



Invitation to Special Olympics Judo Open Sarajevo 2026

SOEE & IJF

**Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
from Wednesday 23 to Saturday 26 of September 2026**

Special Olympics Europe Eurasia (SOEE), in cooperation with the International Judo Federation (IJF), invites Special Olympics Switzerland to participate in the Special Olympics Judo Open Sarajevo 2026.

For the first time, athletes with intellectual disabilities will compete as part of an IJF event framework, integrated between the IJF World Championships Kata Sarajevo 2026 and the IJF World Championships Veterans Sarajevo 2026.

Venue	Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina
Organizer	SOEE & IJF
Languages	English
Participants	The Quota for SOSWI will be allocated later. Participants must be at least 15 years old at the time of the event. Competitions will be held for the first time international across all levels (Levels 1–5).
Selection conditions	The selection is made according to the SOSWI guidelines by the Sports Director and the Technical Coordinator. Athletes and Coaches are expected to have gained competition experience at Special Olympics Switzerland events prior to participation.
Additional Information	Insurance: → Covered by participants Costs: → Travel costs to Sarajevo, accommodation and food must be covered by participants Support SOSWI: → Basic equipment (e.g. T-shirt or Poloshirt) → Administrative support Delegations are expected to stay in the official event hotel, which will also host participants of the IJF Championships.
Request	Interested persons have to submit a request per email to: sport@specialolympics.ch

	<p>Information required for pre-registration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Full name of athlete/coach• Date of birth• Gender• Category & Level (Shiai, Nage no Kata, Unified Nage no Kata) <p>Deadline: February 25th 2026</p> <p>The confirmation for the participation can be given only after the Organizing Committee has confirmed the slot for SO Switzerland.</p>
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