

KARATE1

PREMIER LEAGUE



The Premier League-Karate 1 is the Formula 1 of Karate. When this project is complete it will have 6 competitions in a year giving the possibility to many good Karateka in the world to take part in the best events after the World Championships.

WKF PREMIER LEAGUE

The **Karate1 WKF Premier League** is the prime league event in the world of Karate. It is the only series of world class Karate competitions recognized and supported by the World Karate Federation.

Its aim is to bring together **the best Karate competitors in the world** in a series of open championships of unprecedented scale and quality. In addition to the World Championships, which are biennial events, the WPL provides a platform for staging world Karate events on a regular basis and thus enhances interest of the public and the media, both nationally and worldwide.

For Karate practitioners and enthusiasts around the world the WPL acts as a **source of identification, motivation and inspiration.**

And, last but not least, the top Karate athletes of the world obtain an additional platform to compete, improve their skills, attract sponsors and create income.

The medalists in every category receive **prize money.**

Competitors can earn **ranking points** in every Karate1 WKF Premier League event according to the official upcoming WKF ranking system.

The competitor of each category with the highest score at the end of the WKF Premier League season is called the **Grand Winner** and receives extra prize money.

Online registration and information system

<http://www.sportdata.org/karate1>

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KARATE1 - PARIS

January 15th - 16th, 2011

The French Karate Federation has the pleasure to invite you to the International Open of Paris 2011 which will be held from 15 to 16 January, 2011 in Paris.

For the first time, the Open of Paris will take part of the WKF Premier League (WPL), the premier series recently set up by the WKF to "bring together the best Karate competitors in the world in a series of open championships of unprecedented scale and quality."

As a WKF Premier League event, the International Open of Paris will implement a money prize system. The two Grand Winner of each category will be seeded in the following WPL season.

The French Karate Federation is proud to host the first WPL event, and our organization team will implement everything to offer the best conditions of competition.



KARATE1 - ISTANBUL

September 10th - 11th, 2011

Istanbul Open Karate Tournament has been held successfully since 2006 and is now a member of Karate1.

With more than 1000 competitors from more than 40 countries it is one of the biggest open events in the world of Karate.

Istanbul is the largest city in Turkey and 5th largest city proper in the world with a population of 12.8 million, also making it the second largest metropolitan area in Europe by population, and the largest metropolitan city proper. Istanbul is also a megacity, as well as the cultural, economic, and financial centre of Turkey. The city covers 39 districts of the Istanbul province. It is located on the Bosphorus Strait and encompasses the natural harbour known as the Golden Horn, in the northwest of the country. It extends both on the European (Thrace) and on the Asian (Anatolia) sides of the Bosphorus, and is thereby the only metropolis in the world that is situated on two continents.

The Turkish Karate Federation is looking forward to welcome you at Karate1 Istanbul.

KARATE 1 - SALZBURG

November 12th - 13th, 2011

Karate1 Salzburg is one of the new members of Karate1. The former Austrian Open event has been held successfully since 1994, with more than 600 competitors from over 35 countries worldwide.

This event is very popular and famous because of its professional and high level event organization and execution.

With its harmonious skyline of Baroque domes and spires framed by Alpine scenery, Salzburg is one of Europe's most appealing cities. It has a graceful UNESCO-listed Old Town of cobbled lanes, medieval houses and hidden arcades clinging to the banks of the River Salzach. Towering above it all is the vast Hohensalzburg Fortress, a fascinating mixture of palace and castle, and the city's best-known landmark.

Architecture is far from being Salzburg's only cultural attraction. The city is truly alive with the sound of music (rather than The Sound of Music, whose cult status perplexes the locals), as befits the birthplace and childhood home of Mozart.

Churches, museums and 1,200 year-old restaurants all offer regular concerts throughout the year, and even the Puppet Theatre performs The Marriage of Figaro.

