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To  
the Member Federations  
the Continental Federations

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## **2005 IHF Symposium for Coaches and Chief Referees in Thailand**

Dear Friends in Handball,

As has already been announced some time ago, the International Handball Federation is to stage a symposium for coaches and head referees in Thailand in the summer of 2005. Independently of the terrible flood in Asia we decided in favour of Thailand as venue for the symposium as scheduled beforehand.

Today we would herewith like to cordially invite you to the named symposium. Would you please read the relevant key data as below.

DATE: 21 - 26 June 2005

PLACE: Bangkok, Thailand

ORGANISER: Handball Association of Thailand

ACCOMMODATION: hotel (single / double rooms)

PARTICIPATION FEE: 600.- – 800.- Swiss francs for the entire period of stay (details follow)

PROGRAMME:

21 June 2005	Arrival
22 June 2005	Joint meeting with coaches and chief referees <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Opening</li><li>- Main lectures</li><li>- Exercises</li></ul>
23 June 2005	Separate meetings for coaches and chief referees
24 June 2005	- Separate meetings (half-day) for coaches and chief referees <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Excursion</li></ul>
25 June 2005	Joint workshop with coaches and chief referees including subsequent discussion
26 June 2005	Departure

- MAIN TOPICS
- Athens 2004 Olympic Games and 2005 World Championships
  - Modern, individual player's profiles
  - New ideas on tactical concepts / combinations in offence
  - Changing game structure– consequences on training athleticism
  - Flexible concepts in defence
  - Psychological aspects / strategies in team leading
  - IHF line in rules interpretation
  - Explanation of the 2005 rules changes
  - Future rules development as a result of new technical and tactical innovations
  - IHF assistance to chief referees
  - New concept of “Global Referee Training Group” for World Championship candidates
  - New teaching and training methods for referees including a focus on psychological aspects

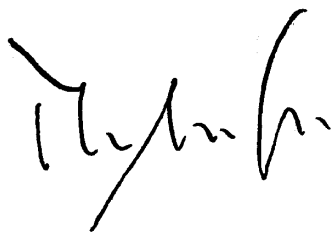
May we ask you to please reserve the dates already now. We will come back to you within four weeks time to communicate further details to you and to provide you with the necessary forms for registration and others.

In the meantime we send our best sporting regards.

Yours sincerely,

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PRC President



Frank Birkefeld  
Managing Director

(signed) Naser Abu Marzouq  
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