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# Annual Report 2025

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## FOREWORD

# Mr. Nenad Lalovic

United World Wrestling President  
International Olympic Committee Member

Dear colleagues, friends, and wrestling family,

On behalf of United World Wrestling, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to Bishkek, the host city of the United World Wrestling Senior Asian Championships and the UWW Asia General Assembly. We are proud to gather the finest wrestlers from across Asia, alongside distinguished UWW Asia officials, for this important occasion that celebrates our shared commitment to the Olympic values of friendship, respect, and excellence.

In the coming days, the athletes competing on the mat will inspire future generations and showcase the positive power of sport—values that we must continue to protect and promote. I am equally confident that the esteemed members of the UWW Asia General Assembly will continue to play a vital role in preserving and strengthening these principles through their leadership and dedication.

It is always a pleasure for the UWW family to come together in a city that embraces wrestling, and Bishkek provides an excellent stage for both the Championships and the General Assembly. This event is also a reminder that the future of our sport lies in the hands of strong, dynamic, and emerging generations who will continue to drive wrestling forward.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Wrestling Federation of Kyrgyzstan, the Organizing Committee, as well as the local authorities and all partners involved, for their efforts in hosting these significant events. I also thank all UWW Asia officials for their continued commitment and contributions to the development of wrestling across the continent.

Finally, I wish all athletes the very best in their competitions and encourage them to perform with passion and determination. I also extend my best wishes to my colleagues in UWW Asia for a productive and memorable General Assembly, and for continued success in advancing our sport in the years ahead.

Thank you.



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## FOREWORD

# Mr. Mohammad Al-Awamleh

United World Wrestling Asia President

Dear colleagues, distinguished delegates, and members of the Asian wrestling family,

At the outset, I would like to express my sincere gratitude to United World Wrestling and its President, Mr. Nenad Lalović, for their continuous support, guidance, and commitment to the development of wrestling across Asia and worldwide.

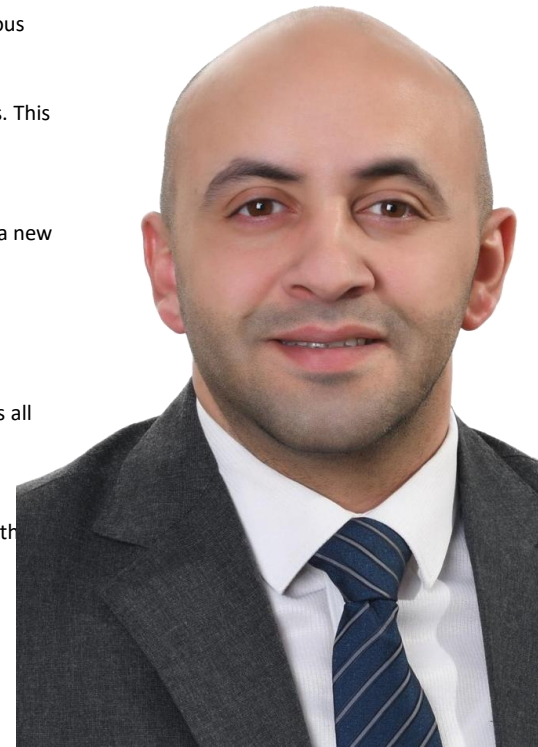
It is my great honor to present the United World Wrestling Asia Annual Report for 2025, as we gather in Bishkek for the UWW Asia Congress. This report reflects a year of significant progress, strong cooperation, and continued commitment to the development of wrestling across our continent.

The year 2025 marked an important milestone for UWW Asia, beginning with the Electoral General Assembly in Amman, which established a new leadership for the 2025–2029 term through a transparent and unified process. Since then, we have worked collectively to strengthen governance, expand our activities, and build a clear strategic vision focused on growth, inclusivity, and sustainability.

