



International Sports Events in Taiwan 2016

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Chinese Taipei University Sports Federation

## Foreword



Taiwan holds approximately 100 international sports events every year with the aim of letting the world see Taiwan. We anticipate that our athletes can seize these opportunities to achieve success and look forward to outstanding performances from top athletes from all over the world. That way the public can experience the excitement of world-class international events right here at home. This year the Sports Administration of the Ministry of Education integrated the resources of city and county governments, national sports federations, and enterprises to hold 112 international sports events. These events have invigorated greater enthusiasm for sports, improved our competitiveness, enlarged the sports spectator population, and increased the sports lottery income. Here, I would like to thank everyone for your devotion and support enabling Taiwan's international sports events to continue flourishing and achieving mutual benefits and prosperity.

All of this year's competitions were very exciting, but due to space limitations this special issue only includes some of the events sponsored by the Sports Development Fund of the Ministry of Education. Events such as the 2016 WTA Taiwan Open tennis tournament with total prize money of US\$500,000 attracted 9 of the world's top 100 players to come compete in Taiwan, including the former world champion Venus Williams. Taiwan's own tennis players, sisters Yong-Ran Chan and Hao-Ching Chan, lived up to our expectations keeping the championship title in Taiwan and also donating their entire championship prize of US\$17,724 (about NT\$590,000) to households affected by the Tainan earthquake. The 2016 Fubon LPGA Taiwan Championship with total prize money of US\$2 million attracted a formidable lineup of 14 of the top 20 players on the world prize money list, including Lydia Ko, the young player from New Zealand who just won a silver medal at the Rio Olympic women's golf tournament this year, as well as Shanshan Feng, the Olympic bronze medalist and China's top women's golfer. The Yonex Open Chinese Taipei offered total prize money of US\$200,000, and both of our own players Tian-Cheng Chou and Tsi-Ying Tai kept the respective championship titles in men's and women's singles in Taiwan. The 2 gold and 1 silver medal won by the Chinese Taipei team also set a new record.

In addition, the 50th 2016 New Taipei City International Children's Games (ICG) was held in New Taipei City in July. There were 83 cities with 2,000 youth aged 12 to 15 participating in this competition and the event received international praise. Taiwan has proven highly capable of holding major international multi-sport events and international single sport events, earning the unanimous support and affirmation of the international and local sports community. Sharing the glory together, I believe that next year Taiwan will make further strides. On top of hosting over 100 competitions, Taiwan is gearing up to host our largest sports event ever - the 2017 Taipei Universiade. We anticipate a spectacular event and hope everyone comes out together to cheer for Taiwan.

Director-General

*Ha Jaw-Fei*

Sports Administration, Ministry of Education  
December 23, 2016



# SPORT





**35,000**

**Domestic Athletes**



**112**

**Int' l Sports Events**



**10,000**

**Foreign Athletes**



**Over 100 exciting  
International Sports**



**700,000**

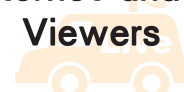
**Spectators**



**50,000,000**

( Domestic and Overseas )

**Internet and TV  
Viewers**



**10,000**

**Volunteers**





# Exciting International Sports Events in 2016



## ARCHERY

The **Asia Cup World Ranking Tournament Stage II** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Archery Association and held from September 8 to 13 at the National Taiwan University of Sport Athletic Field. A total of 400 archers from 9 nations competed and our nation won 3 gold, 4 silver, and 4 bronze medals. The event attracted 480 spectators and over 2,000 viewers. This year's competition was classified as a test tournament for the 2017 Taipei Universiade, and it was also important because it was the first point tournament held by our nation since World Archery (WA) added the point tournament certification standard in 2015.

## ATHLETICS

The Chinese Taipei Athletics Association organized two events this year.

The **Taiwan Athletics Open** was held from May 19 to 20 at the Taoyuan City Stadium. A total of 724 athletes from 24 nations competed, and Taiwan won 14 gold, 14 silver, and 17 bronze medals. Our Olympic training team set a new U20 world record of 39.51 seconds in the 4x100 meter relay. The up-and-coming speedster Jun-Han Yang also defended his gold medal against strong competitors and set a new Open record with a time of 20.78 seconds in the 200 meter race. Many top international athletes competed at this year's competition including the 2012 London Olympics women's triple jump gold medalist. There were nearly 3,000 spectators in attendance and over 57,000 viewers.

