



REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA  
Minister of Physical Education and Sport

**TO  
THE ORGANIZERS AND PARTICIPANTS  
IN THE ADULT, JUNIOR, VETERAN AND CHILDREN  
EUROPEAN TAEKWON-DO ITF CHAMPIONSHIPS  
SOFIA 2012**

***Dear Organizers, Athletes and Coaches,  
Dear Guests and Friends of Taekwon-Do ITF,***

*It is a great pleasure for me to welcome the European Taekwon-Do ITF elite in Sofia.*

*Electing Bulgaria to host this prestigious tournament is recognition both for the success of our athletes, who demonstrate excellent performance in the recent years, and for the responsible work of the Bulgarian Taekwon-Do ITF Federation, which proved to develop and promote this sport.*

*I believe that the competitions will be held at exceptionally high level, and the attractive fights will raise the interest of the national audience, which judge class, professionalism and will for win on merits.*

*Further to the worthy performance of our athletes, I expect that the expanding popularity of this sport among young people and the recognition of our country among the European Taekwon-Do ITF elite will be the greatest success for Bulgaria.*

*I wish successful start to all teams and I hope that Bulgaria will gain many new friends during this championships.*

**Good luck!**

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