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arrah El-Silawi, MMA fighter, confirmed that he made his request to His Highness Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa to allow Brave Combat Federation in Iordan.

Jarrah who is popularly known as "The Jordanian Lion" was finally able to get his rematch against Carl Booth

at Brave 9: The Kingdom of Champions in Bahrain.

Jarrah El-Silawi was able to get his revenge almost 3 years afterwards by defeating his adversary via unanimous decision at Brave 9.

The new statement is a huge transition for the growth of sports media in Middle East. Brave Combat Federation has already travelled across to six

nations and hosted events.

Adding more nations into the portfolio will significantly increase the global reach and popularity of the sport as well as the global attention that the Kingdom is receiving.

The business model of reaching out to nations and economy through sports had been highly acclaimed. El-Silawi celebrated his victory

reaching out to Sheikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa to request to bring Brave Combat Federation to Jordan.

Without hesitation, Shaikh Khalid accepted El-Silawi's request and promised that Brave Combat Federation will have an event in Jordan soon.

"I had this in mind before entering the fight. I wanted to settle the scores with Booth, make a statement and request this favour from Shaikh Khalid. His Highness is transforming Middle East as a powerhouse for International combat sports. In a vear's time, Arab fighters became some of the most respected athletes. Arab mixed martial artists are indebted to the vision of His Highness Sheikh Khalid," said Jarrah.

**Sports achievers** ceremony to be held today

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A ceremony to reward Bahrain's sports achievers for 2015, 2016 and 2017 will take place today at the University of Bahrain's Shaikh Abdulaziz bin Mohammed Khalifa's Hall A1 in Sakhir.

The event, which commences at 7pm, will be organized by the Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC) in appreciation to the Bahraini athletes with outstanding achievements in the past three vears.

It's organised as per directives of Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, representative of His Majesty the King for Charity Works and Youth Affairs, Supreme Council for Youth and Sports Chairman, and BOC President

The BOC has completed all arrangements for tonight's function, in which over 800 athletes and administrators, will be honoured.

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The lady footballers and basketball The lady tootballers and customers players of Bahrain are in for a treat on December 1 as 'The Bahrain Women's Day Sportsfest 2017', an exciting addition to the continued development of women's sport in The Kingdom, gets set to play out at The Umm Al Hassam Sports Stadium.

The one-day event, organized by Out of the Box and supported by the Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC), celebrates 'Bahrain Women's Day'. The festivities commence at 9am and continue until 6pm.

It's held under the patronage of Shaikha Hayat bint Abdulaziz Al Khalifa Member of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, the BOC, and Chairwoman of the Bahrain Women's Sports Committee.

In this inaugural edition of what will hopefully become an annual event, teams will get the chance to compete in the fast paced sports of Futsal and 3-on-3 Basketball for a range of trophies and great sponsor prizes; it is expected that 10 teams will battle it out for the Futsal title, while as many as 24 teams will shoot the hoops on the way to hopeful basketball success.

There will also be action away from the sports halls with display stands showcasing arts and crafts from a number of lady entrepreneurs, a range of children's activities and food stalls - making 'The Bahrain Women's Day Sportsfest 2017' more than just a sports event, creating a festival atmosphere so that all the family can enjoy the day.

"With the lead of Shaikha Hayat and the Bahrain Olympic Committee, women's sport is gaining more and more interest and prominence in Bahrain and we are delighted to provide the ladies with a new competitive opportunity, particularly on Bahrain Women's Day,'



# Representative image said Managing Director of Out of the

Box, Sarva Velamuri. "We are starting with two sports this year, but hope to grow the event year on year to include further sports and sportswomen from other GCC countries: as with all events, commercial support is very important and I would like to thank all of our sponsors - this is an exciting time for women's sport and it's great to have you all onboard".

There is still time to enter 'The Bahrain Women's Day Sportsfest 2017' - for Futsal, contact Ali on 3945 4403; for Basketball, contact Ialil on 3326 6625; or to contact Out of the Box, call Sarva on 3667 7719 or Godwin on 3667 7019.

Women's Day Sportsfest Sevilla's comeback to deny Liverp heir third goal rro score

Seville Sevilla's Guido Pizarro scored a 93rd-minute equaliser to complete an incredible comeback from three goals down to draw 3-3 against Liverpool on Tuesday in a pulsating Champions League Group E clash.

Liverpool were on the verge of sealing qualification to the last 16 for the first time since 2009 but Pizarro stabbed home from a corner deep into stoppage time to denv them.

Sadio Mane headed home in between two Roberto Firmino

strikes to put Liverpool three goals up within 30 minutes, but Sevilla came back from the dead after the break.

Wissam Ben Yedder netted twice before Pizarro's late equaliser, leaving Liverpool top with nine points, Sevilla second with eight and Spartak Moscow third with six, after they drew 1-1 with Maribor.

Liverpool, who won the Champions League in 2005 after coming from three goals down against AC Milan in the final, were given a taste of their own medicine at the Ramon Sanchez-Pizjuan and must now avoid defeat against Spartak to qualify in

their final group game on Dec. 6. "It feels like we lost but we didn't lose. There is a game to go and it's still in our hands but at the moment it feels really bad," Liverpool manager Juergen Klopp told  $\hat{B}T$  Sport.

The German's side tore into the hosts from the off with Firmino pouncing in the second minute after Georginio Wijnaldum flicked Philippe Coutinho's corner into his path. (Reuters)

# IOC bans four Russian athletes for life over Sochi doping

Moscow Four Russian skeleton athletes, including Olympic champion Alexander Tretyakov, have been banned for life from the Olympics after being found guilty of doping at the 2014 Sochi Games, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) said on Wednesday

Tretyakov, Sochi bronze-medal winner Elena Nikitina, Maria Orlova and Olga Potylitsyna have been "found to have committed anti-doping rule violations," the IOC said in a statement.

"The four athletes are declared ineligible to be accredited in any capacity for all editions of the Games of the Olympiad and the Olympic Winter Games subsequent to the Olympic Winter Games Sochi 2014," the IOC said.

The IOC added it had disqualified the athletes from Sochi, effectively stripping Tretvakov and Nikitina of their Olympic medals. Orlova and

Potylitsyna did not win medals in Sochi.

