



WKSF President - Annual Report 2025

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Dear WKSF Members, as 2025 draws to a close, we feel compelled to share with you not only a summary of our activities but, above all, the value of the journey we have built together. A journey built on attentiveness, listening, and concrete commitment, which we intend to continue with determination alongside you in 2026 as well.

Almost 8 years have passed since we founded WKSF. In this Report I have told in simple words everything we have done. Enjoy the reading. We have achieved important milestones for growth of our organization and of Kettlebell Sport in general, I want to mention some of these achievements: we have joined TAFISA and we are international member, ISNO international member, SRE international member, GAWSF international member, we are in the process of joining AIMS and WADA, we are on the road to international recognition. We have carried out a project to organize sporting events in high quality with all predefined requirements.

MEMBERS

During 2025 we have 76 countries affiliated regularly..

Africa 11 Country

Asia 19 Contry

Europe 33 Country

North & Central America 3 Country

Oceania 2 Country

South America 7 Country

WORLD RECORDS

In the season of 2025, 94 World Records

7 records for the Elite

87 records for the Master

during World Championship in Italy and during European Championship in Moldova.

JUDGES

The Judges worked very well, especially in the most important competitions of the year, in total we have 192 certified judges of various categories, the first judges and secretariat in the championships receive compensation in the amount of 50€ and in general this year 17.468,86 € was spent on refereeing. Have not given the opportunity to carry out projects in collaboration with international universities, we have achieved a lot but we still have a lot of work to carry out our realities, all together we will succeed.



DOPING CONTROL

During the World Championship in Italy, 30 tests were negative, with sport laboratory Barylla.

During the European Championship in Moldova, 5 tests were negative, with National Anti-Doping Agency.

In total € 10.000,00.

COMPETITIONS

At the end of my report I would like to visualize three important events of the year 2025:

In the WKSF 2025 events calendar we have 19 competitions in 5 continents (South America & North America, Asia, Europa, Oceania) that shows great growth Kettlebell Sport in the world, including World Championship in Italy, Open European Championship in Moldova, Open Asia & Oceania Championship in China, Open South & North America Championship in Brasile, Open Cup Oceania in Australia, World Cup in Italy.

- 1) WKSF World Championship month of June in Italy, great organizational level, 31 country and 714 athletes-disciplines. Doping Control 30 test.
- 2) WKSF Open South & North America Championship month November in Brazil, great organizational level, 4 country, 150 athletes-disciplines.
- 3) WKSF Open European Championship month December in Moldova, great organizational level, 16 country, 252 athletes-disciplines. Doping Control 5 test.
- 4) WKSF Open Asia & Oceania Championship month November in China.
- 5) WKSF World Cup in Italy in March.
- 6) WKSF Open Oceania Cup in Australia in April.

GLOBAL WORK PROJECTS

One of the major objectives that we have set ourselves as WKSF is to make ourselves known and to obtain ever greater visibility as a sport. For this reason, we are committed to activate international contacts in order to introduce ourselves and acquire the necessary information to be able to join organizations that can help us achieve our purpose.

During 2025 we are officially affiliated and we are members:

- ISNO
- SRE
- TAFISA
- GAWSF
- AIMS (work in progress)

GLOBAL ACTIVITIES

- 1) TAFISA SPORT FOR ALL EUROPE FORUM 2025 On last days 26th and 27th March, the TAFISA organized the TAFISA SPORT FOR ALL EUROPE TIES about the future of the Europe on Sport.
- 2) EU EUROPE SPORT FORUM 2025 In the beautiful city of Krakow, the European Commission organized the EU European Sport Forum 2025. The World Kettlebell Sport Federation was accepted to be present and represent the Kettlebell Commission between high members of the European Commission, the IOC president, ministries of sports, presidents of several organizations, city mayors, NOC's and many other guests.





- 3) Kettlebell Sport promotion work in countries of the African continent, Saudi Arabia and the Republic of San Marino where we have big projects.
- 4) Finally we have activated the procedure with AIMS SPORTACCORD, we have sent an application paying a regular fee requested by AIMS 27.000,00€, it will be a hard work and a long procedure, we need the great support of all WKSF members to realize our project, only together we can achieve our goals!