Throughout the year, UWW Asia successfully organized and supported a wide range of continental and regional events, spanning all age categories and disciplines. These competitions, alongside development programs such as "More Than Medals" and the expansion of Beach Wrestling, have contributed to strengthening the technical level of our athletes and providing broader opportunities for participation across all regions of Asia.

The results achieved by Asian wrestlers at the World Championships further confirm Asia's leading position in global wrestling. With strong performances across all styles and age groups, particularly in Women's Wrestling and Freestyle, our continent continues to demonstrate both excellence at the highest level and depth of talent for the future.

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**FOREWORD** *(continued)*

## **Mr. Mohammad Al-Awamleh**

United World Wrestling Asia President

At the same time, UWW Asia has taken important steps to enhance its institutional capacity, strengthen its relationship with key partners such as United World Wrestling and the Olympic Council of Asia, and initiate new projects including regional competitions, club championships, and structured development programs. These efforts reflect our long-term vision to build a stronger, more connected, and more inclusive wrestling community across Asia.

On this occasion, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the Wrestling Federation of Kyrgyzstan, the Organizing Committee, and all local authorities in Bishkek for their warm hospitality and outstanding efforts in hosting the UWW Asia Congress and the Senior Asian Championships. Their commitment and professionalism play a key role in the success of these important continental events.

Looking ahead, our focus remains on expanding opportunities for all member federations, investing in youth and women's wrestling, and creating sustainable pathways for athletes, coaches, and officials. Through collaboration, innovation, and shared commitment, we will continue to elevate wrestling in Asia to even greater levels.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to all National Federations, UWW leadership, partners, organizers, and volunteers for their continuous support and dedication. Your contributions are the foundation of our success and the driving force behind the growth of our sport.

Finally, I extend my best wishes for a successful and productive UWW Asia Congress, and I look forward to continuing our collective journey in developing wrestling across Asia.



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# Activity Report 2025

Key Events, Competitions & Milestones

## ASIAN ELECTORAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Amman, Jordan · 24 March 2025

Record participation: 39 of 41 Asian federations present for the first time. The Assembly elected the UWW Asia Executive Committee (2025–2029) through a transparent democratic process.

- Mohammad Al-Awamleh (Jordan) — President
- Alireza Dabir (Iran) — Vice President
- Kenneth Lee (Korea) — Secretary General
- Melis Turganbayev (Kyrgyzstan) — Exec. Member
- Zhang Ye (China) — Exec. Member
- Sanjay Kumar (India) — Exec. Member
- Lara Khmour (Palestine) — Exec. Member



## SENIOR ASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Amman, Jordan · 25–30 March 2025

25 Asian federations and 364 athletes competed across Greco-Roman, Freestyle, and Women's Wrestling — confirming Asia's leading position in global wrestling.

25

Federations

364

Athletes



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## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING NO. 01

Amman, Jordan · 27 March 2025

First meeting of the newly elected leadership, setting strategic direction for 2025–2029. Key focus: Development Officer appointment, expanding hosting, regional competitions.

## SE ASIAN & INVITATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Singapore · 10–12 May 2025

Development-focused competition across GR, FS, and WW in U17 and Senior categories. Provided competitive opportunities for developing wrestlers and supported regional growth.

## UWW PRESIDENT VISITS ASIA OFFICES

Amman, Jordan · 15 May 2025

UWW President Lalovic visited the new UWW Asia headquarters in Amman — symbolizing strong cooperation and growing institutional capacity of the continental body.



## Ulaanbaatar Open

Mongolia · 29 May–1 June 2025

International ranking tournament with elite participation across all Olympic disciplines. Key role in enhancing competition exposure and global integration of Asian wrestling.



## U17 & U23 Asian Championships

Vung Tau, Vietnam · 18–26 June 2025

Asia's top young talents competed across GR, FS, and WW. Unified format combining U17 and U23 strengthened the development pathway from youth to elite level.



