

Competition Venues

In less than a year's time, more than 1000 athletes will gather in Beijing to take part in the 2010 Combat Games. SportAccord has now the pleasure to unveil the venues, where the 125 competitions and 40 demonstrations of the 13 sports represented will take place.

The three following competition venues were selected, all former Olympic venues:



The China Agricultural University Gymnasium

Aikido, Sambo, Sumo & Wrestling
Olympic venue for Wrestling



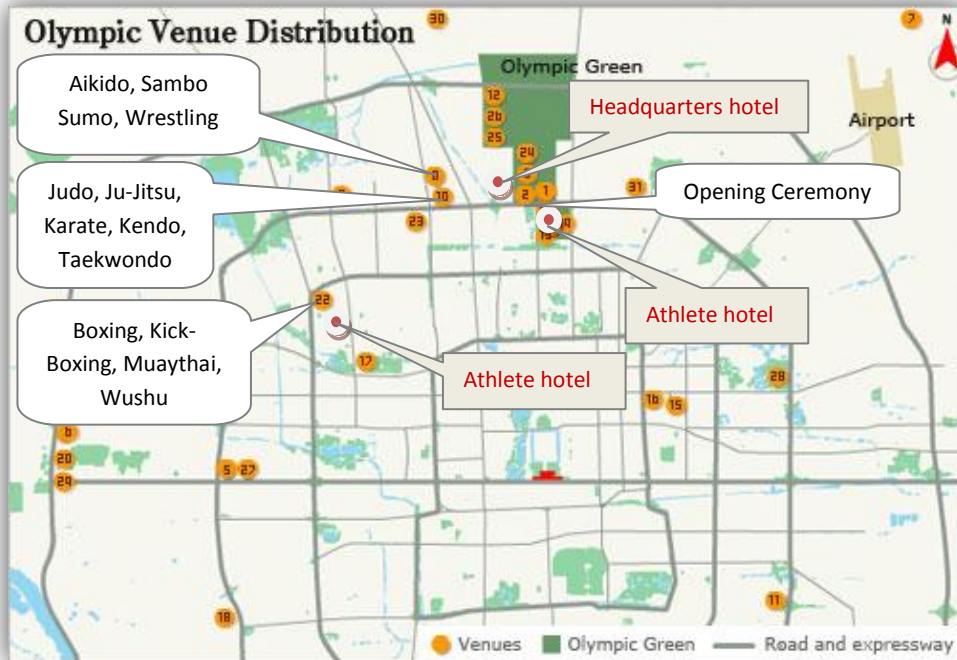
The Beijing Science and Technology University Gymnasium

Judo, Ju-Jitsu, Karate, Kendo & Taekwondo
Olympic venue for Judo and Taekwondo



The Beijing Institute of Technology Gymnasium

Boxing, Kick-Boxing, Muaythai & Wushu
Olympic venue for Volley Ball



Hotels

Three hotels were selected for the event, within close distance of the venues:

Beijing Friendship Hotel: Athlete Hotel opposite the Boxing, Kick-Boxing, Muaythai and Wushu Venue

Beijing International Convention Center: Athlete Hotel close to the Beijing Science and Technology University and The China Agricultural University Gymnasium

North Star Intercontinental Hotel: Headquarters Hotel just opposite the National Indoor Stadium

The Opening Ceremony

The date of the Opening Ceremony was announced, the First SportAccord Combat Games will be inaugurated on 27 August 2010 at the *National Indoor Stadium*, located in the Olympic Green.



New Committee Member

SportAccord has the pleasure to announce that Mr. Patrick VAN CAMPENHOUT has joined the Combat Games Committee as Deputy Chairman in charge of sport technical matters. He will replace Mr. François BESSON, Sports Director of the International Judo Federation (IJF), who stepped down from his position in the SportAccord Combat Games Committee due to new professional assignments.

Treasurer of the International Wushu Federation (IWUF) since 2001, Director of the ARISF Council since March 2009, member of the National Olympic Committee of Belgium's Executive Committee, Patrick VAN CAMPENHOUT is a man with many interests and activities, a remarkable expert of Martial Arts and Combat Sports. His long-term experience will certainly be an added value for the Combat Games Committee from now on. The SportAccord Combat Games Committee wishes Mr. VAN CAMPENHOUT every success in his future responsibilities and takes this opportunity to thank Mr. BESSON warmly for his collaboration and valuable experience in setting up this ambitious project.

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