On March 20, the Association organized the **Wan Jin Shi Marathon** in New Taipei City with 12,000 marathoners from 30 countries competing. The event attracted nearly 3,000 spectators and over 11,000 viewers. This is the 14th year of the event, and in 2015 it won the bronze label certification of IAAF. In addition to holding events which meet international standards, the organizer has a longstanding cooperation with local governments in successfully marketing urban tourism and promoting sports in northern Taiwan.

## BASEBALL

The Chinese Taipei Baseball Association organized two events this year.

The **LLB Junior League Baseball Asia-Pacific Regional Tournament** was held from June 28 to July 3 in Pingtung County with 120 players from 6 nations competing. Our nation won the championship and represented the Asia-Pacific region in the Junior League Baseball World Series. The event attracted nearly 6,000 spectators and over 750,000 viewers.

The **XI BFA U18 Baseball Championship** was held from August 30 to September 4 at the Taichung Intercontinental Baseball Stadium and the National Taiwan University of Sport Baseball Stadium. A total of 192 players from 8 nations competed in the tournament, and our country won the runner-up honors. The event attracted nearly 12,000 spectators and 23 million viewers. The tournament started back in 1994 and is held biennially. Taiwan hosted the 4th and the 7th editions of this tournament in years past so this year marked our third time.

The Chinese Professional Baseball League organized one event this year.

The **Asian Winter Baseball Winter League** was held from November 25 to December 18 at the National Taiwan University of Sport Baseball Stadium, the Taichung Intercontinental Baseball Stadium, and Yunlin County's Douliu Baseball Stadium. This year's event was the fourth session and this year teams from Japan, Korea, Europe, and our nation are competing. Japan sent two teams to Taiwan and the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) assisted in inviting European countries to form a joint team to participate. Our country is represented by players from the Chinese Professional Baseball League and the 2017 Taipei Universiade training team. This year's tournament attracted the largest number of viewers ever reaching 10 million.



## BADMINTON

The Chinese Taipei Badminton Association organized two events this year.

The **Yonex Open Chinese Taipei** was held from June 29 to July 3 at the Taipei Arena. A total of 269 players from 17 nations competed and our nation captured 2 gold and 1 silver medal. This is Taiwan's highest-level international badminton tournament with total prize money of US\$200,000. Both Tian-Cheng Chou and Tsi-Ying Tai, top players on our respective men's and women's singles national team, won the championship. This marks the best ever performance by Taiwanese badminton players and sets a new milestone in our badminton history.

The **Chinese Taipei Masters** was held from October 11 to 16 at the Xinzhuang Gymnasium. A total of 227 players from 12 nations competed with total prize money of US\$55,000. Our men's doubles team of Hong-Lin Chen and Chi-Lin Wang put forth a stellar performance to secure the runner-up glory for Taiwan.



## BASKETBALL

The Chinese Taipei Basketball Association hosted the **38th William Jones Cup International Basketball Tournament** from July 23 to August 7 at Xinzhuang Stadium in New Taipei City. There were 9 men's teams and 6 women's teams representing 9 nations with a total of 300 players competing. Both our men's and women's teams came in 3rd place. The event attracted more than 50,000 spectators and over 500,000 viewers. The tournament also invited Taiwan's own Yong-Sheng Wu who is attending NCAA Division I California State University, Sacramento and Mighty Sports, a professional team from the Philippines consisting of players with NBA experience.

## CYCLING

The Chinese Taipei Cycling Association organized two events this year.

The **Tour de Taiwan** was held from March 6 to 10 in Taipei City, New Taipei City, Taoyuan City, Nantou County, Tainan City, Kaohsiung City, and Pingtung County. A total of 32 nations, 20 teams, and 100 cyclists competed. Since 2012 the round-Taiwan race was upgraded and certified by Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) as a 2.1 class Asian Tour. This year the event attracted nearly 10,000 spectators and was broadcast in 5 countries throughout Asia reaching 98 million households. The five stages of the tour highlighted the local cultural and environmental features along the route, substantially boosting domestic and foreign tourism and effectively promoting the beauty of Taiwan.

