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## **UIPM COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME: 17 COACHES JOIN THE FAMILY IN ASUNCION (PAR)**



When Paraguay was welcomed into the UIPM family in 2018, with the recognition of the Paraguayan Association of Modern Pentathlon (APPM), it made South America the first continent to have a member federation in every country.



Already there have been exciting developments

in the Pentathlon movement in Paraguay, the latest of which was a Level 1 course that enabled 17 coaches to gain qualifications under the UIPM Coaches Certification Programme (CCP).

The five-day course (July 15-19) took place at the Paraguayan Olympic Committee and Armed Forces Sport Institute and was overseen by Guillermo Filipi (ARG), a certified UIPM Level 4 coach. The graduation ceremony was attended by APPM President Gerardo Acosta.

Asuncion will host the ODESUR South American Games in 2022, when Pentathlon will be part of the programme.



Jorge Salas, President of the South American

Modern Pentathlon Confederation, said: "We are very proud to be the first continent to have a recognised UIPM national federation in every country, and Paraguay has already been very active as the latest member of our continental family.

"It is a busy time for the region, with the PanAmerican Games in Lima (PER) coming up next week, following the Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires (ARG) in 2018.

"We are all looking forward to the ODESUR Games in Asuncion in 2022, and all of the coaches who graduated from the Level 1 CCP course in the city can now look forward to helping Paraguay to prepare for this opportunity with a qualification behind them."

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