

15th ASIAN GAMES DOHA 2006 NEWSLETTER

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FINAL BOOKING DEADLINE PASSES

DAGBS would like to confirm that the extended booking deadline of 28 February has now passed. Bookings are still welcome for venue services but Rights Holders must be aware that requests will be dealt with on a first-come, first-served basis and within the limits of availability.

WBM2

DAGBS reminds Rights Holders that the Second World Broadcasters Meeting (WBM2) will take place in Doha on 29-31 August. DAGOC and DAGBS will take this opportunity to present their finalised plans for the organisation and production of the 15th Asian Games.

DAGOC will send invitations to Rights Holders by the end of May and more detailed information about the event, including the complete agenda, will be available on the DAGBS website.

The current agenda is as follows:

- 29 August:** Plenary Session
- 30 August:** Venue Tour, IBC visit and Unilateral Meetings
- 31 August:** Unilateral Meetings

OBITUARY

The sports broadcasting world is mourning the death of the highly respected Kim Daeyoung, the International Affairs Manager at KBS Sports. DAGBS has expressed its deepest sympathy to the KBS management and to his colleagues and family. He passed away earlier in the year.

GLOSSARY

DWDM - Dense Wavelength Division Multiplex. An optical technology used to increase bandwidth over existing fibre optic backbones.

SAD - Supplementary Access Device or SAD, typically used to designate supplementary credentials. Access Devices are required for entry into specific areas and / or unilateral facilities at venues on competition days, in addition to the Accreditation card.

PRODUCTION PLAN UPDATES

The DAGBS production plan has been adjusted to reflect recent changes in the competition schedule. Mountain Biking has been eliminated from the schedule and replaced by Track Cycling which slots into the competition programme from 9-14 December. The Track Cycling venue is still to be confirmed.

Having previously been earmarked for live coverage, Bowling and Chess will now only be available as ENG coverage and offered in delayed highlight form at the IBC.

Production are continuing to host venue surveys on a weekly basis and the production plan is being amended accordingly.

INDOOR CAMERA ENVELOPE TESTED SUCCESSFULLY

DAGBS Production are pleased to reveal the successful testing of the unique state-of-the-art Indoor Camera Envelope (ICE), which will be used for the first time ever in the coverage of any sporting event when making its debut at the 15th Asian Games.

Research and development of this specialised broadcast equipment commenced in April 2005 with initial test flying at the Millennium Stadium in Cardiff.

This technical 'first' comprises a remote controlled helium filled sphere mounted with a camera, which will provide aerial coverage over the six fields of play of the Aspire Indoor complex. The sphere can hover, travel horizontally and vertically and rotate through 360 degrees on any axis, offering unique coverage opportunities for the seven sports taking place under the one roof.

Following this successful trial in the UK, DAGBS tested the equipment at the world's biggest indoor sports dome, The Aspire Indoor complex in Doha, where it will be used for coverage of indoor sports including Gymnastics, Weightlifting and Wrestling during the 15th Asian Games.

Examples of the shots offered by the camera are available within the download section of our website www.dagbs.tv



The Ice Envelope Camera during testing at The Aspire Indoor complex in Doha



SPOTLIGHT ON... KHALIFA INTERNATIONAL TENNIS AND SQUASH COMPLEX



Khalifa International Tennis and Squash Complex (TSP) is one of the ten competition precincts of the 15th Asian Games and second only to the Sport City precinct in terms of the number of competition areas. The sports taking place at the complex are Body Building, Chess, Soft Tennis, Squash and Tennis.

One of the major advantages of the Khalifa precinct is its location as it lies just 3km from the MMC and 5km from the Athletes' Village.

DAGBS WEBSITE AND CONTACT INFO (WWW.DAGBS.TV)

The DAGBS website complements existing DAGBS printed material and features information on Venues, Production, Telecom, Broadcast and other general and technical data. The website is updated frequently with the latest DAGBS news and information.

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