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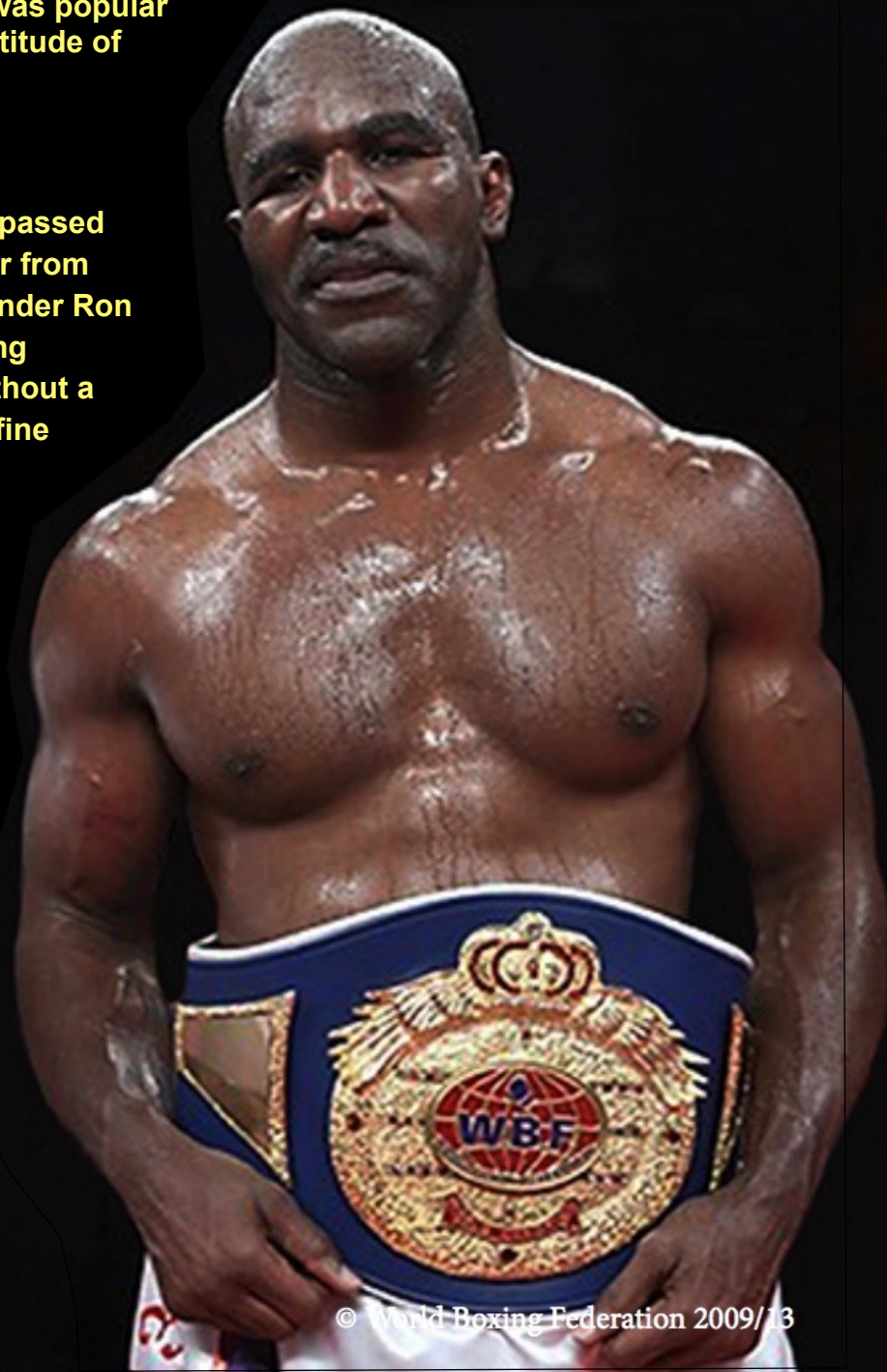
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The **World Boxing Federation** was originally established in early 1988 in Bristol, Tennessee (USA) by its founder and inaugural president Larry Carrier, who was popular as the owner of the Bristol International Raceway. Being successful in a multitude of sports enterprises, Carrier had noted the failures of the existing autocratic sanctioning bodies and that gave the impetus to establish the **World Boxing Federation**.

