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Dear Friends,

Athletes from all over the world gather in Tokyo for the Games of the XXXII Olympiad. For 17 days, people around the globe will follow with excitement the peaceful meeting of athletes united under the Olympic flag in their unwavering commitment to the Olympic values.

The world has overcome a lot of hardships before the beginning of these Games. Tokyo, which will undoubtedly be inundated with sports talent, ambition and Olympic aspirations, will welcome the Bulgarian Olympic athletes as well. They have been preparing for 5 years assiduously as have all the other athletes for the forthcoming encounters of the best.

The Bulgarian Olympic delegation is a team-spirited command of experienced winners and talented young champions. Whatever their goals, chances for success, or dreams for victory are, I would like to wish them all good luck and great achievements in Tokyo. May the Bulgarian robust culture, our time-honoured traditions, and the incredible support of the whole nation be with them. I am convinced all this will help them achieve the maximum possible results in the Olympic arenas. So that yet again we shall hear the Bulgarian anthem and see the national flag waving the highest.

I want to extend my address to all Bulgarians. Support our Olympic athletes! Give this powerful impetus for the success and good performance of our entire delegation. Let us all unite and be there for our athletes, because they need strong support, courage and faith.

I sincerely wish good days for the participants and organizers during the Olympic Games.

May you win numerous victories in Tokyo, dear Bulgarian athletes, and attain Olympic glory!

Good luck!

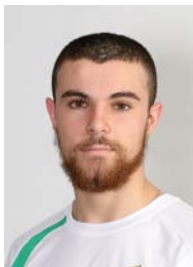
Stefka Kostadinova
President
Bulgarian Olympic Committee



Artistic Gymnastics



BG Team



David HUDDLESTON

All-Around Men

Born: 09 August 2000 in Haga, Netherlands

Occupation: athlete

Education: secondary

Club: Eli-Gash - Sofia

Coach: Milko Tankushev (national), Damyan Ignatov (personal)

Career start: 2004

Hobby: making video, cars, spending time with friends

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Bronze at Floor Exercise at Youth Olympic European Festival in Győr 2017

World Cup medalist at Parallel Bars and Vault in 2019

3 finals at European Youth Championships in Sofia 2014



**Damyan
IGNATOV**

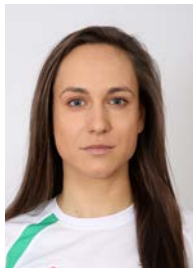
Coach



Athletics



BG Team



Inna EFTIMOVA

100 m and 200 m Women

Born: 19 June 1988 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: Bachelor degree in Graphic Design in Sofia New Bulgarian University

Club: Dunav - Ruse

Coach: Valya Demireva

Career starts: 2000

Hobby: drawing

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Olympic participant 100 m and 200 m – Beijing 2008

Silver at European Junior U20 Championships (U20) in 100 m and bronze in 200 m

21 times Bulgarian champion – 60 m (indoor), 100 m, 200 m



Ivet LALOVA-COLLIO

200 m Women

Born: 18 May 1984 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: International Relations
at Blagoevgrad South-West University

Club: Ivet Lalova Sprint Academy - Sofia

Coach: Roberto Bonomi

Career start: 1995

Hobby: reading, writing and music

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Olympic Games finalist 100 m – Athens 2004 – 4th place, 200 m – Athens 2004 – 5th place, Rio 2016 – 8th place, semifinal 100 m – Beijing 2008, London 2012 and Rio 2016, 200 m – London 2012, quarterfinal 200 m – Beijing 2008

World Championships finalist 100 m – Daegu 2011, 200 m – Beijing 2015

World Indoor Championships finalist 60 m – Istanbul 2012

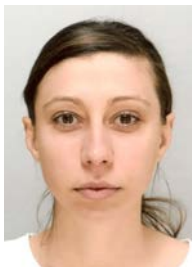
Gold in 100 m at European Champion in Helsinki 2012

Gold in 200 m at European Indoor Champion in Madrid 2005

Bronze in 60 m at European Indoor Championships in Goteborg 2013

Gold in 100 m and 200 m at European Junior Championships in Tampere 2003

Bulgarian national record holder in 100 m



Mirela DEMIREVA

High Jump Women

Born: 28 September 1989 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: Bachelor degree in Political Science at New Bulgarian University in Sofia

