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Loutraki, Greece

POST-COMPETITION PRESS CONFERENCE Men's 56 kg.

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Vitali Derbeniev (BLR): "I was prepared for this first place. To tell the truth I was a bit afraid of Turkey's Akti, but, as an old Russian saying goes, 'he who is afraid, does not fight,' whereas I fought and won. My next goal is the Olympic Games in Athens, but before that we have the World Championships in Vancouver."

Adrian Jugau (ROM): "Everything went well for me. I'm satisfied with my performance and the medals I won and I now hope to do well in the Olympic Games in Athens."

Nayden Rusev (CYP): "I'd like to dedicate my medal to the schoolchildren who died in Sunday's traffic accident, as well as to all of Greece and Cyprus. I've only trained for two months with my coach, Dimitris Eliadis, and although I'm satisfied with my result, I have higher goals for the future."

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