

Deja vu for Suhaila in silat semi-final



Singapore silat exponent Nurul Suhaila Mohd Saiful (with red sash) was defeated by reigning world champion Selly Andriani of Indonesia, in the semi-final of the World Pencak Silat Championships. PHOTO: COURTESY OF PERSISI

Singaporean loses rematch of 2015 world championships final, but six others still battling for gold



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History repeated itself yesterday at the World Pencak Silat Championships in Bali.

Unfortunately for national silat exponent Nurul Suhaila Mohd Saiful, that meant another narrow defeat by Indonesian Selly Andriani.

Almost two years ago at the last world championships in Phuket, Suhaila was a kick away from beating Selly for the gold medal in the women's Class D (60-65kg) final.

But she ended up being dumped on the mat with a takedown in the final round and had to settle for a silver medal.