The **Taiwan Cup Track International Class** was held from June 2 to 9 at the Hsinchu Velodrome with a total of 192 cyclists from 11 countries competing. Our nation won 6 gold, 6 silver, and 9 bronze medals, and the event attracted over 5,000 spectators. Both elite and young cyclists competed in this race. In addition to increasing the overall competitiveness of our nation's cyclists, this event gave the public a chance to witness the power and elegance of velodrome track cycling live and invigorated local spectator interest and enthusiasm for sports.

The Chinese Taipei Sports Association of the Deaf organized one event this year.

The **2016 Cycling Tour de Formosa Tournament of the Deaf** was an event authorized by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (ICSD) that took place from November 1 to 8. It consisted of 7 stages throughout Taiwan and more than 50 cyclists from 7 nations competed. The first session of this event was held in 2008 and was originally organized as a warm-up competition for the 21st Summer Deaflympics 2009 also held in Taiwan. But this competition was such a success that the ICSD authorized Taiwan to continue holding the event, which is now known as the "Tour de France for the Hearing Impaired," and is one of a series of activities organized by the Tourism Bureau of the Ministry of Transportation and Communications for the Taiwan Cycling Festival. At this year's event our nation was represented by a hearing impaired team and also a team without hearing impairment consisting of the Chinese Taipei Cycling Association's top 10 riders of the year to add a bit of diversity.





## FENCING

The **Epee World Senior Satellite Tournament** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Fencing Association and held from December 17 to 18 at the Taipei Gymnasium. Nearly 300 fencers from 150 nations competed. This competition was the second international official point event held in Taiwan since 1997 and this year was classified as a test competition for the 2017 Taipei Universiade. This world-class fencing competition invigorated enthusiasm for the sport of fencing, generated tourism benefits, and proved to be a major overall success.

## FOOTBALL

The **International Friendly Match** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Football Association. From March to October 6 matches were held at Taipei Stadium and Kaohsiung National Stadium with over 240 players from Guam, Cambodia, Japan, Thailand, and East Timor competing. These matches attracted over 10,000 spectators and about 100,000 viewers.

As a way to get fans excited about coming out to watch and cheer for players, before games the organizer arranged for players to autograph game tickets and participate in interactive activities with fans, which received a warm response. In the final two games of the AFC Asian Cup 2019 Qualifier Play-Off held on October 8 and 11, the Chinese Taipei team made the best of their home field advantage winning two matches in a row to boost its FIFA ranking and advance the team into the third round of the Asian Cup qualification tournament.



## GOLF

A total of 17 youth, professional, and amateur golf events were held in 2016. The **APGC Junior Championship Mitsubishi Corporation Cup** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Golf Association and held from August 23 to 25 at the Sunrise Gold & Country Club. A total of 70 golfers from 19 countries competed in this tournament. Our nation won third place in the group competition and the event attracted nearly 500 spectators. Both the amount of participating nations and number of golfers competing exceeded the scale of previous sessions. The stakes were particularly high at this year's competition because it was classified as a test tournament for the 2017 Taipei Universiade.

The **PGA Tour** was organized by The PGA of Taiwan and held from April to October in golf courses around Taiwan. There were a total of 8 tournaments with 1,000 golfers from 124 nations competing. Our nation won 4 gold, 5 silver, and 5 bronze medals and the event attracted nearly 4,000 spectators and over 15,000 viewers. Two of these tournaments, the Yeader TPC Championship and Sun Flower TPGA Championship, were Asian Tour tournaments that allowed competitors to improve their individual points.