Club: Beroe – Stara Zagora

Coach: Marinus Marcus Jacobus van Leeuwen

Career starts: 1997

Hobby: reading books

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver 2016 Olympic Games in Rio

9th place at World Championships finalist in Beijing 2015

7th place at World Indoor Championships in Birmingham 2018

Silver at European Championships in Amsterdam 2016

Silver at European Championships in Berlin 2018 with PB 200 cm

Silver at World Junior Championships in Bydgoszcz 2008

Bronze at European Junior Championships in Hengelo 2007



Gabriela PETROVA

Triple Jump Women

Born: 29 June 1992 in Haskovo

Occupation: athlete

Education: Bachelor degree in Social Pedagogy at Plovdiv University

Club: Lokomotiv - Plovdiv

Coach: Atanas Zaprianov Atanasov

Career starts: 2004

Hobby: books, music, movies

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European U23 Championships in Tampere 2013

Silver at European Indoor Championships in Prague 2015

4th place at World Championships in Beijing 2015



Tihomir IVANOV

High Jump Men

Born: 11 July in Pleven

Occupation: athlete

Education: Sport college education

Club: Beroe – Stara Zagora

Coach: Georgi Getov

Career starts: 2006

Hobby: fishing, hiking, computers

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Olympic Games finalist – Rio 2016

Gold at World University Games in Napoli 2019



**Marinus Marcus
Jacobus van LEEUWEN**

Coach



**Atanas Zapryanov
ATANASOV**

Coach



**Georgi
GETOV**
Coach



**Valya
DEMIREVA**
Coach



Badminton



BG Team





Stefani STOEVA

Doubles Women

Born: 23 September 1995 in Galabovo

Occupation: athlete

Education: Sport School of Haskovo

Club: Issy les Moulineaux

Coach: Mihail Popov

Career start: 2004

Hobby: watching Korean series, tennis, going out with friends, listening to music

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold 2021 European
Championships in Kiev

Gold 2018 European
Championships in Spain

9th place 2016 Rio Olympics

European Junior Champion U17
WS in Portugal 2011

Two times European champion
WS/WD in Turkey 2013

Winner of Spanish international
2014 WD

Winner of Scottish open Grand Prix
2014 WD

Runner up at Brazil open Grand Prix
2014 WD

Gold Women Doubles 2015 European
Games in Baku

Gold 2016 European Club
Championships in Tours (France)

Runner up Yonex French open 2019

Semi-Finalists China open 2019

Quarter final All England open 2019

Semi finalist Denmark open 2020

Winner of Saarlux open 2020, 2019



Gabriela STOEVA

Doubles Women

Born: 15 July 1994 in Haskovo

Occupation: athlete

Education: Sport School of Haskovo

Club: Issy les Moulineaux

Coach: Mihail Popov

Career start: 2004

Hobby: going out with friends, drawing and listening to music

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold 2021 European
Championships in Kiev

Gold 2018 European
Championships in Spain

9th place 2016 Rio Olympics

European Junior Champion U19
WD in Turkey 2013

Winner of Spanish International
2014 WD

Winner of Scottish Open Grand Prix
2014 WD

Runner up at Brazil open Grand Prix
2014 WD

Quarter finalist at the European
championship 2014 WD

Winner of French International

Gold Women Doubles 2015 European
Games in Baku

Gold 2016 European Club
Championships in Tours (France)

Runner up Yonex French open 2019

Semi-Finalists China open 2019

Quarter final All England open 2019

Semi finalist Denmark open 2020

Winner of Saarlorlux open 2020, 2019



Linda ZETCHIRI

Singles Women

Born: 27 July 1987 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: Greve Gymnasium - Management

Club: BC Olympica - Brig

Coach: Djema Zetchiri

Career start: 2005

Hobby: music, singing, playing guitar, other sports, languages, psychology, philosophy

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Bronze at European Championships in Sweden 2012

Silver at European Team Championships in Kazan 2016

5th place at European Games in Baku 2015

9th place at Rio Olympics 2016



**Mihail
POPOV**

Coach



**Djema
ZETCHIRI**

Coach



Boxing



BG Team



Stoyka KRASTEVA

**Flyweight category (51 kg)
Women**

Born: 18 September 1985 in Dobrich

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy, Master's degree in sports management

Club: Lokomotiv - Sofia

Coach: Borislav Georgiev

Career start: 1999

Hobby: fishing

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Championships in Romania 2014 and in Bulgaria 2018