## U17 Beach Wrestling Championships

Vung Tau, Vietnam · 27 June 2025

Fast-paced, spectator-friendly competition. Beach Wrestling continues as a key strategic discipline for UWW Asia, expanding the sport beyond Classic Styles.



## More Than Medals Asia — U17

Vung Tau, Vietnam · 28 Jun–2 Jul 2025

Training camp combining technical wrestling with personal growth and values-based learning. Led by international experts with full UWW support — investing in champions on and off the mat.



## U15 & U20 Asian Championships

Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan · 5–13 July 2025

Emerging talents competed in GR, FS, and WW, reinforcing the structured development pathway. Critical platform for talent identification and transition to elite competition.



## Thailand Open

Sriracha, Thailand · 5–9 August 2025

International development platform with broad participation across GR, FS, and WW. Supported athlete preparation for major championships and enhanced regional engagement.

## WOMEN IN WRESTLING GLOBAL FORUM

Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia · 7–11 October 2025

Over 34 participants from 21 countries — athletes, coaches, referees, and administrators — gathered for leadership sessions, technical discussions, and workshops focused on women's wrestling development.

**34+**

Participants

**21**

Countries



## ASIAN YOUTH GAMES

Manama, Bahrain · 28–30 October 2025

Wrestling delivered with strong coordination between UWW, UWW Asia and the Olympic Council of Asia. Beach Wrestling: 13 federations, 45 athletes. Freestyle U17: 25 federations, 113 athletes.

**25**

Federations

**113**

FS Athletes

**45**

BW Athletes



## **Executive Council Meeting No. 02**

Manama, Bahrain · 29 Oct 2025

Full quorum meeting covering: sponsorship development, Asian Clubs Championship project, new partnerships, OCA cooperation, 2026 calendar expansion, and confirmation of Amman as official HQ.

## **25th Summer Deaflympics**

Tokyo, Japan · 15–26 Nov 2025

High-standard competition: 15 teams in Freestyle, 19 in Greco-Roman. Promoted inclusivity and equal opportunity, supporting development of wrestling among deaf athletes.

## **Islamic Solidarity Games**

Riyadh, Saudi Arabia · 18–21 Nov 2025

Wide participation across FS, GR, and WW. Demonstrated high competitiveness and reinforced wrestling's strong presence within major multi-sport games.



## West Asian Clubs Championships

Baghdad, Iraq · 3–6 Dec 2025

A milestone in UWW Asia's vision to develop club-based competitions. Club teams from across West Asia competed in FS, GR, and WW — creating new pathways beyond national team level.



## Meeting with President of Kyrgyz Republic

Bishkek · 8 December 2025

High-level meeting with President Sadyr Zhaparov. Awards exchanged: Lalovic received the Dostuk State Order; Al-Awamleh received a Certificate of Appreciation. Zhaparov received UWW Order.



## Southeast Asian Games

Sriracha, Thailand · 17–19 Dec 2025

Wrestling delivered with high organization across FS, GR, and WW. Multiple SE Asian federations participated — the SEA Games continue to serve as an important development platform.

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# World Championships Performance

Asian Wrestling Dominance on the Global Stage

# U17 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Athens, Greece · 28 July – 3 August 2025

# 62

Total Medals · 51.67% of all medals

## Greco-Roman

8 Gold, 5 Silver, 8 Bronze (21 total, 52.5%)

## Women's Wrestling

8 Gold, 7 Silver, 6 Bronze (21 total, 52.5%)

## Freestyle

2 Gold, 9 Silver, 9 Bronze (20 total, 50%)

*Asia ranked 1st globally in total medals (62) and gold medals (18), achieving over 50% of all medals — confirming continental dominance at the U17 level.*

# U20 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Samokov, Bulgaria · 17–24 August 2025

# 55

Total Medals · 45.83% of all medals

## Greco-Roman

Europe led, but Asia maintained strong depth (10 Bronze) and consistent podium presence

