

ANNUAL HIGHLIGHTS 2021

RESILIENCE AND INNOVATION AMIDST CHALLENGES

It has been only three years since GAMMA was founded, and despite ongoing challenges from the COVID-19 pandemic, GAMMA demonstrated resilience and agility in navigating a complex global landscape. In 2021, we achieved significant milestones, underscoring our commitment to innovation and providing a platform for athletes, coaches, and officials to showcase their skills and talents.

EVENTS

Asian MMA Championships: The first GAMMA Asian MMA Championships was held in Kyrgyzstan from August 24-28, 2021.



European MMA Championships: The first GAMMA European MMA Championships took place in Ukraine from November 5-9, 2021.



These events build on the success of the very first GAMMA competition, the GAMMA World MMA Championships 2019 in Singapore.

HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

COVID-19 Regulations and Protocols: Developed by the GAMMA Medical and Anti-Doping Committee, these guidelines were crucial in ensuring the safety and well-being of participants and staff, demonstrating our proactive approach to health and safety.

EMPOWERING SOCIAL INITIATIVES

#ifight Campaign: Launched at the 2021 Asian MMA Championships, this campaign encourages athletes to champion causes they believe in every time they compete.

Fight4Future in Thailand and **Sports for Everybody** in Palestine: Member federations use MMA to support local communities, fostering positive change through sport.

#GlovesUpGunsDown: Spearheaded by Uganda Representative Ruben Saldana, this initiative uses MMA to inspire youth to make constructive life choices, steering them away from gang involvement and incarceration.



Joins as a member with SandSI
(Sport and Sustainability International)



United Nations
Framework Convention on
Climate Change

COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

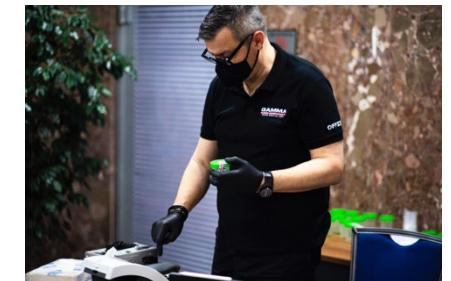
Environmental Stewardship: GAMMA aligns with the International Olympic Committee's Sustainability Report by integrating eco-friendly practices in our events and operations.

Green Banking Initiative: This initiative reinvests in sustainability projects, exemplifying our dedication to environmental responsibility.

Tree Planting: Since our inception, GAMMA has planted 2,437 trees in Madagascar, contributing to global reforestation efforts.

PIONEERING DEVELOPMENTS IN ATHLETE WELFARE

Hydrated Weight Testing: Introduced at the GAMMA European MMA Championships in Kyiv, Ukraine, this initiative promotes athlete safety by discouraging extreme weight cutting, making us the first international sports federation to implement such testing.



Anti-Doping Education: Conducted by the International Testing Agency (ITA) at the GAMMA European MMA Championships, this program underscores our commitment to clean sport and athlete education.

Striking MMA: This new discipline debuted at the GAMMA Asian MMA Championships 2021 in Kyrgyzstan. Striking MMA allows takedowns but prohibits ground and pound, serving as an ideal transition for athletes from striking sports like boxing, Muay Thai, and kickboxing into traditional MMA.

GAMMA's achievements in 2021 highlight our unwavering dedication to innovation, athlete welfare, and sustainability. As we continue to grow, we remain committed to fostering a supportive and forward-thinking environment in the world of mixed martial arts.