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## GLOBAL LASER-RUN CITY TOUR 2018: 'MEMORABLE OCCASION' IN LAGOS (NIG)



The Nigerian capital city of Lagos is one of Africa's fastest-growing cities with a huge population of more than 16 million and a dynamic economy to match.

It was, then, a perfect host for the Global Laser-Run City Tour, one of the world's most progressive sporting circuits which seeks to bring UIPM Sports to new urban communities across the planet.

The Lagos event was hosted by the Nigeria Modern Pentathlon Federation (NMPF) at the Surulere National Stadium on July 7.

With more than 200 participants entering in the youth categories alone, drawn from 12 schools, clubs and academies in the region, it was a genuine mass-participation experience and wet weather conditions failed to dampen spirits.



The NMPF President, Chief Dr Jonathan Nnaji,

said in a keynote address: "We are today witnessing a memorable occasion in the history and development of the sport of Modern Pentathlon in Nigeria.

"We have diverse participants here ranging from registered athletes over 50 in the open categories and about 200 school-aged participants from nearby public and private schools, administrators from the five disciplines of Modern Pentathlon sports, organised private sector, the international community including the diplomatic corps and the very vibrant Nigerian media.

"In conclusion, today champions will rise, may the best man and woman win."

The UIPM Global Laser-Run City Tour was created in 2017 to deliver an exciting, dynamic and fun competition to participants of all ages and offer them an entry point to UIPM Sports.

The Global LRCT took place in parks, stadiums and iconic urban venues in 60 cities around the world in 2017, with more than 15,000 participants. There are about 100 events scheduled in 2018.

Laser-Run is a development sport of UIPM but aspiring athletes of all ages also have the chance to compete for global titles at the UIPM Laser-Run World Championships, which are taking place in Dublin (IRL) on September 28-30, 2018.

You can register for the open division here and view the invitation to National Federations here.

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