## Women's Wrestling

8 Gold, 4 Silver, 11 Bronze (23 total, 57.5%) — Asia clearly dominated

## Freestyle

Balanced global competition with strong Asian presence across all categories

*Asia maintained 1st place overall in total medals (55). Strong dominance in Women's Wrestling confirms Asia as the global leader in this discipline.*

# U23 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Novi Sad, Serbia · 20–27 October 2025

# 50

Total Medals · 41.67% of all medals

## Greco-Roman

Europe leads in medal volume and depth;  
Asia maintains strong podium presence

## Women's Wrestling

7 Gold, 3 Silver, 8 Bronze (18 total, 45%) — #1  
globally

## Freestyle

Equal gold with Pan America but higher total  
(18 vs 6), strong depth

*Asia ranks 2nd overall (41.67%), close to Europe. #1 in Women's Wrestling and Freestyle depth. Asia is already leading the next generation of world wrestling.*

# SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Zagreb, Croatia · 13–21 September 2025

# 62

Total Medals · 50% of all medals

## Greco-Roman

Europe led total medals, but Asia achieved higher gold count (6 vs 4)

## Women's Wrestling

7 Gold, 4 Silver, 10 Bronze (21 total, 52.5%) — Asia clearly dominated

## Freestyle

Asia dominated: Highest gold medals and highest total medals across all categories

*Asia ranked 1st globally with 62 medals (50% of all medals). Clear dominance in Freestyle and Women's Wrestling, plus highest gold count in Greco-Roman.*

## 2025 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS — COMBINED MEDAL SUMMARY

# 229

Total Asian  
Medals

Across all 4 World Championships

# 65

Gold  
Medals

Leading globally in gold count

# 47%

Average Medal  
Share

Consistently near or above 50%

# #1

Global  
Ranking

In Women's Wrestling & Freestyle

## Championship-by-Championship Breakdown

### U17 Worlds

62 medals

Asia share: 51.67%

**Rank: 1st**

### U20 Worlds

55 medals

Asia share: 45.83%

**Rank: 1st**

### U23 Worlds

50 medals

Asia share: 41.67%

**Rank: 2nd**

### Senior Worlds

62 medals

Asia share: 50.00%

**Rank: 1st**

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# Financial Report

2025 Actuals & 2026 Budget Proposal

**\$61,846**

Total Income

**\$60,015**

Total Expenses

**\$1,832**

Net Balance

| 2025 INCOME                                  | Budgeted           | ACTUAL             | DIFFERENCE         |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Funds Available                              | \$6,457.00         | \$133.60           | (\$6,323.40)       |
| 2025 - Operating subsidy provided by the UWW | \$30,000.00        | \$30,000.00        | \$0.00             |
| 2026 - Operating subsidy provided by the UWW | \$0.00             | \$10,048.33        | \$10,048.33        |
| Sponsoring by Jordan and others              | \$0.00             | \$21,229.62        | \$21,229.62        |
| Others                                       | \$0.00             | \$434.55           | \$434.55           |
| <b>Total Income</b>                          | <b>\$36,457.00</b> | <b>\$61,846.10</b> | <b>\$25,389.10</b> |

**\$61,846**

Total Income

**\$60,015**

Total Expenses

**\$1,832**

Net Balance

| 2025 EXPENSES                                 | BUDGETED         | ACTUAL           | DIFFERENCE         |
|---|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefit          | 9,500.00         | 21,800.00        | (12,300.00)        |
| Administrative Expenses                       | 5,000.00         | 5,290.85         | (290.85)           |
| Tax   | 2,500.00         | 0.00             | 2,500.00           |
| Travel, Meetings and Presentation Cost        | 7,000.00         | 29,255.11        | (22,255.11)        |
| Conference and Exec. Board Meetings Cost      | 3,000.00         | 2,927.26         | 72.74              |
| Technical Assistance for Developing Countries | 3,000.00         | 0.00             | 3,000.00           |
| Gifts and Awards                              | 0.00             | 404.50           | (404.50)           |
| Banking Services and Costs                    | 0.00             | 336.84           | (336.84)           |
| <b>Total Operating Expenses</b>               | <b>30,000.00</b> | <b>60,014.56</b> | <b>(30,014.56)</b> |

