

2009 Report

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Table Tennis Development Activities in Asia

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Summery of 2005-2008 Development Program

The 2005-2008 Development Program ended up with success. In total, 85 events including Development Courses, Olympic Solidarity Courses, Development Workshops and Equipment Assistances took place in 39 countries across the Asia. During the 4 years cycle some countries hosted development events for the first time and some took further steps to complete their previous activities. Some associations benefited the educations or equipment offered in the program to hold international tournaments for the first time in their history. Young players from some developing countries found the opportunity to take part in international training camps and work with world top level coaches for the first time in their life. We could also establish link and communication with some developing associations for the first time and enhanced the participation of their officials at different ATTU Congress or ITTF AGM."

Summery of 2009 Development Program

As decided by the ATTU, signing the development agreement with the ITTF is postponed to after the November Asian Championships and its elections. Therefore a very basic program is offered by the ITTF directly to the Asian associations in year 2009. This program is based on 2 courses and 1 equipment package for each region except East Asia that gets only one course allocated to Mongolia.

Below is the table of courses and equipments offered to the Asian associations in 2009:

		2009 Development Program		
Region	Country	Course	Date	Expert
South Asia	Maldives	Tournament Organization + Training Camp	8-17.11	R.Montes
	Sri Lanka	Level 2 Coaching + School Teachers	28.11-9.12	S.
		Training		Chormette
S. East Asia	Laos	Tournament Organization	14-19.9	Chan F.K.
	Malaysia	Level 2 Coaching	9-14.11	Ph.
				Molodzoff
West Asia	Jordan	ITTF-PTT Level 1 Coaching, Refugee	10-19.8	A.
		Coaching, Club Training		Dawlatly
	Iraq	ITTF-PTT Level 1 Coaching, Training Camp	5-15.11	" " "
Middle Asia	Iran	ITTF Level 1 Coaching & Course Conductor	29.11-4-	E.Christia
		Training	12	nsson
East Asia	Mongolia	ITTF Level 2 Coaching + Training Camp	8-17.10	G.Silbersc
				hmidt
		Equipment Assistance		
	Country	Package	Status	
South Asia	Pakistan	6 tables, nets, scores, 80 rackets, 8 gross balls	On way	
S. East Asia	E. Timor	6 tables, nets, scores, 80 rackets, 8 gross balls	On way	
West Asia	Iraq	10 Tables	Received	
West Asia	Jordan	6 tables, nets, scores, 80 rackets, 8 gross balls	Received	
Middle Asia	Tajikistan	6 tables, nets, scores, 80 rackets, 8 gross balls	???	

Detailed Report on 2008 Development Activities

1-Development Courses:

We had offered courses to different associations based on the history of courses held in previous years and also the applications received. Therefore I kept communicating with different associations to make sure that all courses will be held. As the time for courses reached some associations cancelled or postponed their events due to various reasons. Therefore I needed to communicate with the next association on the list for re-allocation. This story continued until the end of the year.

Below I report the summery of those courses finally held and after that I'll mention about those which were cancelled and re-allocated.

1-1-Courses Held

- 1.1.1-Bangladesh: The new and active Secretary General of BTTA applied for a course during the Asian Championships in Yangzhou. He wrote to us on Oct 19th, 2007 asking for a coaching course. The course was allocated and then held by Kamlesh Mehta of India on Jan 13-20. Their report and financial statements were submitted and the payments were made.
- 1.1.2-Bahrain: Their application for an International Tournament Director's Course was received on Oct 3rd 2007. Raul Calin the ITTF Competition Manager was nominated to hold the course. I, Raul and BTTA had lot of correspondences to provide the prospectus and invite the participants from different associations. The course was held successfully on Jan 21-23. The reports and financial statements were submitted and payments were made.
- 1.1.3-China: An International Referee School was held by URC Experts in China on Feb 20 to 22.
- 1.1.4-Bahrain: BTTA was also allocated a World Junior Circuit Training Camp prior to their Junior Circuit. The camp was successfully held by Emanuel Christiansson [Sweden] on March 3-5.