The **TLPGA Championship & Tour** was organized by the Taiwan Ladies Professional Golf Association and certified by the Women's World Golf Rankings (VWGR) and the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) as an official ranking tournament. The Tour was held from January to October in golf courses around Taiwan and there were a total of 7 tournaments with 676 golfers from 55 nations competing. Our nation won 3 gold, 7 silver, and 2 bronze medals. The Fubon LPGA Taiwan Tournament (with total prize money of US\$2 million) was sponsored by Fubon Financial Holdings and the U.S. star Stacy Lewis along with other elite golfers ranked in the world top 7 competed. The event attracted over 10,000 spectators and more than 16,000 viewers.

The **Fubon Senior Open & PGA Senior Championship** was organized by the Taiwan Senior Professional Golf Association and held from June 17 to 19 and September 7 to 9 respectively at Chang Gung Golf Club and Taipei Golf Club. A total of 274 amateur golfers from 25 countries competed in these tournaments and our nation won 2 gold medals in the senior group. These tournaments attracted more than 1,000 spectators and over 25,000 viewers. The Fubon Senior Open (with total prize money of NT\$5.6 million) was sponsored by Fubon Financial Holdings for the 14th consecutive year and top golfers from Japan, Thailand, and Australia competed. These tournaments uphold the spirit of "staying young and passing on the experience" in the selection of amateur teenage players to compete with senior players and passing experience to the next generation.



## ICE HOCKEY

The Chinese Taipei Ice Hockey Federation is organized the **2017 IIHF Ice Hockey Women's World Championship Division II Group B Qualification**, the first International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) authorized world cup women's qualification tournament hosted by our country. It was held from December 12 to 18 in the auxiliary arena at Taipei Arena and 150 players from 5 nations competed, with only the winner moving on to the next tournament. Our nation represented by the 2015 Asian Women's Challenge Cup ice hockey team and they kept the championship title in Taiwan.

## JUDO

The Chinese Taipei Judo Federation organized two events this year. The **JUA Cadets & Junior Taipei** was held from August 27 to 28 at Banqiao Stadium with 102 athletes from 8 countries competing. Our nation won 12 gold, 19 silver, and 7 bronze medals and the event attracted more than 1,000 spectators and over 1,500 viewers. This was a point tournament for the 2018 Youth Olympics and the top young judo athletes gathered in Taiwan, which offered exchange opportunities for our nation's international competitors and enhanced competitiveness and overall sports atmosphere.

The **Asian Judo Open M&W Taipei** was held from September 3 to 4 at the National Taiwan Sport University Multipurpose Gymnasium. This tournament was an international ranking and point event with 123 athletes from 19 nations competing. Our nation won 1 gold, 2 silver, and 6 bronze medals and the event attracted 4,000 spectators and about 2,000 viewers. The Open has been held for the past 10 consecutive years and is considered the premier annual judo event in our country as well as being recognized as a major event throughout the Asian region. Participating nations perennially praise the quality of this event.



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## ROLLER SPORTS

The **Asia International Roller Sports Open** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Roller Sports Federation and held from December 3 to 6 at the Taipei City Yingfeng Riverside Park Roller Sports Rink. A total of 120 athletes from 5 nations competed in this event. Roller sports is an official event of the 2017 Taipei Universiade, and this year's competition was classified as a test tournament for the 2017 Taipei Universiade, so the stakes were high.



## SKATING

The **ISU Four Continents Figure Skating Championships** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Skating Union and took place from February 16 to 21 at the Taipei Arena. A total of 95 contestants from 14 nations competed and the event attracted 40,000 spectators and over 4 million viewers. Together with the World Figure Skating Championships and European Figure Skating Championships, these are ranked as the world's top three major events by the International Skating Union (ISU), second in importance only to the Winter Olympics. Our nation has held this event three times, resounding testimony that our capacity to organize major international competitions is well recognized by the international community.

## SAILING

The **RS : One World Championships** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Sailing Association and is our nation's highest-level World Sailing (WS) authorized event. It was held from September 25 to 30 at the Guanyin Pavilion in Penghu with more than 80 windsurfers from 18 countries competing. Our nation won 1 gold and 1 silver medal. The event attracted nearly 10,000 spectators and 100,000 viewers and successfully promoted Penghu's tourism development. Due to the competition's success, WS has authorized our country to continue hosting the event next year.