In the following year, the **WBF** held its first championship bouts and Carrier passed on the presidency of the organization to Ron Scalf, who had been his partner from the start. In 2005, Carrier passed away at the age of 82 after a long illness. Under Ron Scalf, the organization blossomed and the **WBF** grew into a globally operating sanctioning body which held title bouts all over the world. The 90ies was without a doubt a most successful decade for the **WBF** and laid the foundation for its fine reputation. In 2003, Scalf resigned as president and the organization faced troubled times.

From 2003 to 2004, Londoner Jonathan Feld tried to rescue the sanctioning body and acted as its president from England. However, despite huge efforts, he was ultimately not successful and forced to step down when the original **WBF** company was finally dissolved.

After a five-year interregnum period, by the end of 2009, the **World Boxing Federation** was finally re-established under its original name as a non-profit sports organization properly registered in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg. South African Howard Goldberg, from Cape Town, a hugely experienced boxing administrator for many years, assumed the position of president, holding it until the current day. In just over five years since, the re-founded **WBF** has sanctioned more than 300 championship contests on every continent of the globe (bar Antarctica), not only regaining but actually exceeding its former status to become the most serious contender to the few more established sanctioning groups in world boxing today.





## WBF LEADERSHIP TIMELINE

### WBF Presidents (from inception):

1988 – 1989 Larry Carrier (USA)

1989 – 2003 Ron Scalf (USA)

2003 – 2004 Jonathan Feld (England)

2004 – 2009 Interregnum

2009 – Howard Goldberg (South Africa)

### WBF Vice Presidents (from re-establishment):

2009 – 2010 Matteo Fratini (Italy)

2009 – 2010 Ron Scalf (USA)

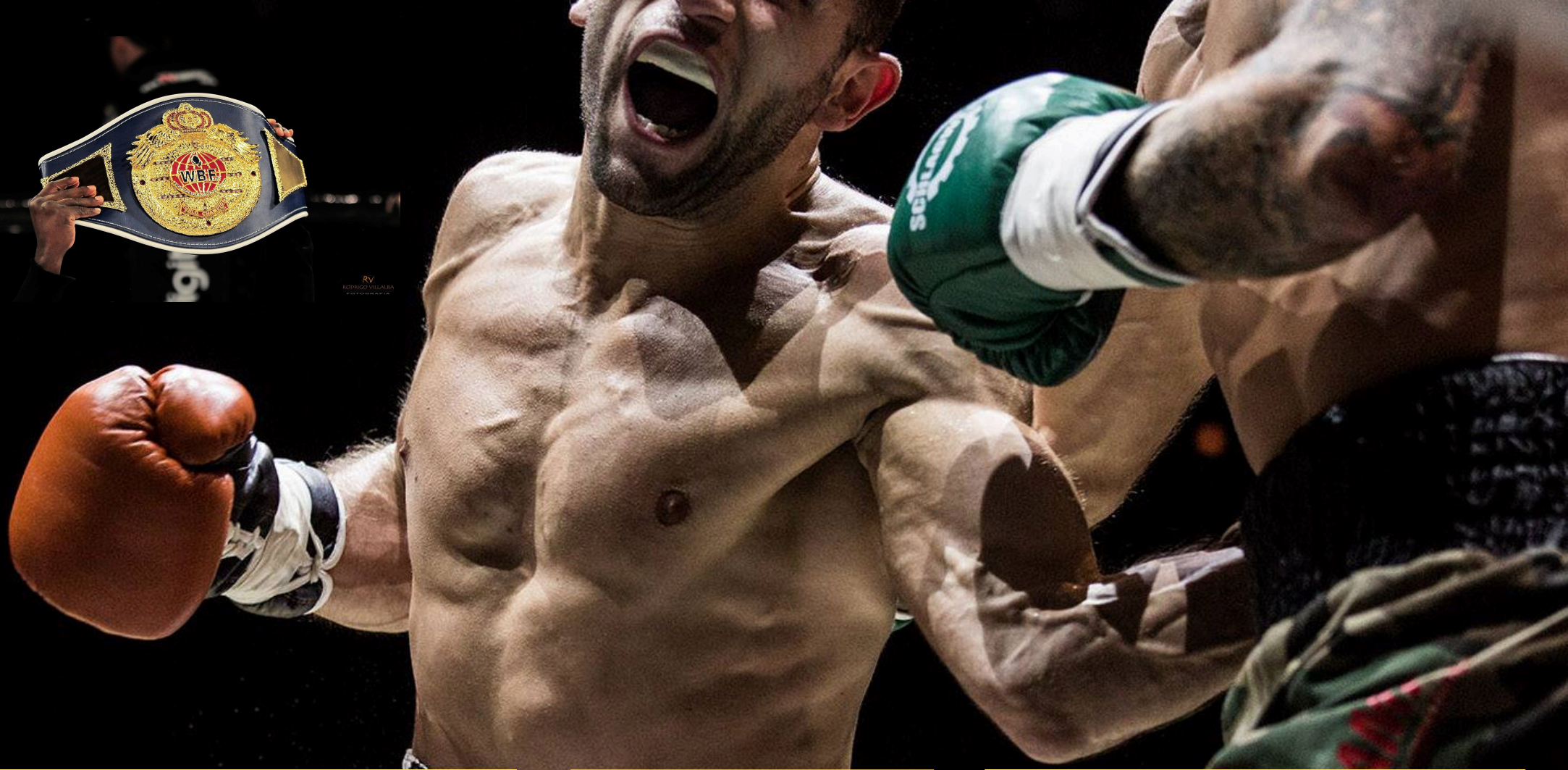
2010 – Jean Marcel Nartz (Germany)