Reports were submitted and the payments were made.

- 1.1.5-Yemen: An ITTF Level 1 Coaching Course was due to be held on August 9-13 by Ahmed Dawltlly of Egypt. The course was the first one with Arabic Manual. On July 31st Ahmed Dawlatly informed that the Arabic Manuals will not be ready on due date. He proposed to postpone the course to Aug 24-27. On August 31st ITTF asked me to negotiate with Yemen TTA and therefore I wrote to them and explained the situation. Yemen TTA responded to me on Aug 4th confirming the postponement. The course was successfully held on due date. I wrote the YTTA on Sep 19th asking for report and receipts. The submission of report/receipt and payments were all done.
- 1.1.6-Another course funded through "ITTF Goodwill Fund" was held in Yemen right after the Level 1 courses by the same expert. The course was in conjunction with the "United

Nations High Commissioner for Refugees" in the United Nations Refugee Camp and held from Aug 28th to 31st being the first cooperation with UN.

- 1.1.7-India: World Junior Circuit Training Camp was held in India from September 8 to 10 by Emmanuel Christiansson of Sweden. I sent the report form to the Indian TTA with reminders on September 18th, 20th and 30th. Later on they informed that they are very busy with Commonwealth Games and will send the reports after October 18th.
- 1.1.8-Brunei: Earlier the Brunei TTA had confirmed to have 8 short courses for their school teachers in 8 days after the school holidays. On Aug 9th I wrote to TTA asking to propose a date and inform their address for manuals. On Aug 12th TTA informed their address and also requested for extra manuals (up to 160 pcs.) at their own cost. The request was processed and the manuals were sent. After discussing with the ITTF and the course conductor George Silberschmidt of Switzerland I proposed 3 different dates to BTTA on Aug 14th. BTTA responded on the following day and confirmed Nov 12-23. Later on BTTA requested for postponing the course due to internal problem but we asked them to try to hold the course on due date. Fortunately they resolved the problem and the courses were successfully held on due date with 203 participants. In term of the number of participants the course was number one in history of our development program.



UNHCR Course in Yemen (Aug 28-31,2008)



School Teachers Course in Brunei (Nov 12-23, 2008)

1-2-Courses offered but re-allocated to other associations:

- 1.2.1-Iraq: Iraq TTA was allocated course constantly in recent years but couldn't hold it due to the crisis. The TTA president applied for a course again in Guangzhou. Later she submitted an official application for a course to be held in North Iraq either on Sep 12th or on Nov 1st. Again the course could not be held for the same reason.
- 1.2.2-Bhutan: BTTA was also offered a course which was first confirmed on April 10th. I sent several messages to them, directly or through India and Pakistan (Regional VP.) to have their date and type of the course. On July 27th the TTA informed that they wish to hold the course in 2009. Therefore the course for 2008 was canceled.
- 1.2.3-Afghanistan: I negotiated with Afghanistan TTA for organizing an "ITTF Good Will Fund Project" there. They showed interest first but after I sent them the related application forms they did not respond to any message any more.

- 1.2.4-Mongolia: We had an application from Mongolia for an administrator's course on our waiting list, therefore I wrote to them on Sep 20^{th} asking for their confirmation. I wrote to them few more times but later on I was informed by the MTTA that they will have the 50^{th} anniversary of their association in 2009 and wish to hold their course then.
- 1.2.5-Laos: Mr.Chan (Malaysia) wrote to me on behalf of Laos, applying for a basic umpire course to be held in 2009. I suggested them to hold it in 2008 but they preferred to have it in 2009.
- 1.2.6-Jordan: Jordan TTA had applied for a course in Guangzhou. On the other hand we had no news from Iraq TTA for their course. Therefore we decided to allocate the course to Jordan instead of Iraq. On Sep 1st I wrote to Jordan TTA and confirmed the allocation. On Sep 11th the JTTA proposed to hold the course on Dec 24-29. I confirmed their proposal on Sep 17th and informed them the appointment of Ahmed Dawlatly of Egypt as the expert. In early December JTTA requested for postponement and proposed Jan 8-13, 2009. As Ahmed Dawlatly was not available for that date, Jan Berner of Sweden was appointed to hold the course. On Dec 28th JTTA asked for postponement again due to their election. However the expert had already purchased his air ticket and could not change or refund it. Finally the course was canceled.