Silver at World Championships in Kazakhstan 2016 and in India 2018

Bronze at European Championships in Netherlands in 2011

5th place at 2012 London Olympics in Rio



Stanimira PETROVA

**Featherweight category (57 kg)
Women**

Born: 16 December 1990 in Asenovgrad

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy,
Master's degree in sports management

Club: Boxing club "Varna"

Coach: Petar Lesov

Career start: 2014

Hobby: drawing and singing

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at World Championships in Jeju, South Korea 2014

Gold at European Games in Minsk 2019

2 Gold medals at European Championships

Multiple times medalist from International Tournaments

Winner of Strandzha Cup



Daniel ASENOV

**Flyweight category (52 kg)
Men**

Born: 17 May 1997 in Yambol

Occupation: athlete

Club: Aprilets - Boyadzjik

Coach: Dimitar Mutafov

Career start: 2008

Hobby: fishing, going out with friends

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Championships in Samokov, Bulgaria 2015 and in Kharkiv, Ukraine 2017

Gold at European Youth Championships in Anapa, Russia 2013

3 Gold Medals at European Under 22 Boxing Championships

Silver at European Championships and European Games in Minsk 2019

Multiple times medalist from International Tournaments

Winner of Strandzha Cup 2017, 2019 and 2020



**Petar
LESOV**
Coach



**Borislav
GEORGIEV**
Coach



**Joel
SOLER ARRATE**
Coach



Canoe Sprint



BG Team



Staniliya STAMENOVA

C-1 200 m Canoe Single Women

Born: 02 June 1988 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy „Vasil Levski”

Club: Georgi Demirev - Ruse

Coach: Eva Pasheva

Career start: 2010

Hobby: sport

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at World Championships in Milano 2015

Silver at World Championships in Duisburg 2013 and Moscow 2014

Gold at European Championships in Zagreb 2012, Brandenburg 2014 and Rachice 2015

Silver at European Championships in Portugal 2013 and Moscow 2016



Judo



BG Team



Ivelina ILIEVA

Women 57 kg

Born: 16 August 1991 in Haskovo

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy Vasil Levski

Club: Shun Judo Club

Coach: Svilen Skerlev

Career start: 2000

Hobby: travel, books reading

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Open in Sofia 2015

Silver at European Championships 2016

Bronze at World Championships in Morocco 2010

3 times bronze at Grand Prix

6 medals at European Youth Championships

5th place at World Championships in Tokyo 2019



Yanislav GERCHEV

Men 60 kg

Born: 04 October 1989 in Plovdiv

Occupation: athlete

Education: Plovdiv University „Paisii Hilendarski”

Club: Arena Sport - Plovdiv

Coach: Atanas Gerchev

Career start: 2000

Hobby: crossfit

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Open Sofia 2014

Gold at European U23 Championships in Tumen 2011

Silver at European Senior Championships in Warsaw 2017

Silver at European Senior Championships in Tel Aviv 2018

Bronze at Grand Slam in Baku 2017

Bronze at Grand Slam in Morocco 2019

9th place at Olympic Games in Rio 2016

5th place at European Championships in Budapest 2013, Prague 2020 and Lisbon 2021

7th place at World Championships in Budapest 2021



Ivaylo IVANOV

Men 81 kg

Born: 20 July 1994 in Montana

Occupation: athlete

Education: Sport School General V. Stoichev,
Agricultural University Plovdiv

Club: SC Judo and Sambo CSKA

Coach: Atanas Gerchev

Career start: 2008

Hobby: spending time with my family

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at Grand Slam in Abu Dhabi 2015

Gold at European Open Cadets 2010

Gold at European U23 Championships in Sofia 2013

Gold at Grand Prix in Samsun 2016

Silver at European Championships and European Games in Minsk 2019

Silver at European Championships in Czech Republic 2020

Bronze at European Championships 2016

Bronze at Masters in Doha 2021

7th place at Rio Olympic Games 2016



**Atanas
GERCHEV**

Coach



**Svilen
SKERLEV**

Coach



Karate



BG Team



Ivet GORANOVA

**Kumite 55 kg
Women**

Born: 6 March 2000 in Pleven

Occupation: athlete

Education: Sports school „Georgi Benkovski” - Pleven

Club: KBI, Petromax

Coach: Angel Stefanov

Career start: 2010

Hobby: driving

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Games in Minsk 2019

Gold at Olympic Qualification in Paris 2021

Bronze at World Championship in Madrid 2018

Bronze at European Championship in Guadalajara 2019



Angel
STEFANOV
Coach



Rhythmic Gymnastics



BG Team



Boryana KALEYN

Individual All-Round Women

Born: 23 August 2000 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: Student in National Sports Academy “Vassil Levski”