## TABLE TENNIS

The **Chinese Taipei Junior & Cadet Open** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Table Tennis Association and held from August 24 to 28 at the Xinzhuang Gymnasium in New Taipei City. A total of 47 teams consisting of 151 players from 10 countries competed. Our nation won 7 gold, 4 silver, and 14 bronze medals and the event attracted more than 10,000 spectators and over 20,000 viewers. This was an International Table Tennis Association (ITTF) Golden Series tournament with total prize money of US\$11,800. This was the second time our nation has hosted the Open and this year the stakes were high because the event was classified as a test tournament for the 2017 Taipei Universiade.

## TENNIS

The Chinese Taipei Tennis Association organized four WTA and ATP professional tennis tournaments this year. The **WTA Taiwan Open** (an international tour tournament with total prize money of US\$500,000) was held from February 6 to 14 at Kaohsiung's Yangming Tennis Center with 72 players from 19 nations competing. Our nation won the doubles title. The tournament invited 9 of the world's top 100 players to come compete in Taiwan, including the former world champion Venus Williams. The event attracted more than 10,000 spectators and over 60,000 viewers. The tournament is the highest-level professional women's tennis tournament ever held by our country. It was broadcast internationally throughout Asia and North America reaching more than 69 million households and thus increasing our nation's international exposure. The "Santaizi ATP Challenger" (an ATP challenger tournament with total prize money of US\$75,000) was held from April 23 to May 1 at the National Taiwan University Sports Center. A total of 56 players from 15 nations competed in the tournament, and our nation won both the doubles title and doubles third place.

The **OEC Kaohsiung ATP Challenger** (an ATP challenger tournament with total prize money of US\$125,000) was held from September 17 to 25 at Kaohsiung's Yangming Tennis Center with 53 players from 17 nations competing. Our nation won 2nd place in men's doubles. The **OEC Taipei WTA Challenger** (a WTA challenger tournament with total prize money of US\$125,000) was held from November 13 to 20 at the Taipei Arena with 49 players from 20 nations competing. In all, these three tournaments attracted a total of nearly 150,000 spectators and over 400,000 viewers.

## TRIATHLON

The **New Taipei Green Bay ASTC Triathlon Asian Cup and Strait Cup** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Triathlon Association and held on June 5 at Emerald Bay in New Taipei City. A total of 989 triathletes from 8 countries competed in the event, and Taiwan's own Tuan-Chun Chang won sixth place in the men's elite group, a big leap from his past performances. The event attracted nearly 2,500 spectators. Despite the hot weather, the triathletes persevered to the end and fully demonstrated the effectiveness of their training.

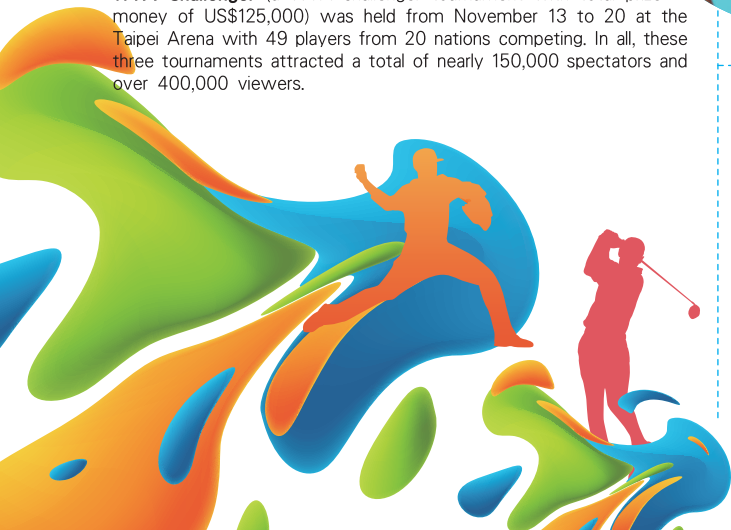
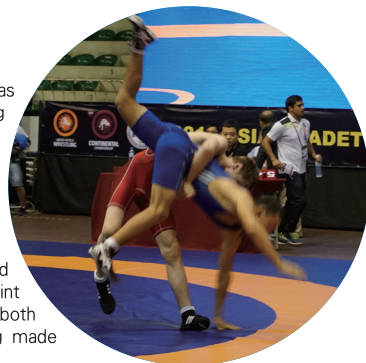