2-Olympic Solidarity Courses

In addition to the development courses we encouraged all associations to apply through their respective NOC for an Olympic Solidarity Course. Though the rout of application and funding are different from our development courses, still we communicated with all parties involved to make sure that the courses are held successfully.

In 2008 totally 3 Olympic Solidarity Courses were held in Bahrain, Lebanon and Maldives. More information about these courses can be found on the table of events at the end of the report.

3-Equipment Assistance:

- 3.1- Bangladesh: The newly appointed TTA applied for equipment on Oct 19th, 2007. Though they were allocated with a course but as an especial case and to support a new active association we confirmed on May 26th to send the 12 tables which were used for test in ITTF Lab (China).
- 3.2-Mongolia: The TTA was host for the 1st Asian University Championships in April 2008. Therefore they requested for equipment. The application was approved and the equipment package was sent by Stag [India]. The receipt of equipment was confirmed by the TTA.
- 3.3-Nepal: The equipment package of Nepal was approved in first quarter of the year. On June 6th Stag Company sent the invoice for Nepal TTA to get the custom permit. On June 9th the NTTA informed their address. After that we had lot of follow up with Stag Company to make sure that the goods are shipped out. Finally we received the confirmation on July 15th and forwarded that to the NTTA.

- 3.4-Bhutan (Kyrgyzstan): On July 11th the president of the Kyrgyzstan TTA made a request for equipment assistance to Mr.Li Furong. The request was forwarded to me on July 14th. The equipment was allocated and the allocation was informed to the KTTA on Jul 20th. We continued to negotiate with the KTTA and the supplier to find a proper rout for shipment. After sending several messages to KTTA on Dec 3rd the ITTF asked me to finalize it and therefore I gave the TTA a deadline by Dec 18th. As there was no any respond by the deadline we re-allocated the equipment to Bhutan on Dec 25th. The regional VP (Pakistan) also helped to have a fast confirmation on Dec 27th. Accordingly on Dec 28th ITTF asked Stag to arrange the shipment.
- 3.5-Macau (Tajikistan): I met the President of the Tajikistan TTA in Guangzhou where he applied for equipment. A package was allocated and I asked them on Apr 9th to inform us the port where they wish to receive the equipment. The address was given by TTA on April 19th and it was forwarded to Stag Company accordingly. On May 24th Stag advised that they can't ship to that port. On May 30th I asked Tajikistan TTA for alternative port and on May 1st they confirmed to inform it. After that I sent several messages to follow up which remained un-replied. On Dec 3rd the ITTF asked me to finalize it and therefore I wrote to Tajikistan TTA again on Dec 4th and gave them a deadline by Dec 18th. As there was no any respond by the deadline we re-allocated the equipment to Macau on Dec 25th. I asked HKTTA to connect me with Macau TTA and finally in January 2009 we got the confirmation and address from Macau. Accordingly Stag of India was advised with the information for shipment.

4-My visits:

4.1-I visited Guangzhou on the occasion of World Team Championships from Feb 24 to Mar 3rd. During the championships I attended several meetings such as ITTF AGM, ATTU Council Meeting, ITTF Development Workshop, and ITTF Development Officer's Meeting etc. I also met and discussed with many officials from different associations such as: Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Macao, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, Thailand, Lebanon, Bahrain, Nepal, Brunei, Vietnam, Bangladesh, Yemen, Iraq etc.

