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The draw of the first competition day of the ITF Taekwon-do World Championships that is starting tomorrow was held at **Yubileyny Sports Complex**.

On 14 October there will be competitions in individual (1-4 dan) and team pattern and self-defense routine. Participating in individual pattern competitions are **223 athletes from all continents**. Among the participants are defending champions: men: Daler Sayfiddinov (Tajikistan) – 1st dan, Kang Sungri (Korea TKD Federation in Japan) – 3rd dan, Pak Chung Song (PRK) – 4th dan; women: Ri Chol Ok (PRK) – 1st dan, Jegal Un (PRK) – 3rd dan, Sa Ok Jin (PRK) – 4th dan.

The men's team pattern competitions are represented by 20 teams (including the 2007 World Champion – the Czech team) and 18 women's teams (including the winner of all World Championships of the XXI century – PRK team).

The finals of individual and team pattern competitions will be held on 14 October from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

The ITF Taekwon-do World Championships **Opening Ceremony** directed by Professor **Oleg Orlov, the People's Artist of Russia** will be held at Yubileyny Sports Complex at 7 p.m. Free entrance.