## VOLLEYBALL

The **18th Asian Men's U20 Volleyball Championship** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Volleyball Association and held from July 9 to 17 at the Kaohsiung Arena and Fengshan Stadium with 208 players from 16 countries competing. The event attracted nearly 26,000 spectators and over 25,000 viewers. This was an Asian region qualification event for the **2017 FIVB Volleyball Men's U20 World Championship** so each team was giving it their all to earn qualification. Since this event took place during summer vacation it attracted many student spectators, giving them a chance to broaden their international perspectives.

## WRESTLING

The **Asia Cadet Wrestling Championships** was organized by the Chinese Taipei Wrestling Association and held from July 7 to 9 at the National Taiwan University of Sport with 475 wrestlers from 18 countries competing. Our nation won 2 bronze medals and the event attracted more than 3,000 spectators and over 6,000 viewers. After a gap of 9 years, our nation once again received United World Wrestling (UWW) authorization to host this point tournament. The scale of this year's event with both the number of nations and wrestlers competing made it one of the largest ever.





## WUSHU

The **Asian Wushu Championships** was organized by the Kuoshu/Wushu Federation, Republic of China and marked the first time our nation has ever held the highest-level international wushu competition. This event was held from September 1 to 5 at the Taoyuan Arena with 248 competitors from 23 nations competing. Our nation won 1 gold, 4 silver, and 4 bronze medals. Wushu will be included as an optional discipline in the 2017 Taipei Universiade for the first time. This year's event is classified as a test competition for the 2017 Taipei Universiade and will help increase our nation's wushu competitiveness.

## International Children's Game

The **50th New Taipei City International Children's Games** was hosted by New Taipei City and held from July 11 to 16 at the Xinzhuang Stadium. There were a total of 9 events (athletics, swimming, table tennis, taekwondo, tennis, basketball, handball, football, and volleyball) with 1,600 athletes from 83 cities competing. Our nation had 13 city delegations competing and we won 46 gold, 40 silver, and 43 bronze medals with New Taipei City ranked 1st overall and Taipei City ranked 3rd, both very impressive performances. The event attracted more than 10,000 spectators and reached 520,000 viewers.

"Be strong, be friends" was the spirit of this year's Games and New Taipei City implemented an innovative "one school, one city" international reception program. This event emphasized international exchange of friendships and also integrated local environment and cultural features, giving participants from all over the world the opportunity to experience the natural and cultural beauty of New Taipei City. For the closing ceremony, the young athletes attended the Pingxi sky lantern festival where they wrote down their wishes and watched the lanterns drift into the sky, bringing a perfect end to the Games.



## Asian and World University Championships

The Chinese Taipei University Sports Federation organized an Asian University Championship and a World University Championship this year.

The **1st Asian University Women's Basketball Championship** was held from September 6 to 11 at the Taishan Gymnasium. A total of 148 athletes from 7 nations competed and the event attracted 1,300 spectators and nearly 30,000 viewers. Our nation was represented by the 2017 Taipei Universiade training team who successfully kept the 1st Asian University Women's Basketball Championship title in Taiwan. We look forward to their continued success at the upcoming 2017 Taipei Universiade.

The **5th World University Woodball Championship** was held at the National Taipei University of Nursing and Health Sciences from October 21 to 26. After a gap of 12 years, this event was once again held in our nation with a total of 57 athletes and 7 nations competing. Our nation won 4 gold, 1 silver, and 1 bronze medal and the event attracted nearly 1,000 spectators.

# 50th 2016

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## Guideline of the “International Competition Management Handbook”

The “ bidding ” and “ preparation ” of international competitions have related regulations that must be followed; the final quality of the competitions will impact our national image and the rights of members. The Sports Administration formulated the “ International Competition Management Handbook ” in 2015 that uses diagrams and text to explain critical aspects so that administration and sporting staff can quickly grasp major key points.



International Competition Management Handbook (PDF file)



Guideline of the “ International Competition Management Handbook ”