Some of the above associations needed more information about the development program which was provided. Some of them had enquiries for foreign coaches or players which were responded after the championships

4.2-By the invitation of Arab T.T. Federation I visited Morocco on the occasion of The Arab T.T. Championships from July 23 to 29.

On July 26th I held a development workshop with the attendance officials and team managers from different Arab countries. I also met and discussed with several officials regarding the development program during the championships.

4.3-I visited Beijing (at my own expense) during the Olympic Games. I met and discussed with several officials during the Games. I also met with the ITTF President presenting my proposal regarding the new ways of promoting table tennis and the ITTF Promotion Office. I had been working on this proposal since Guangzhou ended up with a CD containing 30 minuets presentation on both Media Player and Power Point.

4.4-I visited Rome (at my own expense) on Sep 13-16 to meet and discuss with the ETTU representative regarding the Asia-Europe Tournament. I made some proposals on ways we can make the tournament more attractive and attract more TV viewers, the joint web site and the format of the tournament.

4.5- I visited Macau to attend the ATTU EB Meeting on Dec 13th. I presented my report on ATTU Development activities and we discussed different issued about the development program and the ATTU website.



ATTU EB Meeting (Macau – Dec 13th ,2008)



Meeting with ETTU Representative (Rome –Sep 2008)

5-ATTU Website

The ATTU website kept being updated with the results of different events during the year. I also negotiated with Hong Kong TTA and Steve Dainton which ended up with web coverage of the Olympic Qualification Tournament held in Hong Kong in March by him. He was also set to go to Japan to cover the Asian Cup in late March; however the trip was canceled due to the ITTF President visit of China Office.

In the meantime our present website is designed under "HTML" which is very hard to update. I made a proposal to the ATTU to redesign the web site under "WEB". That would make it much easier and faster to update the site. We can also have a better design with more features. Therefore I started negotiating with Chinese Company introduced by CTTA to cooperate for the ATTU website. After consulting with the ATTU Secretary General I submit them and offer for a joint cooperation between the ATTU, ITTF and the Chinese Company. After lot of negotiation the Chinese company advised that they have no interest to share the work as a partner and instead they asked for \$10,000. for designing a new website in 4 languages. I discussed the offer at the ATTU EB Meeting in Macau for a solution. Mr.Li Furong the president proposed to share the fee between Qatar TTA and CTTA which was accepted by QTTA.

	ASIA-2005			
	Bellow is the list of ATTU Development Activities offered in 2005			
	(4 Training Camp	os, 8 Development Proje	cts)	
COUNTRY	DATES	COURSE	<u> </u>	EXPERT
Malaysia	S. East Asia: Nov 12-13	Women Course		Chan Foong Keong
		Coach Education		[MAS]
Tajikistan	Middle Asia: Jun 30-Jul 6	Training Camp		M.Babadivand [IRN]
Pakistan	South Asia: Dec 2-9	Coach Education		M. Matins [BRA]
Brunei	South East Asia: Jun 21-24			Li Chen [SIN]
Iran	Middle Asia: Mar 1-5	Development Project(I HPC Course)	TTF	Roman Plese[CRO]
Jordan	West Asia: Aug 1-8	Development Project (Training Camp)		Roman Plese[CRO]
Thailand	South East Asia: Aug 6-11	Development Project (HPC Course)		BENONE GRIGORE [SWE]
Nepal	Dec 10-16	Development Project Coach Education		Jan Berner [SWE]
Bangladesh	South Asia: Nov 23-30	Development Project Coach Education		Marles Matins [BRA]
Maldives	South Asia: Nov 11-17	Development Project		Roland Wee[SIN]
India	South Asia: Oct 4-9	Development Project Women Course		Polona Susin [SVN]
Yemen	West Asia: Dec 10-14	Development Project Administrator's Course		Afshin Badiee [IRN]
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COUNTRY	EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIER		
Kyrgyzstan	One E.A. Package	DHS		
Laos	One E.A. Package	Butterfly Thailand		
Indonesia	One E.A. Package	Stag		
Sri Lanka	One E.A. Package	Stag		
Thailand	One E.A. Package	Butterfly Thailand		
	OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY C	OURSES		
Country	Course	Date	Expert	
Maldives	Technical Course	January-February 2005	Arif Kh	an [PAK]
Palestine	Technical Course	30.6-14.7.05		I Dawlahtly[EGY]
Uzbekistan	Technical Course	29.3-2.4.05		Plese[CRO]
Myanmarr	Technical Course	15-25.8.05	Richard	d McAfee[USA]
Laos	Developing a National Sports Structure	1.7-30.11.05	Myung	Hee Seo[KOR]
Malaysia	Technical Course	15-21.11.05	Marles	Matins [BRA]
Iran	Technical Course	21-28.11.05		e Gerigore[SWE]