2014 – Torben Seemann Hansen (Denmark)

### WBF Honory Presidents

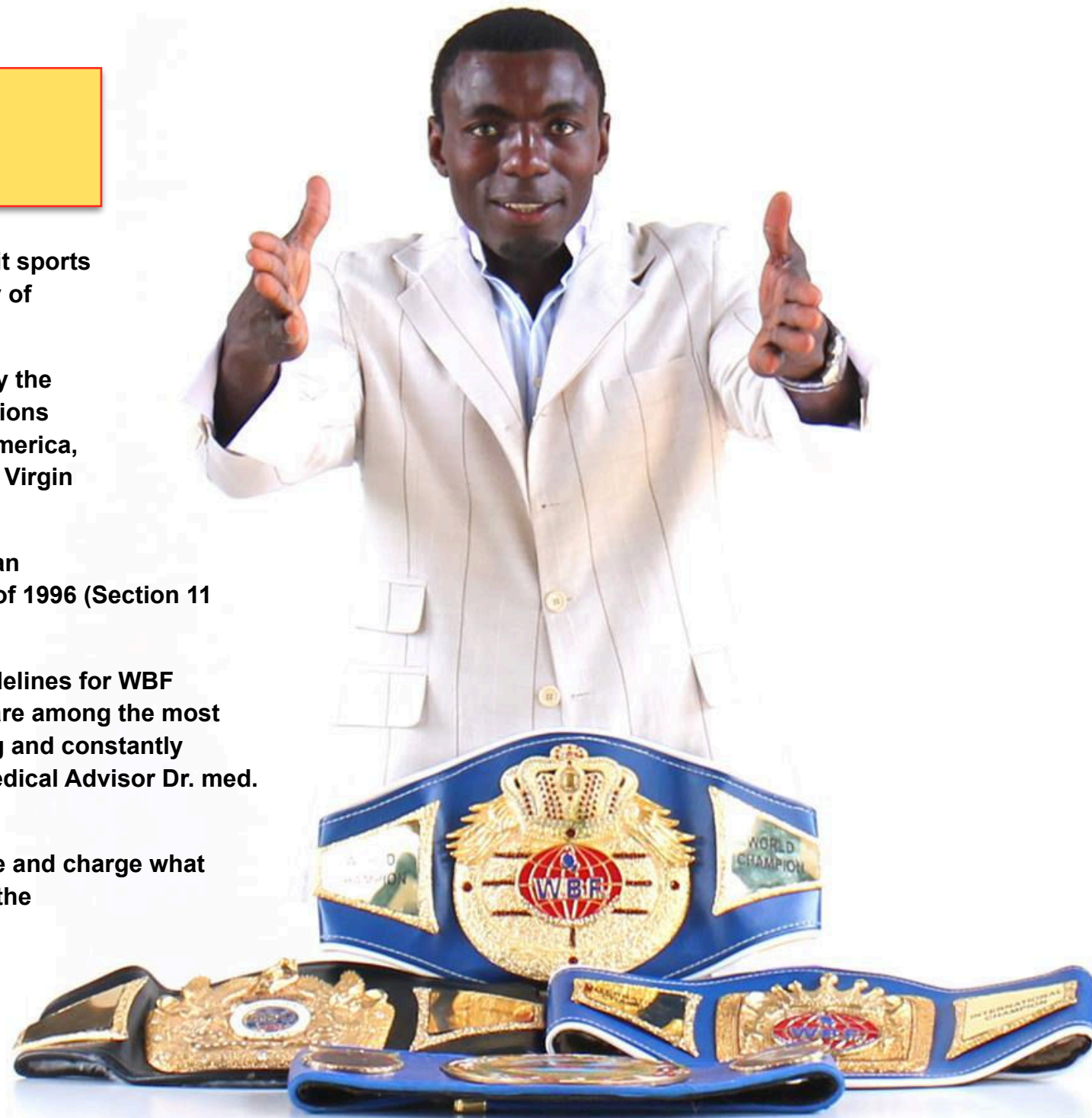
2009 – 2013 Ylli Ndroqi (Albania)

