



## NEWS AND EVENTS

### Charter Convention in Esting, Germany

After enormous effort, countless hours of work, and driven by tireless commitment, the Traditional Global Tang Soo Do Association held its Charter Convention December 14, 2019 in Esting, Germany.



International Senior Master Klaus Trogemann, as well as eight Masters and numerous Black Belts were attending the convention to form the new organisation which is, as of now, consisting of twelve European countries, and two other countries. Master Trogemann has been amazing in mobilising everyone helping with administrative tasks, layouts, logos, manual, website, legal affairs, and so much more.

A great spirit was perceptible among the participants when Master Trogemann announced the official formation of the TGTSDA and handed out certificates to the charter members, an emotional moment not only for the members but especially also for Master Trogemann.

Global Spirit, Honour Tradition, Fellowship, Ethical Code of Honour, and One with Nature are the mottos of the TGTSDA, which its members hope to be able to show in the best ways they can. Inclusion rather than exclusion is one of the pillars of the association, meaning to coexist with other martial arts organisations, welcome similarities and differences, learn and benefit from each other by interacting with each other.

Accompanied by our mottos and our indomitable spirit we are looking forward to face the new challenges of the years to come! Tang Soo!



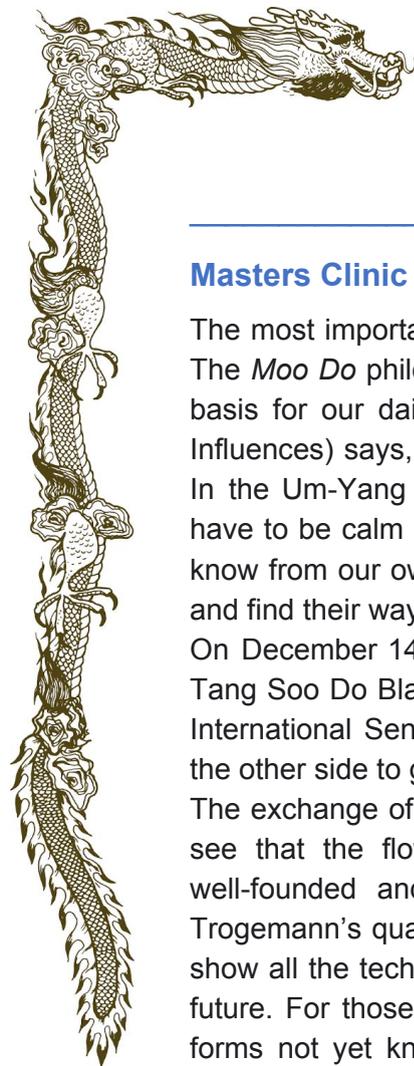
Participants of the Charter Convention December 14, 2019 in Esting, Germany

Front row (from right to left): *Master Jan De-Vry, Master Ralf Ubeländer, Master Susanne Ubeländer, Master Stefan Peters, Ciden Manuel, Anna Steinmetz, Kees Mommers, Alexandre Bernard, Master Andrew Ewing, Master Klaus Trogemann*

Middle row: *Holger Saboynik, Alexander Steinmetz, Leonidas Kalojanidis, Elodie Linard, Karl Bittner, Klaus Trieglaff, Jo Kandlbinder, Nicholas Procopenko, Lloyd Partosoebroto, Thomas Schromm, Master Christian Preis, Mirko Peitz (behind), Tatjana Schwarz, Achim Brall (behind), Master Riccarda Beisert, Thomas Krause, Master Geroald Engenhorst*

Back row: *Maximilian Arnold, Dunja Arnold, Patrick Zapf, Christian Fasold, Kai Bugs, Günter Neumann*

Tatjana Schwarz, E Dan, Åkersberga TSD



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### [Masters Clinic Esting, Germany - \*Panta Rhei\* \(gr.\) or \*Riu Pa\* \(kor.\)](#)

The most important basis for all martial arts is physical and mental balance, motion and calmness. The *Moo Do* philosophy that we learn from Tang Soo So is not only an instruction for training but a basis for our daily life. Among other things the song of the *Sip Sam Seh* (The Song of the 13 Influences) says, one should *look for the calmness in motion* and *look for the motion in calmness*. In the Um-Yang symbol fire (hard energy) and water (soft energy) can be found. Both energies have to be calm and in balance in order to maintain the flow. Both energies occur in nature and we know from our own experience that we cannot stop this flow. Fire and water will always search for and find their way.

On December 14, we were allowed to witness what it means when those energies find their way. Tang Soo Do Black Belts and Masters from 13 different countries gathered under the guidance of International Senior Master Klaus Trogemann to, on one side, exchange their knowledge and on the other side to get the flow back in motion, that faltered in previous times.

