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Attention to Media / Communications Department,

Fencing Singapore (FS) is pleased to announce that the appointment of all 3 National Weapon Coaches have been completed after much effort sourcing for the most suitable candidates available all around the world. On 1st Jan. 2017, the Epee and Sabre Coaches have started assuming their positions and our latest addition is the Foil Coach whom just joined us this week on 23rd Feb 2017.

SABRE National Coach

We are pleased to announce that FS will be welcoming our new National Weapon Coach for Sabre in Jan 2017. The coach will **Mr. Min Xinsheng**, current China National Head Coach for Men's Sabre.

Coach Min was China's National Coach & Head Coach for Men's Sabre before he and his wife migrated to Singapore with their only daughter back in 2004 for her academic pursuit. During the 9 years in Singapore, Min worked as the Sabre Head Coach at Z Fencing. In 2013, Min returned to China to take up once again the National Head Coach's position for Men's Sabre. During the past 3 years as China's Head Coach, Min successfully qualified his fencer for Rio 2016 Olympic Games, and some of his fencers' achievements include medals in the following regional and international events:

- 2014 Asian Games Individual & Team
- 2014, 2015 & 2016 Asian Fencing Championships Individual & Team
- 2016 Moscow Sabre Grand Prix

EPEE National Coach

Mr. Fu Hao will take up the position of National Weapon Coach for Epee in Jan. 2017. Since taking up the National Coach's position in Jan. 2014, he has brought Singapore the 1st Bronze medal in the 2014 Asian Games and also led the team to numerous medals in the Asian Junior and Cadets Fencing Championships in 2015 and 2016. In the 2015 SEA Games, the Epee fencers brought home 1 Silver and 2 Bronzes, contributing to the best ever SEA Games results for Fencing Singapore.

FOIL National Coach

FS welcome this week **Mr. Andrey Klyushin**, former Head Coach of the British Fencing World Class Programme and Senior Men's Foil Programme.

Andrey comes with a Master degree in Fencing and over 24 years of coaching experience, including leading his charges to the recent 2008, 2012 and 2016 Olympic Games. Although Andrey's main weapon is foil, he has coaching qualification across all three weapons. Andrey has coached in Russia for 10 years, followed by another 10 years coaching in Denmark prior to joining British Fencing.

More information on Andrey can be found in the following British Fencing news releases:

- ü <http://britishfencing.com/news/latest-news/?n=896>
- ü <http://www.britishfencing.com/news/latest-news/?n=1633>

Please join us in this exciting journey with the coaches as we embark towards our Fencing Vision 2024, especially to achieve the major milestones towards Olympic Games 2020 and 2024.



Left: Coach Min Xinsheng
Middle: Coach Fu Hao
Right: Coach Klyushin Andrey



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Fencing Singapore (formerly known as "Amateur Fencing Association of Singapore") was established in 1955 and is the national governing body for the sport of fencing. Currently, there are 5000 fencers in the fencing community. By actively participating in international competitions, organising international events and promoting the sport to more youths, Fencing Singapore aims to raise the profile of the sport and to achieve medals at the highest levels of global competition. More information about the sport can be found at <http://fencingsingapore.org.sg>