ASIA-2006

Bellow is the list of ATTU Development Activities in 2006

9 Development Courses, 2 Basic Umpire Courses, 6 Equipment Assistances & 7 Olympic Solidarity Courses

COUNTRY	DATES	COURSE	EXPERT
1-Afghanistan	Middle Asia Mar 1-7	Coaching & Training Camp	Amir Amidi [IRI]
2-Bahrain	West Asia: Apr 1-8	ITTF Level 1 Coaching	Steve Dainton[AUS]
		Course	
3-U.A.E	West Asia: Apr 8-11	Junior Training Camp	Massimo.Costantini [ITA]
4-India	West Asia: Jun 18-20	WJC Junior Training Camp	Benone Grigore[SWE]
5-Laos	South East Asia:Aug 1-6	Women Course	Branka Batinic[CRO]
6-Mongolia	South East Asia: Sep 20-28	Coaching	Arif Khan [PAK]
7-Jordan	South Asia: Oct 25-29	Basic Umpire Course	Azmy Ibrahim [EGY]
8-Philippines	South East Asia: Nov 4-13	ITTF Level 1 Coaching Course	Polona Susin[SLO]
9-Brunei	East Asia: Nov 17-19	Basic Umpire Course	Cyril Sen[MAL]
10-Kyrgyzstan	Middle Asia:Nov 30-Dec 2	Admin. & Tournament	Afshin Badiee [IRI]
11-Sri Lanka	South Asia: Dec 14-22	Coaching Level 1	Jan Berner[SWE]

Equipment Assistance

COUNTRY	EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIER	
Pakistan	One E.A. Package	Stag	
Kazakhstan	Balls	DHS	
Turkmenistan	One E.A. Package	Stag	
Syria	One E.A. Package	Stag	
DPR. Korea	170 Pcs. Rubbers	Butterfly, Tibhar	
Cambodia	One E.A. Package	Stag	

OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY COURSES

COUNTRY	COURSE	DATES	EXPERT
Vietnam	Technical Course	03-13.04.06	Jan Berner [SWE]
Qatar	Technical Course	15-20.04.06	Dejan Papic [YUG]
U.A.E	Technical Course	13-20.05.06	Hubert Hustache [FRA]
Bhutan	Technical Course	01-10.08.06	Richard McAfee [USA]
DPR Korea	Technical Course	06-11.09.06	Zang C. [CHN]
Cambodia	Technical Course	21-30.09.06	Massimo Costantini[ITI]
Saudi Arabia	Technical Course	11-20.12	Hubert Hustache[FRA]

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Bellow is the list of ATTU Development Activities for 2007