## BUDGET PROPOSAL — 2026

**\$61,092**

Planned Inflows

**\$60,050**

Planned Outflows

**\$1,042**

Projected Balance

### 2026 Planned Cash Inflows

**Budgeted**

Funds Available

\$1,831.54

2026 - Operating subsidy provided by the UWW

\$29,974.43

Sponsoring

\$14,285.71

Transfer Fees

\$15,000.00

**Total Income**

**\$61,091.68**

**\$61,092**

Planned Inflows

**\$60,050**

Planned Outflows

**\$1,042**

Projected Balance

| <b>2026 Planned Cash Outflows</b>             | <b>BUDGETED</b>  |
|---|------------------|
| Salaries, Wages and Employee Benefit          | 13,200.00        |
| Administrative Expenses                       | 4,000.00         |
| Tax and Governmental Expenses                 | 2,000.00         |
| Travel, Meetings and Presentation Cost        | 25,000.00        |
| Conference and Exec. Board Meetings Cost      | 5,000.00         |
| Technical Assistance for Developing Countries | 4,000.00         |
| Gifts and Awards                              | 1,500.00         |
| Advertising, Media and Marketing              | 2,000.00         |
| Management Reserve                            | 3,000.00         |
| Banking Services and Costs                    | 350.00           |
| <b>Total Operating Expenses</b>               | <b>60,050.00</b> |

# Regional Appointed Board

The UWW Asia Regional Appointed Board is established as an advisory body representing the five key regions of Asia: West Asia, Central Asia, South Asia, South-East Asia, and East Asia. The appointed members serve as regional focal points, ensuring effective communication and coordination between UWW Asia and the respective national federations within their regions. They are invited to attend UWW Asia Board meetings, where they actively contribute by sharing regional perspectives, highlighting challenges and opportunities, and supporting informed decision-making at the continental level. In this capacity, they participate in discussions in a consultative role and do not hold voting rights within the Board.

Members of the Regional Appointed Board are nominated by the President of UWW Asia, subject to the decision and approval of the Board. Their appointments are not permanent and may be reviewed or amended based on the evolving needs of UWW Asia, with any changes decided during Board meetings. This flexible structure ensures that the advisory body remains dynamic, representative, and aligned with the strategic priorities of UWW Asia.

# Fahad A. Al-Farraj

## *West Asia*

Fahad A. Al-Farraj serves as President of the Saudi Arabian Wrestling Federation, where he leads the strategic development and governance of wrestling across the Kingdom. With a background in finance and executive leadership, he brings a structured, performance-driven approach to modernizing the sport in alignment with Saudi Arabia's broader sports transformation under Vision 2030. Since assuming leadership, Al-Farraj has focused on strengthening the federation's institutional framework while expanding participation at both grassroots and elite levels. He oversees the development of national teams across freestyle, Greco-Roman, and women's wrestling, with an emphasis on building sustainable athlete pipelines and increasing international competitiveness. President Al-Farraj holds a BA in Accounting and Finance from the University of Kent, as well as an Executive MBA from Prince Mohammed Bin Salman College of Business & Entrepreneurship.