2014 – Dr. Mathews Phosa (South Africa)



## WE ARE ...

- Legally registered as a non-profit sports organization in the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg.
- Registered with and approved by the Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC) for the United States of America, Canada, Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands.
- Fully compliant with the American Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 (Section 11 (d)).
- Promoting General Medical Guidelines for WBF Championship Contests which are among the most advanced in professional boxing and constantly reviewed and updated by our Medical Advisor Dr. med. Adam Balogh of Germany.
- Keeping our fee structure simple and charge what ranks among the lowest fees of the world's leading sanctioning organizations.



## AND WE ARE ...

- As a matter of principle declining to create ever-new and utterly meaningless titles such as »Silver«, »Diamond«, »Youth«, »Super«, etc., which clearly devalue professional boxing.
- Declining to manipulate ratings to suit certain promoter's needs or justify our actions.
- Not accepting anything else than economy travels for our officials, regardless of position or importance of the event.
- Registered as a trademark by the Patent and Trademark Office of Germany.



# STATISTICS



**The World Boxing Federation – an organization in demand and on the rise!**

Since its re-establishment towards the end of 2009, the **World Boxing Federation** has been one of the most busiest and often-used organizations. This activity is especially impressive considering that the **WBF** has rejected the creation of a multitude of meaningless titles and relies solely on world championships, Intercontinental championships and International championships, plus some strictly regional titles.

By limiting ourselves to those few titles, choosing quality over quantity, it is certainly an achievement to have sanctioned **WBF** championship contests in every continent of the world, bar Antarctica. The countries (in alphabetical order) to play host to **WBF** events so far (since 2009) are:

Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, China, Colombia, Czechia, England, France, French Polynesia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Luxembourg, Mexico, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Philippines, Poland, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Switzerland, Tanzania, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, USA, Zambia

This list indicates that the **WBF** is both active in traditional boxing “hotbeds” as well as trying to further the sport in countries which do not yet have a proven infrastructure for professional boxing.

Conclusion: In a very short period of time, the **World Boxing Federation** has indeed become a truly global organization! This positive trend of the **WBF**’s refreshing development since its reestablishment is also reflected in the number of championship bouts each and every year.



