## International Union of Kettlebell Lifting (IUKL)



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## TO OPEN APPEAL TO ALL ATHLETES AND ENTHUSIASTS OF KETTLEBELL LIFTING

Dear friends!

IUKL calls on all those interested in the development of the international kettlebell movement to join forces and work together to achieve common goals.

IUKL was established in 1993 and the entire period up to now is guided in its activities by the principles of equality and pluralism, holding a broad discussion of any issues and making democratic decisions based on the opinions of its members. Unfortunately, during this period we observed the emergence and liquidation of many international organizations. As you can see, many leaders of these newly created organizations previously participated in the work of such international or national federations, but did not find support from most of their comrades and therefore chose to leave these organizations and declare new ones to achieve their own goals and realize their ambitions. But such actions only increase the dissociation of athletes and their separation in different organizations.

Therefore we call all similar organizations to combine effort and use the platform of IUKL for joint development of sport in strict accordance with the requirements of International sport structures and Olympic principles.

Today IUKL unites all National Federations and Associations, having confession of the state or National Olympic Committees in their countries. Therefore IUKL has high technical and organizational standards for international competitions, with the professional judging and maximally possible safe conducts. The competition rules of IUKL are accepted and adapted in many countries through National Federations. IUKL provides a global fight against doping in kettlebell lifting. The level of the system of management of IUKL already got a high estimation and confession as International sport structures as national sport institutes in many countries.

From 2009 IUKL is the member of the Association For International Sport for All, TAFISA and presents kettlebell lifting on TAFISA World Games.

From 2015 IUKL became a signatory to the World Anti-Doping Code as part of WADA.

In 2017, IUKL received the GAISF Observer Status and is now actively participating in the work of the GAISF / SportAccord under the patronage of the IOC.

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We call you also to use our wide possibilities for realization of sport potential on the official competitions of IUKL and administrative potential in joint work.

We invite all athletes and leaders of all alternative organizations to take part in official IUKL competitions. See the calendar plan of sports events and the Regulations of competitions on our website at the links:

http://www.giri-iukl.com/en/calendar-of-competitions/; http://www.giri-iukl.com/en/competition-regulations/. With any questions please contact the IUKL Board.

We also invite all interested to participate in the Conferences, open meetings of the Board and structural meetings of IUKL, which take place during our competitions.

We hope that you will support the desire of IUKL to develop a dialogue, combine effort and consolidate international kettlebell motion for further democratic development, following interests of sportsmen all ages and levels of preparation without some discrimination. Thus we must take into account rich 30-years-old experience and historical features of development of kettlebell sport, having regard to interests of representatives of entire countries and continents, all public, state and international organizations, comply with the recommendations and requirements of International Sport Structures.

Best regards, Mr. Vasily Ginko Secretary General of IUKL