# Almaz Bekboev

## *Central Asia*

Almaz Bekboev served as Honorary First Vice President of the Wrestling Federation of Kyrgyzstan, where he plays a key role in the governance, development, and international positioning of wrestling in the country. In parallel, he serves as Director of International Affairs for UWW-Asia, contributing to regional coordination among Asian national federations, while identifying sponsorship opportunities and supporting the selection of future host countries. Mr. Bekboev has been instrumental in elevating Central Asian wrestling, helping establish the region as a major hub for hosting Asian championships across all age categories. His leadership has also contributed to the rise of a "golden generation" of Kyrgyz wrestlers, including Aisuluu Tynybekova and Akzhol Makhmudov. He serves as a vital bridge between Central Asia and the international wrestling community, bringing strong diplomatic and operational expertise to UWW-Asia. Mr. Bekboev holds degrees in International Economic Relations and Banking, as well as a diploma in International Law. He is a graduate of the International University of Kyrgyzstan and the Diplomatic Academy.



# Myanganbaya “Minga” Batsukh

## *East Asia*

Myanganbaya "Minga" Batsukh serves as Secretary General of the Mongolian Wrestling Federation, where he plays a central role in the governance, development, and international coordination of wrestling in Mongolia. Prior to his appointment as Secretary General, Mr. Batsukh attended and completed for St. Benedict's Preparatory School, where he achieved All-American honors. He later continued his distinguished academic and athletic career at the College of Saint Benedict and Saint John's University, where he was inducted into the NWCA Division III Hall of Fame. In this capacity, Mr. Batsukh serves as a bridge between the Asian wrestling community and the West, bringing valuable cultural and professional experience to UWW-Asia. Mr. Batsukh also holds an MBA in Corporate Governance from the University of Finance and Economics of Mongolia.



# Duke Le

## *Southeast Asia*

Duke Le serves as a member of the Vietnam Wrestling Federation and heads the Organizing Committee for UWW events hosted in Vietnam, playing a central role in the country's emergence as a host nation on the international wrestling stage. His leadership was instrumental in the successful delivery of the UWW U17/U23 Asian Championships in Ho Tram, Vietnam, a milestone event that demonstrated the region's capacity to host world-class competition. In this capacity, Le serves as a vital bridge between Southeast Asia and the global wrestling community, bringing operational expertise and a deep commitment to growing the sport across the region.

As Chief Executive Officer of Tri-Titans Athletic Apparel, one of the leading wrestling gear and apparel companies in the United States, Le has built the brand into an active force for the sport well beyond the mat. Under his leadership, Tri-Titans has hosted marquee national tournaments including the Battle on the Midway — a signature competition held on the flight deck of a historic aircraft carrier — and founded the O3T Program, which sponsors and supports wrestlers who exemplify achievement on the mat, in the classroom, and in their communities. He has also led the Expanding Horizons World Wrestling Camp, bringing American wrestlers to Vietnam, Japan, and Singapore to foster cross-cultural exchange and a broader global wrestling identity.



# Future Plans & Strategic Initiatives

## Expansion of Competitions

With Coordination with UWW, UWW Asia aims to grow continental competitions and club championships across more countries and regions.

## Training Centers

Working alongside UWW, UWW Asia is developing dedicated wrestling training centers to support athlete preparation and high-performance growth.

## Youth & Women's Programs

Together with UWW, UWW Asia is strengthening youth development pathways and women's wrestling programs at every level of the sport.

## International Partnerships

In alignment with UWW, UWW Asia is deepening ties with the Olympic Council of Asia and key international partners to drive mutual growth.

## Marketing & Sponsorship

In coordination with UWW, UWW Asia is launching new continental marketing and sponsorship programs to elevate wrestling's visibility and reach.

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# Marketing Team Report

# Social Media Report 2025

141,000 Followers · @uww.asia · United World Wrestling Asia

261

Posts Published in 2025

1,307,780

Total Likes

12,199

Total Comments

36.2M

Total Reel Views

6.1M

Impressions (Last 90 Days)

819K

Accounts Reached

## MOST VIRAL POST OF 2025

**201,639 Likes · 4,176,791 Reelviews**

November 11, 2025 · Reel · Asian Youth Games Bahrain · 55 kg Category

Peak Month: July 2025 · 80 Posts · 590,749 Likes · 19.7M Views (#wrestlebishkek)

## CONTENT MIX

63% Reels

32% Carousels

5% Photos

# Marketing Pillars

## Establish a Unified Brand Identity

Develop a consistent visual and messaging framework across all UWW Asia platforms, events, and member federations, so the brand is instantly recognizable from Tehran to Tokyo.

