The UIPM President, Dr Klaus Schormann, has appointed a 12-strong task force to finalise the new Modern Pentathlon format designed for the Olympic Summer Games Paris 2024.

The news follows positive communication from the International Olympic Committee’s Executive Board about the suitability of the format for Paris 2024.

The task force, led by President Dr Schormann, will be charged with finalising the rules of the format based on evaluation and testing in 2021 to follow the testing that took place in 2020. The proposed rules will then be presented at the UIPM 2021 Congress.

Representing the UIPM Executive Board on the task force will be two Members who also represent France as Paris 2024 National Federation host - Vice-President Joel Bouzou OLY and Christian Roudaut, Chair of the UIPM Coaches Committee.
The EB is also represented by Secretary General Shiny Fang, Athletes Committee Chair Aya Medany OLY and Janusz Peciak OLY, Chair of the UIPM Technical Committee and EB Member for Sport.

The National Federation community is represented by Dominic Mahony OLY (Pentathlon GB) and Anna Bajan (Polish Modern Pentathlon Association President), representing the host NF of the 2023 European Games in Krakow-Malopolska (POL). Modern Pentathlon’s place on the programme for Krakow 2023 was officially confirmed on December 17.

The UIPM Medical Committee is represented by Dr Douglass Stull (USA), while three UIPM staff members complete the task force – Operations Director Dr Alexandre Franca, Competition Manager Tamas Varga and Media Operations Manager Florent Boas.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: “On behalf of the UIPM Executive Board I am delighted to announce the composition of a task force to finalise the new Modern Pentathlon format for the Olympic Summer Games Paris 2024.

“The 12 people appointed have the interests of Modern Pentathlon at heart. They will be responsible for ensuring that the new format to be presented at UIPM 2021 Congress will enable our historic Olympic sport to have the best possible presentation at Paris 2024 based on testing, evaluation and feedback from our global community.”

UIPM Vice-President Joel Bouzou OLY said: “Members of the global UIPM community have demonstrated many times over the years that they are open to adaptation and change.

“We now have an opportunity through the new format proposed for the Paris 2024 to begin an exciting new chapter for Modern Pentathlon and secure the future of the sport in the Olympic Games. I look forward to working with the task force to put the finishing touches to the new format.”