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Batu Khasikov made a name for himself in 2011 when he defeated both Albert Kraus and Mike Zambidis. He's only fought once in 2012, where he won a very controversial decision over Warren Stevelmans.

Khasikov returns to the ring on this Saturday, October 14 in Khabarovsk, Russia. For this fight he'll have an easier opponent than his three previous fights, as he takes on Mohammed Reza Nazari from Iran, at 75kg. Nazari has fought in Russia four times, with two wins, a loss and a no contest in the country. This is more of a fight to prepare him for his fight just three weeks after in November.

On November 3, Khasikov will fight Gago Drago in Moscow, Russia at Battle of Moscow 8. That fight will be at 72.5kg. It's strange for Khasikov to be fighting so shortly after another fight, as over the past few years he's generally been very inactive, only fighting twice in all of 2011 and only once so far this year. He is said to be preparing for a big fight, as Fight Nights, his promotion, continually tries to negotiate a fight between himself and Buakaw.

Khasikov isn't just a fighter, as he also is extensively involved as a producer in the organizational and promotional aspects of the Fight Nights promotion.