Club: Levski Triaditsa

Coach: Mariyana Pamukova, Branimira Markova

Career start: 2006

Hobby: reading, painting, walks in the nature

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver medal, Team Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Silver medal, AA – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, Team Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Bronze medal, Ribbon Final – UEG European RG Championships 2019 in Baku,

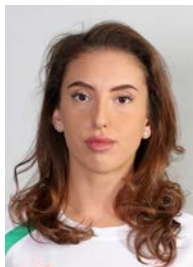
Azerbaijan

Bronze medal, Ball Final – UEG European RG Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Numerous medals from FIG RG World Cup Series Competitions

Numerous medals from FIG RG Challenge Cup Competitions

Numerous medals from FIG RG Grand Prix Tournaments



Katrin TASEVA

Individual All-Round Women

Born: 23 November 1997 in Samokov

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy “Vassil Levski”

Club: Levski Iliana

Coach: Silviya Stoyneva-Russeva, Branimir Markova

Career start: 2000

Hobby: boxing, tennis

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver medal, Team Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, Team Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Silver medal, Ribbon Final – UEG European RG Championships 2017 in Budapest, Hungary

Silver medal, Ball Final – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

Bronze medal, Ribbon Final – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

Numerous medals from FIG RG World Cup Series Competitions

Numerous medals from FIG RG Challenge Cup Competitions

Numerous medals from FIG RG Grand Prix Tournaments



Simona DYANKOVA

Group Competition Women

Born: 07 December 1994 in Varna

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy “Vassil Levski”

Club: Char DSK

Coach: Filipa Filipova, Vesela Dimitrova

Career start: 2000

Hobby: photography, travelling, dancing

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2017 in Pesaro, Italy

Bronze medal, Balls and Ropes Final – FIG RG World Championships 2017 in Pesaro, Italy

Silver medal, Team Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Gold medal, Hoops Final – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Silver medal, Balls Final – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Bronze medal, AA Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Bronze medal, Team Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls and Ropes Final – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, AA Competition – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

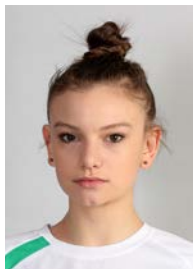
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Bronze medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

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Numerous medals from FIG RG Grand Prix Tournaments



Laura TRAETS

Group Competition Women

Born: 13 December 1998 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy “Vassil Levski”

Club: Levski Triaditsa

Coach: Miroslava Bataklieva, Vesela Dimitrova

Career start: 2002

Hobby: reading, spending time with friends

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2017 in Pesaro, Italy

Bronze medal, Balls and Ropes Final – FIG RG World Championships 2017 in Pesaro, Italy

Silver medal, Team Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Gold medal, Hoops Final – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Silver medal, Balls Final – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Bronze medal, AA Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Bronze medal, Team Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls and Ropes Final – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, AA Competition – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

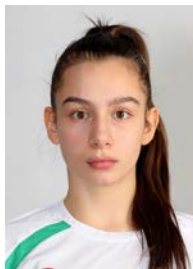
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Numerous medals from FIG RG Grand Prix Tournaments



Madlen RADUKANOVA

Group Competition Women

Born: 14 May 2000 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: Student in National Sports Academy
"Vassil Levski"

Club: Triaditsa

Coach: Maria Kancheva, Vesela Dimitrova

Career start: 2005

Hobby: watching TV series

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2017 in Pesaro, Italy

Bronze medal, Balls and Ropes Final – FIG RG World Championships 2017 in Pesaro, Italy

Silver medal, Team Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Gold medal, Hoops Final – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Silver medal, Balls Final – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Bronze medal, AA Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Bronze medal, Team Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls and Ropes Final – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, AA Competition – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

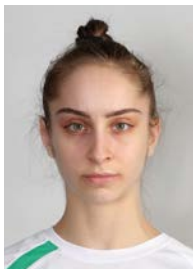
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Numerous medals from FIG RG Grand Prix Tournaments



Stefani KIRYAKOVA

Group Competition Women

Born: 05 January 2001 in Burgas

Occupation: athlete

Education: Student in National Sports Academy „Vassil Levski”

