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The return of Badr Hari on May 14th is a big deal, as Badr Hari is one of the kickboxing world's top fighters. Badr Hari has for a long time been a very strong prospect before making it to the finals of the K-1 World Grand Prix in 2008. Making the Finals in 2008 was huge for Badr Hari, but his much-talked about temper reared its ugly head when he couldn't get the better of Remy Bonjasky
. Bonjasky went down after being tripped and Badr Hari's heel met Bonjasky's face.

In 2009 Badr Hari had a lot to prove, to the world and to himself. His temper kept him from achieving what many saw as his destiny, to win the K-1 World Grand Prix. So for Badr Hari, the year of 2009 was a year of redemption and second chances. Not only was he disqualified against Remy Bonjasky in the Finals, but at Dynamite!! he was knocked out by Alistair Overeem. To say when he was given a shot at then three-time K-1 World Grand Prix Champion Semmy Schilt
that he had a lot to prove is an understatement. Badr Hari walked into the Amsterdam ArenA to fight for It's Showtime in a bout to decide the It's Showtime World Heavyweight Championship.

Many saw this fight as Semmy Schilt's fight, for Badr Hari to defeat Schilt he would need to pull off a miracle Peter Aerts performance.