GENDER

The practice of Kettlebell Sport , womens 51%, mens 49%

Mens in diferent Commissions 50

Womens in diferent commissions 33

Mens Judges 116

Womens Judges 76

Everyone has the right to practice sports in healthy environments that guarantee human dignity. Women and men of different ages and different social and cultural backgrounds must have the same opportunities to practice kettlebell sports. Sports organizations and institutions must be responsible for the implementation of gender equality policies and must find useful tools to promote the participation of women in kettlebell sport, at all levels.

Recommendations for WKSF affiliated national federations and associations

- Work for the organizational transformation of federations-associations and place women in various areas and roles.
- Organize activities for different training agencies such as schools, youth centers, sports centers that can encourage girls and women to play kettlebell sports.
- Work for the creation of "women friendly" environments that allow women to combine sport with motherhood.
- Create programs for the development of women's sports practice and seek forms of cooperation with other political subjects (Ministry of Health, Social Affairs, etc.)
- Allocate available financial resources to foster equal participation in sport.
- Allocate sports facilities to different groups on an equal basis.
- Include clear anti-sex clauses in federal regulations.

STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF KETTLEBELL SPORT WORLDWIDE

INTRODUCTION

The World Kettlebell Sport Federation is the international leading board of all the federations of kettlebell sport from each affiliated country, managing and organizing the relationships and international competitions among them. Furthermore, the World Kettlebell Sport Federation regulates and develops the international sport events, training programs for practitioners and technicians, in addition to promoting national federations. The World Kettlebell Sport Federation believes in the values of democracy, solidarity and equality, and condemns any discrimination of gender, nationality, social background, political and religious views. The World Kettlebell Sport Federation promotes the recognition of sport as a determining factor to improve the individual's personal growth. The World Kettlebell Sport Federation opposes all forms of corruption or conflicts of interest and encourages transparency in decisions and processes. The World



Kettlebell Sport Federation prevents and restricts the use of substances altering natural physical performance of athletes and reinforces the current anti-doping laws.

VISION

To promote and regulate Kettlebell Sport, in order to develop the values and culture of this sport, alongside national federations and sport associations. The World Kettlebell Sport Federation considers sport as a powerful to promote positive values in terms of general wellbeing and lifestyle. Kettlebell Sport is practiced by professionals and amateurs, who follow some shared values:

- loyalty;
- mutual support;
- physical and moral sacrifice;
- respect for the opponent and compliance with rules;
- attention to social and environmental issues;
- interest for people's health and their general wellbeing;
- understanding and respect for the historical roots of the discipline.

MISSION

To design a plan of continuous development of the Kettlebell Sport Movement worldwide, in order to improve the qualitative and quantitative standards of the sport as well as the organization. To strengthen cooperation and partnerships between all actors, including sport clubs, associations, federations and leagues, university, school, local communities and decision makers as well as the public and private sectors, and ensure complementarities and to make sport and physical education available to everyone.

OBJECTIVES

- To promote and develop the Movement, through the increase in the number of members and affiliated national federations worldwide.
- To stimulate the interest of people and media for the sport.
- To promote a wider and thorough expansion of Kettlebell Sport culture at every level of experience.
- To promote Sport as a primary factor for health, education, social, economic and cultural development.
- To implement shared planning and decision making across the board.
- To value relationships with stakeholders.

ACTIONS

- To improve the organizational governance and promote the coordination across different national federations.
- To encourage the affiliation to the main supranational sports Organizations.
- To improve the structure of competitions and international sport events.
- To promote standardisation of competition equipment, rules and criteria.
- To add value to the national teams.
- To promote continuously higher standards of training for athletes and instructors.
- To develop an advanced plan of communication and marketing.
- To amplify live streaming, media and TV connection for main sport events.
- To increase the fundraising and the search for new sponsorships.



- To promote health and wellbeing for disabled people, taking into account their specific requirements and needs.
- To encourage everybody to practice sport and physical activity, in particular women, young and elderly people.
- To increase the awareness and understanding of Kettlebell Sport in schools and universities.
- To promote active citizenship and encourage volunteering in sport.
- To promote sport projects linking science, health, society and culture, together with the experts in each field of interest.