Club: Levski Iliana

Coach: Vesela Dimitrova

Career start: 2006

Hobby: reading

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver medal, Team Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Gold medal, Hoops Final – FIG RG World Championships 2018 in Sofia, Bulgaria

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Silver medal, Balls Final – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Bronze medal, AA Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Bronze medal, Team Competition – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls and Ropes Final – UEG European RG Championships 2018 in Guadalajara, Spain

Gold medal, Balls Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, AA Competition – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

Silver medal, Balls Final – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

Bronze medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

Numerous medals from FIG RG World Cup Series Competitions

Numerous medals from FIG RG Challenge Cup Competitions

Numerous medals from FIG RG Grand Prix Tournaments



Erika ZAFIROVA

Group Competition Women

Born: 07 May 1999 in Kyustendil

Occupation: athlete

Education: Student in National Sports Academy “Vassil Levski”

Club: Levski Iliana

Coach: Bella Markova, Vesela Dimitrova

Career start: 2006

Hobby: taking walks

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Bronze medal, AA Competition – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Silver medal, Balls Final – FIG RG World Championships 2019 in Baku, Azerbaijan

Gold medal, Balls Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, Hoops and Clubs Final – EG European RG Championships 2021 in Varna, Bulgaria

Silver medal, AA Competition – European Games 2019 in Minsk, Belarus

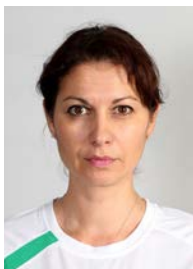
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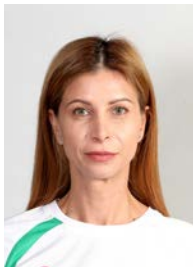
**Iliana
SIRA KOVA**
Team Leader



**Branimira
MARKOVA**
Coach



**Mariyana
PAMUKOVA**
Coach



**Vesela
DIMITROVA**

Coach



**Mihaela
MAEVSKA**

Coach



Shooting



BG Team



Antoaneta KOSTADINOVA

**10 m Air Pistol, 25 m Sport Pistol
Women**

Born: 17 January 1986 in Targovishte

Occupation: athlete

Education: The Shumen University “Episkop Konstantin Preslavski”

Club: Shooting club Svetkavitsa

Coach: Hristo Hristov

Career start: 2004

Hobby: song, listening to music, sports fitness

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at 25m Pistol 2016 World Cup in Baku

Gold at 10 m Air Pistol 2015 World Cup in Munchen

Gold at 10 m Air Pistol 2014 and 2015 World Cup in Fort Benning

Gold at 10 m Air Pistol 2021 World Cup in Osijek

Silver at 10 m Air Pistol 2016 European Championships in Goer

Silver at 25m Pistol 2015 European Games in Baku

Silver at 10 m Air Pistol 2015 European Championships in Arnhem

Bronze at 10 m Air Pistol and Bronze 25m Pistol 2019 European Games in Minsk

8th place at 25m Pistol 2016 Olympic Games in Rio



Maria GROZDEVA

**10 m Air Pistol, 25 m Sport Pistol
Women**

Born: 23 June 1972 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sport Academy "Vasil Levski"

Club: Levski-Sofarma

Coach: Valeri Grigorov

Career start: 1983

Hobby: fitness

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Olympic Champion Sidney 2000 and Athens 2004

Olympic bronze Barcelona 1992, Atlanta 1996 and Athens 2004

5th place Beijing 2008 Olympics and 9th place London 2012 Olympics

11th times European champion and 8th times runner-up

18 victories, 17 times runner-up and 7 times third in World Cup tournaments

Silver and bronze at World Championships Team events

She won 5 medals (two gold and 3 bronze) in her 6 Olympic participations

In 2004 Grozdeva was voted Athlete of the Year in Bulgaria

Won totally 88 medals in her 38 years of competitions

She is the only woman to have successfully defended 25 m pistol Olympic title

Grozdeva is President of Bulgarian Shooting Union

She is the only Bulgarian with five Olympic medals

The first ever Bulgarian athlete to compete at 7 Olympic Games



Selin ALI

Trap Women Individual

Born: 14 February 2002 in Aytos

Occupation: athlete

Education: secondary

Club: ESK Via - Pleven

Coach: Niyazi Mehmed

Career start: 2015

Hobby: hunting, swing

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at World Junior Championships 2019 in Lomato, Italy, individual