COUNTRY	DATES	COURSE	EXPERT
1-Bahrain	West Asia: Jan 29-31	Junior Training Camp	E. Christiansson [SWE]
2-U.A.E	West Asia: Apr 21-23	Junior Training Camp	Arif Khan [PAK]]
3-Lebanon	West Asia: Oct 5-12	WJC Junior Training Camp	Arif Khan [PAK]
4-Malaysia	South East Asia: Dec 4-7	Level 1 Coaching Course	G. Silberschmidt [GER]
5-Iran	Middle Asia: Oct 27-Nov 2	Junior Girl's Training Camp	Alejandra
			Gabaglio[ARG]
6-Cambodia	South East Asia:Oct 22-26	Full Umpire Course	Cyril Sen[MAL]
7-Pakistan	South Asia: Dec 16-22	Full Umpire Course	Cyril Sen[MAL]
9-Laos	Sout East Asia:Jun 11-13	Basic Umpire Course	Cyril Sen[MAL]
10-Vietnam	South east Asia: Nov 20-22	Basic Umpire Course	Cyril Sen[MAL]

Equipment Assistance

COUNTRY	EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIER	STATUS
Lebanon	One E.A. Package	Stag	Applied for shipment
Philippines	One E.A. Package	Stag	Applied for shipment
Myanmar	One E.A. Package	Stag	Applied for shipment
Bhutan	One E.A. Package	Stag	No response form TTA
Jordan	One E.A. Package	Stag	Waiting List

OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY COURSES

COUNTRY	COURSE	DATES	EXPERT
Bangladesh	ITTF Level 1	27.3-9.3.2007	Arif Khan [PAK]
Mongolia	ITTF Level 1	9-19.4.2007	G. Silberschmidt [GER]
Laos	ITTF Level 1	7-10. 6.2007	Arif Khan [PAK]
Nepal	ITTF Level 1	4-13.8.2007	Polona Susin [SLO]
Oman	Technical Course	22-29.10.2001	Arif Khan [PAK]

ASIA-2008

Bellow is the list of ATTU Development Activities in 2008

(8 Courses, 5 Equipment Assistances & 3 Olympic Solidarity Courses)

COUNTRY	DATES	COURSE	EXPERT
1-Bangladesh	South Asia Jan 13-20	Coaching & Training Camp	Kamlesh Mehta [IND]
2-Bahrain	West Asia: Jan 21-23	Tournament Director's	Raul Calin [SPN]
3-China	East Asia: Feb 20-22	Referee Training	URC Experts [HKG]
4-Bahrain	West Asia: Mar 3-5	WJC Junior Training Camp	E. Christiansson [SWE]
5-Yemen	West Asian: Aug 24-27 Aug 28-31	L1 Coaching Course	Ahmed Dawlatly [EGY]
6-Yemen	West Asia: Aug 28-31	United Nation High Commission for Refugees	Ahmed Dawlatly [EGY]
7-India	West Asia: Sep 8-10	WJC Junior Training Camp	E. Christiansson [SWE]
8-Brunei	South East Asia: Nov 12-23	Coaching Course for Primary School Coaches	Georg Silberschmidt [SUI]

Equipment Assistance

COUNTRY	EQUIPMENT	SUPPLIER	
Bangladesh	12 Tables	ITTF Lab	
Mongolia	6 Tables, 6 Nets, 6 Scores, 80	Stag	
	Rackets, 8 Gross Balls		
Nepal	6 Tables, 6 Nets, 6 Scores, 80	Stag	
	Rackets, 8 Gross Balls		
Bhutan	6 Tables, 6 Nets, 6 Scores, 80	Stag	
	Rackets, 8 Gross Balls		
Macau	6 Tables, 6 Nets, 6 Scores, 80	Stag	
	Rackets, 8 Gross Balls	_	

OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY COURSES

COUNTRY	COURSE	DATES	EXPERT
Bahrain	ITTF Level 2 Coaching	Nov 22-27	Philippe Molodzoff[FRA]
Lebanon	Coaching	Dec13-18	Ahmed Dawlatly [EGY]
Maldives	Coaching	Nov 24-30	Polona Susin [SLO]