THE FOUR PILLARS OF WKSF

The World Kettlebell Sport Federation is based on four main pillars:

- Competitions: through the organization of international championships and games
- Education: through activities aimed at increasing the awareness of the sport and its technical methodologies among people, in collaboration with experts in the academic environment and health professionals
- Social and cultural promotion: through support to projects aimed at promoting the involvement of students, women, young people and vulnerable individuals of society, in partnership with public and private entities and bodies.
- Training: through the organization and improvement of specific courses, workshops and classes for instructors, athletes and amateurs. Noteworthy is the contribute of the International Kettlebell Lifting Training Academy for its commitment to education and specific activities aimed at the personal and professional development of professional athletes.

The World Kettlebell Sport Federation recognizes that international sport has the power to bring nations as well as individuals together and it can serve as a guide to an engaged and inclusive society. Through this brief strategic plan, the World Kettlebell Sport Federation provides the roadmap and the main initiatives to convert the main challenges in great opportunities for the long term growth of our sport and for the enjoyment of many people within the Kettlebell Sport family!

FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

I want to thank everyone, Athletes, Trainers, Judges, National Referents, for the commitment made during this year, a commitment that has allowed us to quickly grow "our" WKSF.

Thanks to the Coordinators and the members of the Commissions (83 members of the commissions involved for our growth) and to the Executive Committee (I would like to specify all members of the executive committee, we worked very hard and very constructive during the year 2025), who contributed to the definition of the technical / sporting aspects.

FINANCIAL 2025

I provide, in full transparency, the summary data for 2024:

Income € 113.261,60

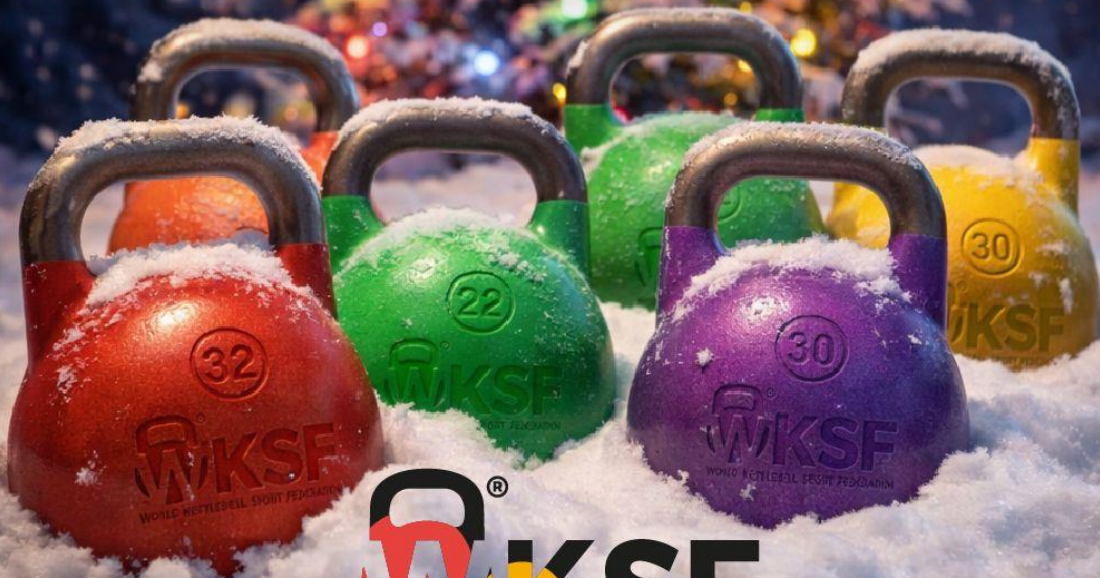
Expençe € 129.426,35

(Minus € 16.164,75)

We want to grow and we want an ever better organization and we can do it only if we all really want it and if we all move in unison to achieve the objectives that we have agreed on and that we will always define in the future.



MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2026



Best wishes for a joyful New Year!

I wish you all a peaceful Christmas and a happy New Year. It was a pleasure working together this year, and I thank you for your fruitful collaboration. I hope the holidays bring moments of joy to you and your families.

President WKSF, Oleh Ilika

