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UIPM 2022 PENTATHLON WORLD CUP ANKARA: JUN (KOR) FENCES WAY INTO ANOTHER FINAL



- Olympic bronze medallist takes slender lead into Super Saturday
- Sukharev (KAZ) and Choong (GBR) also impress in Semi-finals
- France, Hungary and Korea qualify three athletes apiece

Tokyo 2020 Olympic bronze medallist **Woongtae Jun** of **Korea** will again be the man to beat on Super Saturday at UIPM 2022 Pentathlon World Cup Ankara.

After setting a new world record last time out in Albena (BUL), the five-time World Cup winner performed strongly once again in the Fencing Ranking Round, scoring an exceptional 26V/4D.

That performance enabled the 26-year-old to cruise through Semi-final A, crossing the line first alongside team-mate **Changwan Seo** (KOR) with a clutch of athletes just behind, led by Olympic champion **Joseph Choong** of **Great Britain** and **Csaba Bohm of Hungary**.

Semi-final B was less of a logiam, with Vladislav Sukharev of Kazakhstan hitting the finish 5sec

ahead of Giorgio Malan of Italy with Mohamed Elgendy of Egypt a further second behind.

Other notable names in the 18-strong Men's Final line-up will be reigning world champion **Adam Marosi** (HUN) and three-time Pentathlon World Cup Final winner **Valentin Prades** of **France** – each of whom will have two compatriots for company in the Final.

Jun (KOR) will compete alongside Seo and **Jinhwa Jung** (KOR) in the Final after scoring 26V/9D in the Fencing Ranking Round, one more victory than Sukharev (KAZ) and two more than Hamad (EGY).

After his comeback silver medal in Albena (BUL), Choong (GBR) will be poised for a shot at gold tomorrow after scoring 23V/12D – as did Prades (FRA).

UIPM 2022 Pentathlon World Cup Ankara comes to a climax tomorrow (June 11) with the Women's and Men's Finals followed by the Mixed Relay on Sunday, June 12.

Live stream of all Semi-finals and Finals is available on UIPM TV and all competition results are available at the UIPM website.

The 18 qualified athletes for the Men's Final are:

RankName		NationMP Points	
1	SUKHAREV Vladislav	KAZ	1179
2	MALAN Giorgio	ITA	1174
3	ELGENDY Mohamed	EGY	1173
4	SEO Changwan	KOR	1172
5	JUN Woongtae	KOR	1172
6	BOHM Csaba	HUN	1171
7	CHOONG Joseph	GBR	1171
8	HAMAD Eslam	EGY	1171
9	DEMETER Bence	HUN	1171
10	LOUBET Brice	FRA	1170
11	PRADES Valentin	FRA	1170
12	JUNG Jinhwa	KOR	1170
13	UNAL Bugra	TUR	1170
14	MAROSI Adam	HUN	1169
15	HENRARD Alexandre	FRA	1169
16	HOUSKA Filip	CZE	1168
17	FAGUNDES Danilo	BRA	1167
18	PARISI Giuseppe MattialTA		1165