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## WMAGC JOINS TAFISA FAMILY

**June 27, 2007 Victoria, B.C. Canada** - The World Martial Arts Games Committee (WMAGC) is pleased to announce that they have been accepted as a supporting member of TAFISA. TAFISA is an IOC Recognized Multisport Organisation with over 150 members from 100 countries around the globe. Full membership into TAFISA will be decided by vote at the 20th TAFISA World Congress taking place in late September in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

"We are very pleased to be welcomed into the TAFISA Family", says Ken Marchtaler, Chairman of the WMAGC, "Both WMAGC and TAFISA share a common vision for promoting positive sports development and Sport for All. TAFISA's expertise in the international sports arena as well as their relationships with science, health promotion, world culture and the Olympic movement will help WMAGC shape its future culture. We are extremely excited about this latest development!"

TAFISA was founded in 1991 and has grown to more than 153 Sport for All members from over 100 countries. They are one of only a few Multisport Organisations that are recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC). Their head office is located in Frankfurt, Germany. More information on TAFISA is located at [www.tafisa.de](http://www.tafisa.de).

The World Martial Arts Games Movement is a non-profit society formed in August 2005. Its goal is to unite the World of Martial Arts through annual competition. The World Martial Arts Games encompasses organizations, athletes and other persons who agree to be guided by the World Martial Arts Games Charter. The Charter is governed by World Martial Arts Games Committee (WMAGC).

The World Martial Arts Games Committee (WMAGC) is the supreme authority of the World Martial Arts Games Movement. Its role is to promote top-level sport as well as sport for all in accordance with the World Martial Arts Games Charter. It ensures the regular celebration of the World Martial Arts Games and strongly encourages appropriate sports ethics and the protection of athletes.

Further information about the World Martial Arts Committee and the 2007 World Martial Arts Games can be obtained by visiting the WMAG website at [www.worldmartialartsgames.com](http://www.worldmartialartsgames.com).

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