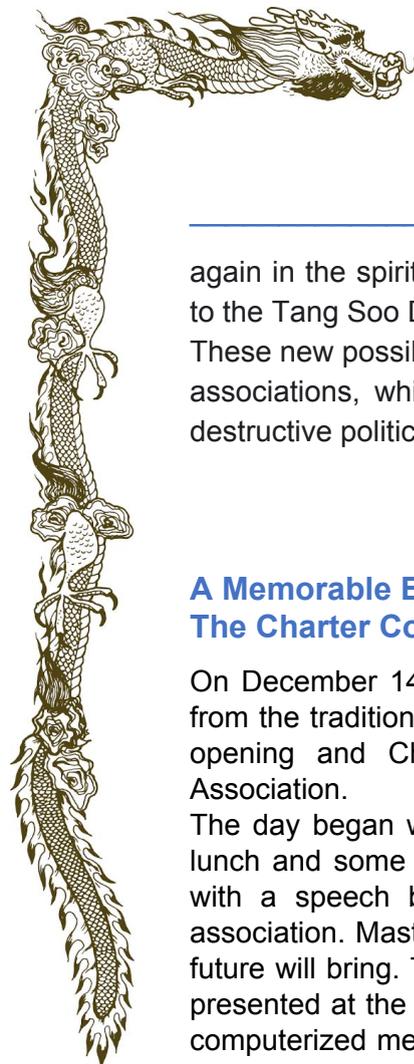
The exchange of knowledge in the morning was very valuable and the participants could especially see that the flow is not ending anytime soon. SBN Trogemann visibly enjoyed sharing his well-founded and extensive knowledge with the participants. Everyone benefited from SBN Trogemann's qualified instructions, by training and improving their higher forms since he could also show all the technical aspects. In addition it was very motivating to see what one can expect in the future. For those Masters who were interested, SBN Trogemann gave some insight in additional forms not yet known to the masters. Those forms will be part of the repertoire of the TGTSDA forms. In the very spirit of *Moo Do* everyone was practicing together and exchanged their experiences. One could really feel the flow! SBN Trogemann managed to keep the flow running on a high level during the entire clinic. Despite his age his energy and his physical abilities created an exceptional enthusiasm and inspiration among the participants.

The exchange continued during lunch. Not even the different languages could stop the flow. We were talking in German, English, Spanish and French. Everyone to the best of their ability. Remarkable was that it was a rational discussion as well as an exchange of the heart. A strong bond was formed that afternoon.

The afternoon was also dedicated to another philosophy: *The end is also a beginning, every beginning is also an end.*

The German Tang Soo Do Association completes its year. A look into the past is always important to see what we can do to create a successful future. In this meeting not only the year 2019 was closed but it also enabled the birth of a new association. Again the spirit of *Moo Do* was present. The energies always find their way. For many the birth of the Traditional Global Tang Soo Do Association means the end of the previous as well as a beginning of a hopeful new start, where as many obstacles were removed to work positively toward the future.

A huge thank you to all the makers who spent countless hours in the run-up to the new association with extensive planning and preparation to make the birth of the new association possible. Master Trogemann, Master Ewing, Master Peters, Mr Bernard, Mr Krause, Mr Schromm and many others have put in a huge effort. But all that work is worthless without the enormous support and friendship of the members. Therefore a big and heartfelt thank you to all the present Masters, Black Belts and additional supporters. Everyone is looking forward to working and standing together



again in the spirit of *Moo Do* and Tang Soo Do and continue the traditional Tang Soo Do according to the Tang Soo Do spirit.

These new possibilities and opportunities are open to all our members as well as members of other associations, which put friendship and the traditional philosophy before despicable excruciating destructive politics.

Master Christian Preis, Sah Dan, Switzerland

### **A Memorable Event!**

#### **The Charter Convention of the Traditional Global Tang Soo Do Association.**

On December 14<sup>th</sup> of 2019, nearly 40 martial artists from 13 countries, masters and senior Dans from the traditional art of Tang Soo Do gathered in Esting, close to Munich in Germany to have the opening and Charter convention of the newly organised Traditional Global Tang Soo Do Association.

The day began with an intensive 3-hour training in traditional TSD forms and weapons, but after lunch and some regional meetings of the Germany clubs, the Charter Convention began at 3 pm with a speech by 7<sup>th</sup> Dan International Senior Master Trogemann, the founder of the new association. Master Trogemann spoke of our heritage and traditions in Tang Soo Do and what the future will bring. The association is already well on its way to being fully organized with a new logo presented at the meeting, new combined Gup and Dan manual, By-laws, constitution, web site and computerized membership programs in the working. The new association promises to be more or less paperless from the headquarters, making it both efficient and environmentally friendly! Master Trogemann presented much of this at the meeting and handed out commendations to those who have done a lot of the preparative work to get the association running with a goal to be completely operational by march of 2020.

After a motion from the floor, we unanimously elected Master Trogemann as the first President of the Traditional Global Tang Soo Do Association. The mottos that the association will follow are Global Spirit, Honour Tradition, Fellowship, Ethical Code of Honour, and One with Nature.

The convention had very high spirit and it is clear we will propagate this to the new association. We hope to follow the traditions set down by the late Grandmaster Jae Chul Shin and to build a truly coherent organization that is fair and inclusive. The new logo features practitioners of both genders and the constitution and by-laws reflect this as well.

What a great start to a new era in Tang Soo Do!

Master Andrew Ewing, Oh Dan, Sweden

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