



PAPP CUP: TWO CONTINENTS, ONE SPORT, SHARED VALUES

The [European Boxing](#), the [Pan American Boxing Confederation](#) and the [Hungarian Boxing Association](#) are extremely proud to announce the creation of the Papp Cup Confederation Boxing Duel, the first edition of which will take place in Budapest, Hungary.

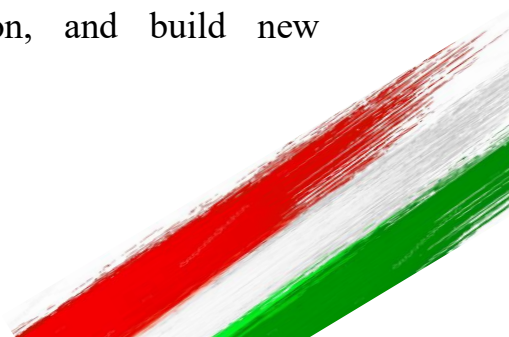
On 14 November 2026, Budapest will host a boxing event of historic significance. As a result of a collaboration between the Hungarian Boxing Federation, European Boxing, and the Pan American Boxing Confederation, the Papp Cup will be held for the first time, bringing together the best boxers from Europe and the Pan American continent to compete in a team tournament.

In the history of the sport, it is rare for the finest competitors from two continents to step into the ring not for individual ambitions, but for a shared team goal. The Papp Cup offers precisely this experience, bringing together the best of world amateur boxing to represent their continents as a single team for one evening. It is a transcontinental celebration of Olympic-style boxing.

The goal of the Papp Cup is to showcase the values of the sport to the widest possible audience and to provide fresh inspiration to young fans of boxing around the world.

This is more than just a competition: it is a bridge between two continents, which is why the event's significance extends far beyond the sporting results.

For many decades, Europe and the Americas have been major centers of Olympic boxing. Numerous Olympic and world champions, the most successful competitors, legendary coaches, and influential sports leaders have emerged from these two continents. Although competition is a natural part of sport, the boxing community has always been built on mutual respect and cooperation. The Papp Cup symbolizes this connection. The event provides an opportunity for athletes, coaches, referees, and sports leaders to celebrate boxing together, strengthen professional cooperation, and build new friendships across continents.



The Legacy of a Legend

The cup is named after László Papp, an icon not only in Hungary, but also throughout the world of boxing. He was the first boxer to win gold medals at three consecutive Olympic Games: London in 1948, Helsinki in 1952 and Melbourne in 1956. As well as winning three Olympic gold medals, he was a paragon of sportsmanship and human greatness, leaving an indelible mark on the history of world sports. His name symbolizes the values upon which the Papp Cup is built: excellence, respect and international friendship.

Budapest is once again at the center of the world of boxing

On 14 November 2026, the best boxers from Europe and the Americas will compete in the Papp Cup, a competition that showcases the power of boxing to connect cultures and nations. It sends a message to the world that sport has the power to connect cultures, nations and continents. Boxing still embodies the same timeless values that made it an Olympic sport, and it is the protection of these values that allows it to remain part of the Olympic family.

PBC Madame President Elise Seignolle's quote:

The Papp Cup represents the very best of Olympic-style boxing: excellence, respect, and international friendship. By bringing together the top athletes from Europe and Pan America, we are creating a unique platform that celebrates both high-level competition and the values that unite our sport.

The future of Olympic-style boxing depends on collaboration and shared purpose. We are proud to help launch a new tradition that will inspire athletes, strengthen international cooperation, and showcase the very best of Olympic-style boxing, and look forward to an unforgettable evening of boxing in Budapest.

EB President Lars Brovil's quote:

European Boxing as a newly established Confederation with full focus on developing the Olympic style Boxing are delighted to be a part of this new innovative project to promote the highest level of Elite Athletes within Olympic Boxing, in a close joint corporation between Confederations and its National Federation members, under the umbrella of World Boxing.

Looking forward seeing you in Budapest under the guidance of the Hungarian Boxing Association.

HBA President Istvan "Koko" Kovacs's quote:

"In recent years, the Hungarian capital has repeatedly proven itself to be one of the world's leading centers for international boxing. It has hosted countless continental and Elite World Championships and is home to one of the sport's oldest and most prestigious memorial tournaments. By hosting the first edition of Papp Cup, Budapest once again has the opportunity to shine the spotlight on Olympic-style boxing."

Two continents. One ring. Shared values. An unforgettable evening in Budapest celebrating Olympic-style boxing.

