



World Haidong Gumdo Federation (Incorporated Association)

To: Kuwait Haidong Gumdo Association

Subject: Notice on the Haidong Gumdo World Championship / Murimpia Tournament

1. The Haidong Gumdo World Championship began with its 1st event in 2002 and has been held every two years in the Republic of Korea, the birthplace of Haidong Gumdo. Up to the 6th championship in 2012, the World Championship was successfully and ceremoniously conducted.

2. Each event welcomed participants from approximately 50 countries, with about 4,500 domestic athletes and 500 international athletes taking part in every championship.

3. Based on the suggestions of instructors and executive members from around the world, it was decided that the Haidong Gumdo World Championship would be held in even-numbered years, while the Murimpik Tournament (later renamed Murimpia) would be held in odd-numbered years.

2013: 1st Murimpik Tournament (Pyeongchang, Gangwon Province)

2015: 2nd Murimpia Tournament (Pyeongchang, Gangwon Province)

2017: 3rd Murimpia Tournament (Pyeongchang, Gangwon Province)

2019: 4th Murimpia Tournament (Gangneung, Gangwon Province)

4. Since 2019, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Murimpia tournaments have been conducted by continent—Oceania, Europe, Pan-America, and Asia.

5. The 2026 Haidong Gumdo World Championship will be held in Pyeongchang, Gangwon Province, Republic of Korea, from July 24 to July 26, 2026.

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