

**Congratulatory Message from Dr. Chungwon Choue,
President of the World Taekwondo Federation**

Dearest athletes, officials, families, and fans,

I would like to send to you my warmest welcome to, and congratulations on, this occasion of the WTF-sanctioned German Open 2010.

This event is one of the most renowned international taekwondo championships that there is. It has a long and prestigious history that continues to attract world class competitors from around the globe. The WTF is very excited and pleased to sanction this tournament.

The German Open 2010 is yet another incredible part of this year's list of extraordinary occasions. In January, our taekwondo family grew to 190 nations as Oman joined the World Taekwondo Federation. This May will mark the 2nd WTF World Para-Taekwondo Championships in St. Petersburg, Russia, and in August, taekwondo will be one of the core sports in the first ever Youth Olympic Games in Singapore. All of these events show that taekwondo has become a universal sport bound by no limits; not by age, gender, race, nationality, nor physicality.

My sincerest congratulations go out to the organizers of this outstanding event for bringing together the finest athletes from around the world. To those athletes that are participating in this event, I wish you the best of luck on a successful tournament and hope that you achieve all of your goals and dreams.

Best wishes,

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