002

Expert : Ioan Pop (FIE) and Patrick Boîte (FRA)

Weapons : foil, épée and sabre

Place: Doha (Qatar)

Dates : 28.12.2002-13.01.2003

Expert : Michèle Perrin (FRA) and Ali Belhadj (TUN)

Arme : sabre and épée

Place : Bucarest (Romania)

Date : 1.05.-1.08.2003

Experts : Stefan Haukler (ROM)

Place : Djakarta (Indonesia)

Date : 16-28.06.2003

Experts : Serguei Golubitski (UKR)

Place: San José (Costa Rica)

Date: 10-16.06.2003

Experts : Jorge Luis Chiquet Castro (CUB)

Place:: Tunis (TUN)

Date : 1-10.08.2003

Experts : Daniel Levavasseur (FRA)

Place: Patiala
Date : 4-22.08.2004
Experts : Giorgio GUERRINI (ITA)

Place:: Montreal
Date : 21-31.08.2003
Experts : Laszlo Szepesi (HUN)

Place: : Beijing (CHN)
Date : 1-12.12.2003
Expert : Christian Bauer (FRA)

3. Courses for preparation of the International Fencing Federation

The International Fencing Federation, true to its programme of the development of fencing in all geographical areas, has continued to offer help, with the aim of the improvement of **athletes**. Many technical courses, already becoming traditional, took place before the World Championships.

a) Course for preparation and participation in the 2003 junior/cadet World Championships in Trapani (ITA)

The International Fencing Federation pursued its programme of development, notably with the organisation of an international training course of 8 days before the junior/cadet World championships in Trapani, with the participation of some 35 junior fencers from 35 different countries of the 4 geographic zones.

b) Course for preparation and participation in the 2003 World Championships in Havana (CUBA)

The International Fencing Federation organised an international training course in Havana from 26th September to 4th October during the week before the World Championships.

32 fencers from 32 different countries and 4 continents took part in the course, which enabled participants to prepare themselves better, with the chance of fencing more competition bouts with different opponents.

The varying sporting levels of the participants allowed everyone to enjoy a valuable exchange of experience. Despite some logistical problems at the beginning of the course, which were resolved by the Cuban Fencing Federation, the course was a great success for the participants.

4 - Material aid

The programme of material aid to the most needy Federations is still in operation. The following national federations have benefited from material aid : Algeria, Bulgaria, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, Georgia, Guatemala, Honduras, Qatar, Senegal.

We would like to thank all those who were involved in putting this report together.

Lausanne, 29th October 2003