Silver at World Cup 2019 in Lahti, mixed event

Bronze at World Junior Championships 2019 in Lomato, Italy mixed event

Bronze at World Junior Cup 2018 in Zul, Germany, individual



**Hristo
HRISTOV**

Coach



**Valeri
GRIGOROV**

Coach



**Niyazi
MEHMED**

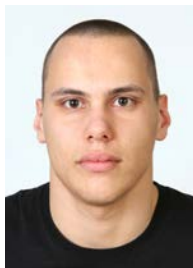
Coach



Swimming



BG Team



Antani IVANOV

**100 m and 200 m Butterfly
Men**

Born: 17 July 1999 in Veliko Tarnovo

Occupation: athlete

Education: Virginia Tech University student, United States

Club: Chernomorec - Varna

Coach: Sergio Lopes (USA) and Anthon Ivanov (Bul)

Career start: 2007

Hobby: football

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver at World Junior Championships 2017 in Indianapolis at 200 m Butterfly

Bronze at European Championships 2016 in Hungary at 200 m Butterfly

6th place at World Junior Championships in Singapore at 200 m Butterfly

8th place at World Men Championships in Budapest 2017 at 200 m Butterfly

9th place at World Men Championships in Guangzhou 2019 at 200 m Butterfly

8th place at European Championships in Glasgow 2018 at 200m Butterfly

4th place at European Championships in Budapest 2021 at 200m Butterfly

8th place at World Championships 25m Pool in Hangzhou at 200m Butterfly

Gold at Multinational and at Balkan Games

National record holder



Josif MILADINOV

100 m Butterfly Men

Born: 23 June 2003 in Plovdiv

Occupation: athlete

Education: Sport School “Vasil Levski” Plovdiv

Club: Mladost’91 - Plovdiv

Coach: Stefan Georgiev, Kristian Minkovski

Career start: 2009

Hobby: football, movies

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Bronze at World Junior Championships 2019 in Budapest at 50 m Butterfly

Silver at European Junior Championships 2019 in Kazan at 100 m Butterfly,
6th place at 50 m Butterfly and 7th place at 4x100 Medley Relay

Silver at European Men Championships 2021 in Budapest at 100 m Butterfly

Gold at Multinational Games, at German and at Swiss National Championships

National record holder



Kaloyan LEVTEROV

200 m Backstroke

Born: 8 February 2003 in Sofia

Occupation: athlete

Education: 96th Secondary School “Lev Tolstoy”

Club: Slavia

Coach: Zhorzh Stankovich, Kristian Minkovski

Career start: 2009

Hobby: music, skiing, tourism

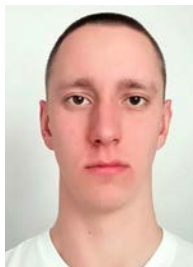
ACHIEVEMENTS:

7th place at European Junior Championships in Kazan 2019 at 100 m Backstroke and 13th place at 200 m Backstroke

15th place at European Men Championships in Budapest 2021 at 4x100 m Medley Relay and 26th place at 200 m Backstroke

Gold at Multinational Games

National record holder



Lyubomir EPITROPOV

**200 m Breaststroke
Men**

Born: 27 April 1999 in Veliko Tarnovo

Occupation: athlete

Education: The University of Tennessee

Club: Vihren - Sandanski

Coach: Nikolay Vakareev

Career start: 2009

Hobby: music, F1, walking

ACHIEVEMENTS:

25th place at World Men Championships in Guangzhou 2019 at 200 m Breaststroke

13th place at European Men Championships in Budapest 2021 at 200 m Breaststroke and 15th at 4x100 m Medley Relay

National record holder



Diana PETKOVA

200 m Individual Medley Women

Born: 10 June 2000 in Plovdiv

Occupation: athlete

Education: The University of Alabama

Club: Sprint - Plovdiv

Coach: Botko Trendafilov

Career start: 2010

Hobby: fashion, reading books, movies

ACHIEVEMENTS:

14th place at World Junior Championships in Indianapolis 2017 at 50 m Freestyle

6th place at European Championships in Netanya, Israel 2017 at 50 m Freestyle

9th place at European Women Championships in Budapest 2021 at 200 m Individual Medley

6th place at Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Ayres 2018 at 50 m Freestyle and 13th place at 100 m Freestyle