## Boost Engagement Across UWW Asia Events

Turn every competition into a content moment. Drive real-time fan interaction through live coverage, social activations, and on-site experiences that keep audiences engaged before, during, and after the final whistle.

## Expand Visibility of Athletes via Storytelling

Put faces to the sport. Highlight the journeys, cultures, and achievements of Asia's top wrestlers through compelling narratives that connect fans to the athletes, their coaches, and the federations behind them.

## Build a Self-Sustaining Marketing Network

Empower member federations with shared tools, resources, and best practices so that marketing efforts grow from the ground up — creating a network where every federation amplifies the whole.

# Creator Network Initiative

## Building a Continent-Wide Creator Pipeline for UWW Asia

**Content Creation & Editing Funnel** — for all UWWA Social Media Channels

**Recruit Wrestling Content Creators** — across the continent to submit content to the UWWA Content Team to review, edit, and post across all socials

**Quality Standards** — All content to meet a quality-standard set by the UWWA Marketing Team

**Balanced Representation** — Create a baseline calendar to ensure all regions have balanced representation and to identify recruiting needs

**Regional Leads** — Utilize regional leads to identify and onboard active and upcoming content creators with lesser known wrestling communities

# Scope of Work

## Effective Immediately

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Strategic Marketing, Planning & Oversight

Social Media Management

Creative Direction & Branding Execution

Performance Reporting

## Future Ventures

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Sponsorship Acquisition & Activations

Monetization Planning

Sponsored Posts

Merchandising

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# 2025 UWW Asia Awards



## Greco-Roman Athlete of the Year

*IRI - Mohammad Hadi Saravi*



Saravi defended his World Championship title in the 97 kg Greco-Roman division at the 2025 World Wrestling Championships in Zagreb, cementing his status as a two-time world champion and reigning Olympic gold medalist. He was also nominated for the 2025 World's Best Male Athlete award by the International Sports Press Association (AIPS).



## Women's Wrestling Athlete of the Year

*JPN - Mina Morikawa*



Morikawa dominated the 65 kg women's freestyle division in 2025, winning gold at both the Asian Championships and the World Wrestling Championships in Zagreb. Her double crown in a single season underscores her standing as the premier women's wrestler in Asia.



## Freestyle Athlete of the Year

*PRK - Han Chong-Song*



Han Chong-Song swept the two biggest stages in Asian wrestling in 2025, claiming gold at both the Asian Championships and the World Wrestling Championships in the 57 kg freestyle division. The 22-year-old went through the World Championship field without dropping a match.



## Greco-Roman Coach of the Year

*UZB- Rustam Assakalov*



In his first major outing as Uzbekistan's national Greco-Roman head coach, Assakalov guided the team to three gold medals at the 2025 Asian Championships. His seamless transition from elite competitor to top-level coach made an immediate and commanding impact.



## Women's Wrestling Coach of the Year

*KGZ - Nurbek Izabekov*



Izabekov continued to guide Kyrgyzstan's women's wrestling program to elite-level results in 2025, with his athletes remaining among the most competitive in Asia. His nearly two decades of building athletes have made Kyrgyzstan a consistent force in women's freestyle wrestling on the world stage.



## Freestyle Coach of the Year

*IRI - Pejman Dorostkar*



Under Dorostkar's leadership, Iran's freestyle team claimed its first World Championship team title in 12 years at the 2025 World Wrestling Championships in Zagreb, topping the standings with 145 points — 11 ahead of second-place USA. His bold decision to build around a young roster proved decisive on the sport's biggest stage.



## National Federation of the Year

*THA - Thailand*





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**Thank You**

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