# PHILOSOPHY

## The Fewer Titles, The More They Are Worth!

Ever wondered why new “titles” in boxing are introduced seemingly each and every month? Silver this-and-that, Super World Champions, Youth titles – as if anyone really believes that grown-up adults up to 24 years of age can be considered “Youth” – Diamond Champions, Champions of the Decade, etc., etc. – the crazier the idea, the more likely it is to become reality. The simple answer is: To make money by fooling fans, promoters, fighters, media and everybody else involved!

The **WBF** does not subscribe to the view that everyone in the game or interested in boxing buys into this farce! The **WBF** is the proof that quality can be delivered without squeezing the last possible Dollar out of the sport! Therefore, the **WBF** policy is simple: Strictly regional titles (for males only), International titles, Intercontinental titles and World titles – period, end of the story, end of the confusion.

If a promoter wants to delude the fans and the public and do one of those fantasy titles or if a boxer thinks they are worth anything – look to those organization who offer such fake “titles”, please.



## PHILOSOPHY

**A President's A President – Not A Majesty!**

Ever been asked to pay a business-class or even a first-class flight for an administrator of a boxing organization? Or a hotel suite for a president? Or make a “donation” in order to keep yourself or your fighter in “good standing”?

Yes, we know this is going on. But this is NOT what the **WBF** wants to be part of. Everyone on the **WBF** staff, including the president, as a matter of principle travels economy class, regardless of the distance. We don't expect anything more and do not waste anyone's money on luxury travels or luxury hotel arrangements.

Anyone who does and still dares to proclaim himself a servant of boxing, is simply lying.





## PHILOSOPHY

### Champions & Ratings

Tired of going to conventions having to lobby for ratings? And getting “outlobbied” although your fighter may actually be better? And as a fan, aren’t you just laughing when seeing manipulated ratings, trying to tell you a fighter is, say, # 6 when in reality he is more likely to be # 60? And maybe he got that spot on the strength of winning a silly fantasy title, which otherwise no one would care to fight for?

Well, if you think that laws in the United States have stopped the ratings manipulation, open your eyes! The ratings business is as dirty as it has ever been. The **WBF** knows that fans, promoters and media are not stupid: The internet clearly reveals where a certain fighter stands. Therefore, we are abiding by unbiased computer ratings exclusively.

No, we are not claiming that we have the best matches (yet), but we prefer to say that fighter X is # 42 and contesting our world title, rather than accommodate the farce and “make” him # 3 in another meaningless set of world ratings. We tell it like it is!



# PHILOSOPHY

Keeping Fees Simple And Low... And Hand's Out Of Promoter's Wallets!

Annual Promoters Licence Fee, Promoter Sanction Fee, Champions Fee, Challengers Fee, percentages from purses, contributions to funds, this fee and that fee...

Why does the fee structure need to be as complicated as a tax return form? Are you forced to smile and pretend to appreciate being pick pocketed by those whose creativity in thinking up new fees to charge is only matched by their creativity in dreaming up meaningless titles?

**STOP!** says the **WBF!** Keep the fees low and keep them simple! With the **WBF**, things are easy: The promoter pays a flat Sanction Fee for the usage of the title and the **WBF** name, a belt fee (at cost price!) and the officials. That's it, period. And our fees are not just among the lowest in the sport, but the **WBF** has also communicated sponsors to numerous promoters in economically difficult areas in order to allow them participation in championship boxing.



# WBF CHAMPIONSHIP BELTS

We are aware that boxers consider their championship belts prized possessions and want to later hand them down to their children or grandchildren, therefore, the **WBF** has produced a great set of belts in cooperation with long-time partner Masis Boxing Belts of New Jersey, USA, which assures top quality and prestigious, esthetic appeal.

Masis Boxing Belts are made in-house from start to finish: The designing, casting, polishing, Leathering, gold plating, etching, diamond setting – nothing is outsourced and this approach does not only guarantee absolute quality control, but also keeps the costs down, something the **WBF** is proud about. It is not necessary to charge incredible prices for championship belts to promoters – unless an organization wants to make profits off their belts. The **WBF** does not subscribe to this! Therefore, our trademark blue-leathered championship trophies – presented in association with our boxing equipment partner **TOP TEN** – are probably not just among the best and most recognizable in the business, but also a whole lot less expensive than other belts.



