



Kim Bui wins silver at the Universiade

Gymnast from the University of Stuttgart makes a convincing impression on the uneven bars in Taipei

The student from the University of Stuttgart, Kim Bui, won the silver medal on the uneven bars at the summer Universiade in Taiwan . The 28-year old top class gymnast, who is multiple German champion and Olympic participant, made a convincing impression in the final on the jurors and the audience with a very confident exercise and many elements with a high level of difficulty.

Bui is satisfied with her performance and the grade of 14,033 she achieved. "Unfortunately, I injured my foot there, which is the reason why I only went on the beams and the bars", she reported from Taipeh. "After the qualification I went into the final in third place. In the final I performed the best exercise in the two competitions." The fact she didn't make gold is something she takes lightly since the winner, Daria Spiridonova from Russia, "is the reigning world champion, making it all right".

The medal is her third success at the students' world games, in which nearly 13,000 students from 150 nations took part this year and which is the largest multi-sport event after the Olympic Games. Bui had already taken part in the Universiade in Kasan in 2013 and won bronze in the combined event there and bronze in the team. This year she achieved 4th place together with the team.

Congratulations from the University of Stuttgart

"The University of Stuttgart cordially congratulates Kim Bui on winning the silver medal, which she won at the summer Universiade", said Professor Wolfram Ressel, Rector from the University of Stuttgart. "We are

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delighted that our students represent the University of Stuttgart so well internationally at sporting events.”

Great atmosphere “Mini-Olympia”

Bui is grateful “for the great support on site and at home”. The student of technical biology also feels “always well supported in so far as I needed help.” She likes the atmosphere of the Universiade and the mood within the German team. “It is great that the various types of sport are represented here and the participants can exchange views”, she said. “In the large canteen you always sit with other German participants and always have something new to talk about. I was at the Olympic Games myself twice and it is comparable – merely a few dimensions smaller, simply mini Olympic Games.” Now their competitions are over, Bui was able to see more of Taipei than just the gymnasium. The first thing on the agenda was a sight-seeing tour.

Flag bearer of the German team

At the start of the Universiade, the Stuttgart student was granted a special honour: The general German University Sport Organisation had selected her as the flag bearer of the German team. On the shoulder of the javelin thrower Andreas Hofmann, Bui led the German national team into the stadium.