

Two world silat golds for Singapore



Shakir Juanda (left) and Sheik Farhan (right) and both won their respective weight class finals at the World Pencak Silat Championships in Bali. PHOTO: PERSISI

Shakir and Farhan clinch their second world titles



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Singapore won two gold medals on the final day of the World Pencak Silat Championships in Bali, today (Thursday).

Sheik Farhan outclassed Vietnam's Mach Quoc Hung 5-0 in the men's Class J (90-95kg) final, while Shakir Juanda recovered from an early setback to win the Class I (85-90kg) final.

Both Singaporeans are now two-time world champions of their respective weight classes.

Farhan, who turns 20 next Friday, had triumphed in Phuket almost two years ago, while 28-year-old Shakir won the gold medal in Chiang Rai in 2012.

This is the first time since 2004 - when the world championship was hosted in Singapore - that the Republic's silat exponents have delivered more than one gold medal at the