Inter-Continental  
Champion Belt

International  
Champion Belt



Regional  
Champion  
Belt





**WBF WORLD TITLE BELT**

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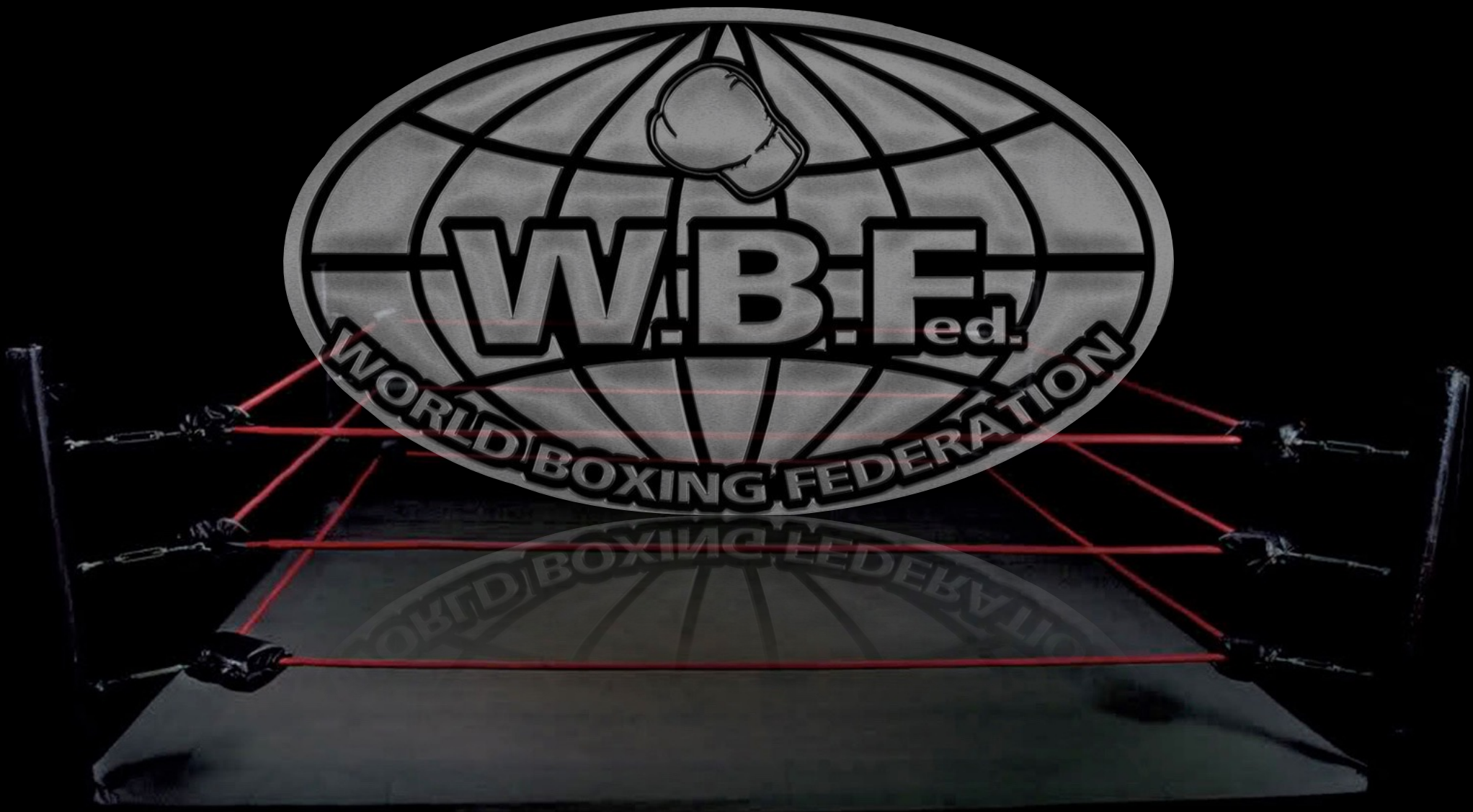
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