Gold at Multinational Games

National record holder and champion



**Nikolay
VAKAREEV**

Coach



**Kristian
MINKOVSKI**

Coach



Table Tennis



BG Team



Polina TRIFONOVA

Women Singles

Born: 24 January 1992 in Kubrat

Occupation: athlete

Education: Donetsk National University, faculty of foreign languages (translator, languages English and German)

Club: ESV Weil am Rhein - Germany

Coach: Asen Asenov

Career start: 2001 (she was 9 years old when her family has moved to Ukraine where she started to practice table tennis. Until 22 years old she was playing for Ukrainian National Team. In 2019 she started to play for Bulgaria)

Hobby: reading books, studying new languages

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Cadet Team Championships 2006

Gold at European Junior Team Championship 2008

2 times Ukrainian Singles National Champion

4 time Bulgarian Singles National Champion



**Asen
ASENOV**
Coach



Weightlifting



BG Team



Bozhidar ANDREEV

73 kg Men

Born: 17 May 1997 in Topolchane

Occupation: athlete

Education: secondary

Club: Hristo Bachvarov - Sliven

Coach: Plamen Bratoychev

Career start: 2009

Hobby: going out with friends

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Men Championships in Batumi 2019

Gold at Olympic Youth Games in Nanjing, China 2014

Gold at European U23 Championships in Zamosc, Poland 2018 and in Bucurest 2019

Gold at Olympic Qualification in Gasiantepe 2019

Gold at World Cup in Malta 2020

Bronze at World Men Championships in Pataya 2019



Hristo HRISTOV

109 kg Men

Born: 27 April 2001 in Varna

Occupation: athlete

Education: secondary

Club: Titan - Varna

Coach: Zhivko Nikolov

Career start: 2013

Hobby: going out with friends

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at World Junior Championships in Tashkent 2021

Gold at World U17 Championships in Thailand 2017

Gold at European U20 Championships in Bucurest 2019

Gold at European U17 Championships in Prishtina 2017 and in Milano 2018

Gold at European U15 in Poland 2016

Gold at World Cup in Malta 2020

Silver at Olympic Youth Games in Buenos Aires 2018

Silver at European Men Championships in Moscow 2021

Silver at World Cup Olympic Qualification in Qatar 2019

Bronze in Snatch at World Junior Championships in Fiji 2019



Ivan IVANOV
Coach



Wrestling



BG Team



Georgi VANGELOV

57 kg Free style
Men

Born: 29 July 1993 in Radnevo

Education: NSA

Club: Yunak Lokomotiv - Ruse

Coach: Valentin Angelov

Career start: 2008

Hobbies: reading books, watching movies

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Holder of the Dan Kolov Belt for 2019

Bronze at European Championship 2016 in Riga (Latvia), 57 kg

Silver at European U23 Championship in Walbrzych (Poland), 57 kg



Aik MNATSAKANIAN

77 kg Greco-Roman Style
Men

Born: 14 October 1995 in Akhalkalaki, Georgia

Education: GBPOU KFKS Sparta, Moscow

Club: Minyor - Pernik

Coach: Armen Nazaryan

Career start: 2004

Hobby: wrestling

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at Olympic qualification tournament 2021 in Sofia, 77 kg

Bronze at European Championship 2019 in Bucharest (Romania), 72 kg

Bronze at World Championship 2019 in Nur-Sultan (Kazakhstan), 72 kg

Bronze at World Championship 2018 in Budapest (Hungary), 72 kg



Kiril MILOV

**97 kg Greco-roman style
Men**

Born: 27 January 1997 in Dupnica

Education: SOU 166 Vasil Levski

Club: Botev 93 - Vratsa

Coach: Armen Nazaryan

Career start: 2007

Hobby: wrestling

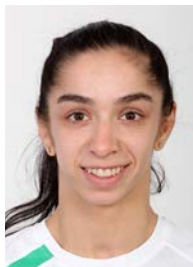
ACHIEVEMENTS:

Silver at Olympic Qualification tournament 2021 in Budapest (Hungary), 97 kg

Silver at European Championship 2019 in Bucharest (Romania), 97 kg

Silver at World Championship 2018 in Budapest (Hungary), 97 kg

Gold at European Cadet Championship 2014 in Samokov, 85 kg



Miglena SELISHKA

**50kg Freestyle
Women**

Born: 13 February 1996 in Dupnitsa

Occupation: athlete

Education: South-West University "Neofit Rilski"

