Subject: EKF Regional Seminar September Romania

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Dear representatives,

I hope this email finds you well. As you know by now, the tragedy which is unfolding near our borders will not stop soon, and the number of refugees is growing every day, with almost 4 million children dislocated by a war started by a totalitarian regime.. more than half of the children of Ukraine are refugees now. Poland, Hungary, and Romania are on the Front lines and we do and will do, our best to help as much as we can as individuals and as Associations.

Still, we believe that our practice has to continue for many reasons, but one is emerging in our mind: the bonding and the friendship we have to keep through our Kyudo practice.

This email is about the **09-11 September EKF Regional Kyudo Seminar from Romania**, we have decided to move the location from lasi City which is a border City with Ukraine, to Sibiu City (Hermannstadt) which is in the center of Romania, near the Carpathian Mountains. The main reason is that the venues in lasi City are occupied by refugees and we don't know until when. Until now, we have received only one official confirmation for participation, from Poland with at least 6 persons. I know that it seems early (being only March) and the tragic events are still in place, but it will be very helpful for us to know how many of you can, and will come, to be able to book the venue in time (apparently in September they have a lot of requests).

Here I attach the official invitation for the seminar with changes we've made, please ask your fellow practitioners for availability and confirmation, the sooner we will have confirmation the better, things are volatile in terms of organizing. We are doing our best to host this event.

About the seminar: E.K.F Regional Seminar Sibiu (Hermannstadt) City, Romania

Teachers: The names of the teachers and how many will attend will be decided by EKF Shidoiinkai following the numbers of practitioners that will attend.

Date: 9-11 September 2022- (exact schedule to be decided later with our E.K.F teachers).

Location- Sibiu City: We have chosen Sibiu City for being closer to western Europe, it is easily accessible by car on highway, airplane or even with trains. There are plenty of small Boutique Hotels in the Citadelle (Sibiu's city center) and not far from the venue. Sibiu was a Cultural City of Europe a few years before and it is a very friendly location with a lot to visit around. (https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g295393-Activities-Sibiu_Sibiu_County_Central_Romania_Transylvania.html)

The number of participants: The seminar is meant to be for Shodan to Godan and we can host around 70 practitioners. We intend to have two Shajo of 5 Mato in a sports hall and to make the arrangements for, at least, one meal a day included in the price of the seminar (to be discussed after we know how many practitioners will attend).

* depending on the number of participants we can also accept Mudan's but with strong skills in Shaho Hassetsu and Taihai.

Price: still being discussed depends on how many participants we will be, we are trying to keep it as low as we can. We are open to suggestions.

Thank you very much for your friendship, with some of you we will meet hopefully in Poland where we will be present,

We hope there will be peace!

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