

## WTF launches three bidding processes for its events between 2017-2024

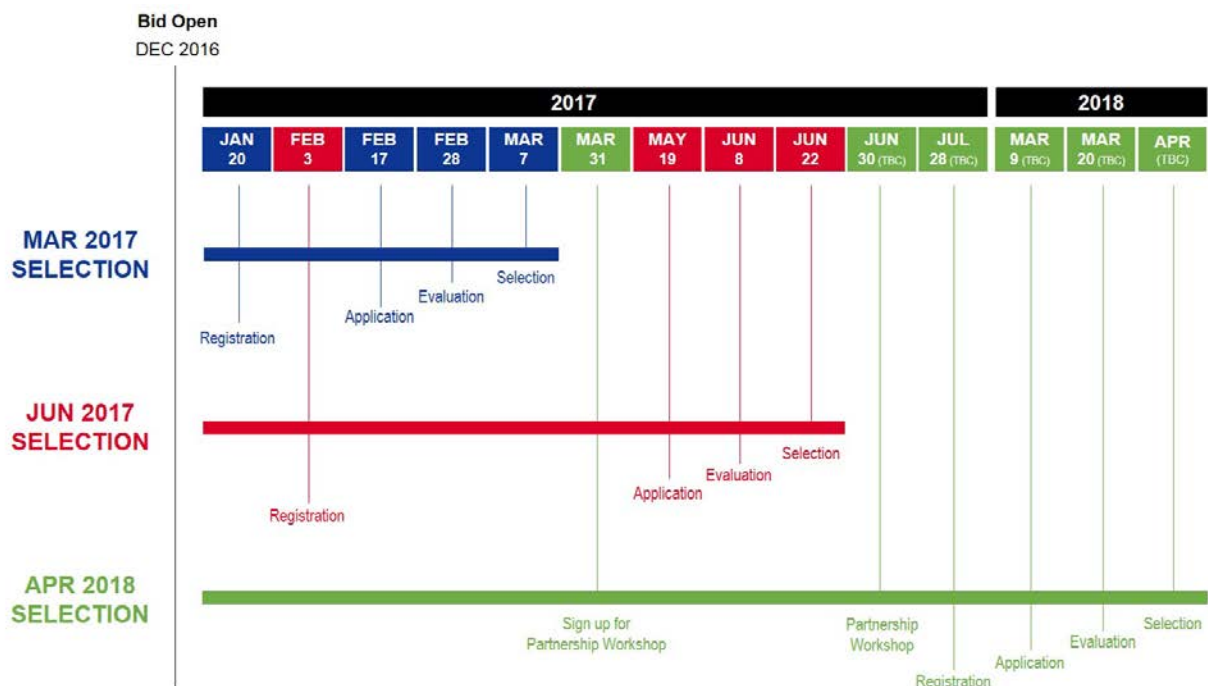
The World Taekwondo Federation (WTF) has opened three separate bidding processes for its events in 2017-2018, 2018-2019 and 2019-2024 respectively, as the federation continues to implement a more systematic and collaborative procedure for staging its events.

The registration, application, evaluation and selection phases for the bidding process for events in 2017 and 2018 will take place between January and March 2017 with the selection of host cities to take place at the WTF Extraordinary Council Meeting in Bangkok, Thailand on 7 March 2017.

Host cities for the events between 2018 and 2019 will be decided in Muju, Korea on 22 June 2017, just before the WTF’s flagship event, the World Taekwondo Championships.

The process for selecting host cities for the 2019-2024 events will be extended with interested potential hosts invited to attend an invitational workshop called “the Partnership Workshop” in Muju in June 2017. The actual bidding process then formally begins with the bid registration in July 2017 and goes all the way through to the selection of the host cities at the WTF Council Meeting in the first half of 2018.

The Partnership Workshops – the first of which was held in June 2016 – provide potential hosts with the opportunity to share their expectations and learn more about the requirements for delivering successful WTF events.



*Timelines of the three bidding processes*

Potential hosts of the WTF events are asked to register their bids, and then finalize their applications upon submission of the bid files according to the timelines of their bidding process.

The WTF Events Bid Manual and documents for bid preparation can be found on the following link.

<http://www.worldtaekwondofederation.net/host-cities-selection-2017/>

Dr. Chungwon Choue, President of the WTF, said: “We have already witnessed the benefits of our new and improved bidding process. We have received excellent feedback from bid cities and their interest shown in hosting WTF events over the coming years has been fantastic.”

“This was demonstrated by the 7 world-class cities the WTF Council was able to select to host 11 events. I believe it is now the right time to extend the opportunity of hosting WTF events to more cities and countries.” Choue added.

Events available to bid for include the World Taekwondo Championships, the World Taekwondo Team Championships and the World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series and the Final.

Also on offer are the World Taekwondo Junior Championships, the World Taekwondo Cadet Championships, the World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships and the World Para Taekwondo Championships between 2017 and 2024.

Year	Name of Event	Period	MAR 2017 SELECTION	JUN 2017 SELECTION	APR 2018 SELECTION
2017	World Taekwondo Cadet Championships	May-Aug.	█		
	World Para Taekwondo Championships	Aug.-Nov.			
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series 1	Aug.-Sep.			
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series 2	Sep.-Oct.			
2018	World Taekwondo Junior Championships	Apr.-Jun.		█	
	World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships	May-Aug.			
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series 2	Sep.-Oct.			
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Final	Dec.			
2019	World Taekwondo Team Championships	Dec.			
	World Para Taekwondo Championships	Aug.-Nov.			█
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series 1	Aug.-Sep.			
World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series 3	Oct.-Nov.				
2020	World Taekwondo Junior Championships	Oct.-Nov.			
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Final	Dec.			
	World Taekwondo Team Championships	Dec.			
2021 - 2024	World Taekwondo Championships	2021, 2023			
	World Taekwondo Cadet Championships				
	World Para Taekwondo Championships				
	World Taekwondo Junior Championships	2022, 2024			
	World Taekwondo Poomsae Championships				
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Series 1, 2, 3	2021, 2022, 2023			
	World Taekwondo Grand-Prix Final	Every year			
World Taekwondo Team Championships					

*WTF Events open for potential hosts*