Club: Levski - Sofia

Coach: Petar Kasabov

Career start: 2008

Hobby: wrestling

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at European Championship 2020 in Rome (Italy), 50 kg

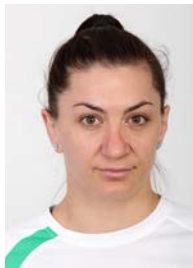
Bronze at European Olympic Games 2019 in Minsk (Belarus), 50 kg

Silver at European Championship 2019 in Bucharest (Romania), 50 kg

Bronze at European U23 Championship in Novi Sad (Serbia), 50 kg

Bronze at European U23 Championship in Szombathely (Hungary), 48 kg

Three-times European Junior champion (2013, 2014, 2015)



Evelina NIKOLOVA

**57kg Freestyle
Women**

Born: 18 January 1993 in Petrich

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy "Vasil Levski"

Club: Angel Gochev - Sozopol

Coach: Miroslav Gochev

Career start: 2005

Hobby: wrestling

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at Olympic qualification tournament 2021 in Budapest (Hungary), 57 kg

Bronze at European Championship 2021 in Warsaw (Poland), 57 kg

Silver at European Championship 2019 in Bucharest (Romania), 55 kg

Bronze at World Championship 2015 in Las Vegas (USA), 55 kg

Bronze at European Olympic Games 2015 in Baku, 55 kg



Taybe YUSEIN

62kg Freestyle Women

Born: 04 May 1991 in Kubrat

Occupation: athlete

Education: National Sports Academy "Vasil Levski"

Club: Levski - Sofia

Coach: Petar Kasabov

Career start: 2003

Hobby: wrestling

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Bronze at European Championship 2020 in Rome (Italy), 62 kg

Silver at European Championship 2019 in Nur-Sultan (Kazakhstan), 63 kg

Gold at European Championship 2019 in Bucharest (Romania), 63 kg

Gold at World Championship 2018 in Budapest (Hungary), 62 kg

Gold at European Championship 2018 in Kaspisk (Russia), 62 kg

Silver at European Championship 2017 in Novi Sad (Serbia), 63 kg

Bronze at World Championship 2015 in Las Vegas (USA), 63 kg

Bronze at European Olympic Games 2015 in Baku, 60 kg

Bronze at World Championship 2014 in Tashkent (Uzbekistan), 60 kg

Bronze at European Championship 2014 in Vantaa (Finland), 60 kg

Silver at World Championships 2013 in Budapest (Hungary), 59 kg

Silver at World Championship 2012 in Strathcona (Canada), 63 kg

Silver at European Championship 2011 in Dortmund (Germany), 63 kg

Silver at European Championship 2010 in Baku, 59 kg

13th place at Rio Olympic Games in 2016

Athlete No.1 of Bulgaria for 2018



Mimi HRISTOVA

**68kg Freestyle
Women**

Born: 19 July 1993 in Vratsa

Occupation: athlete

Education: South-West University "Neofit Rilski"

Club: Levski - Sofia

Coach: Petar Kasabov

Career start: 2000

Hobby: wrestling

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Gold at Olympic qualification tournament 2021 in Sofia, 65 kg

Gold at European Championship 2020 in Rome (Italy), 65 kg

Silver at European Olympic Games 2019 in Minsk (Belarus), 57 kg

Silver at European Championship 2018 in Caspian (Russia), 59 kg

Bronze at European Championship 2016 in Riga (Latvia), 58 kg

Silver at European U23 Championship in Walbrzych (Poland), 58 kg

Bronze at European Championship 2014 in Vantaa (Finland), 55 kg

Bronze at Cadets European Championships in 2009, Zrenjanin, 56 kg

Gold at Juniors European Championships 2012 in Zagreb, 59 kg

15th place at 2016 Rio Olympic Games



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Coach



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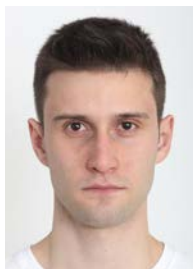
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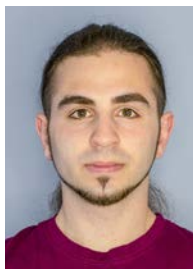
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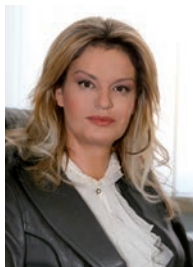


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