



EUROPEAN BOXING CONFEDERATION

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To: Krassimir Ininski
President
Bulgarian Boxing Federation

Dear President Ininski,
Dear Bulgarian Boxing Family,

On behalf of the European Boxing Federation and the extended European boxing movement, I would like to express my deep sympathies for the passing of my dear friend Emil Jechev. Celebrated in his home country of Bulgaria, Mr. Jechev was dedicated to our beloved boxing, bringing his love and dedication of our sport to the European boxing during his tenure as EABA President as well as to international boxing during his roles in AIBA.

Emil's devotion to boxing has helped to lay the groundwork and foundation for our current boxing movement. With the passing of Emil, we have lost one of the main figures of European and world Olympic boxing. He was an expert sports manager and educator, with his books on technique and methodology commonly used by coaches and R&Js. He was distinguishably respected but not authoritative. Always available to have dialogue, understanding and available to find solutions to problems, our sport was family to him.

Internationally, he taught diplomacy and fair play. He always had sense of solidarity and cooperation with National Federations, Sports Institutions and always tried to mediate frequent conflicts within Europe during his tenure as EABA President.

For many years he was responsible for the management of the R&Js for AIBA. His greatest regret was not to be able to avoid many incorrect results that eventually caused hurtful repercussions to boxing's image and credibility.

Emil has left us a great example of perseverance, dedication and voluntary pure spirit for the management and development of boxing, which he considered an educational instrument for younger generations.

I would like to close with this dedicated memory of Emil's great mission in sports and thank him on behalf of our boxing family for the precious contribution that he has offered during his lifelong work in European and world boxing. My heartfelt condolences go to his family, friends, and the Bulgarian Boxing Federation who will keep his accomplishments and memory alive.

Franco Falcinelli
EUBC President

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