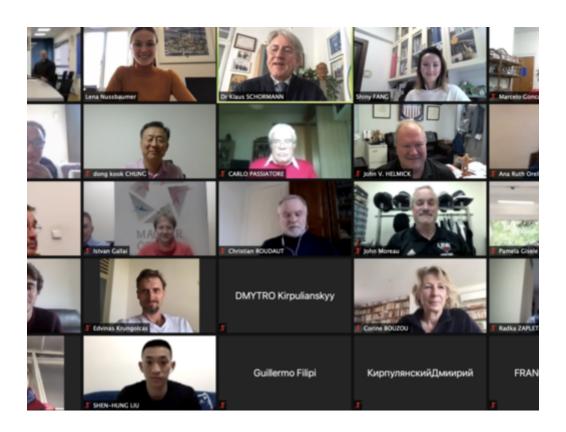


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UIPM JOINT COMMITTEES MEETING: ATHLETES, COACHES AND JUDGES CONGREGATE ONLINE



A year after the highly successful 2nd UIPM Joint Committees Meeting in Frankfurt (GER), the same three committees met online to discuss a wide range of ongoing matters relating to the UIPM Sports movement during this time of global crisis.

The joint congregation of the UIPM Athletes Committee, UIPM Coaches Committee and UIPM Technical Committee took place on February 10, 2021 via video conference.

After a welcome speech and political update from UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and a general briefing from Secretary General Shiny Fang that covered the main activities developed in 2020 and goals for 2021, the attendees watched a presentation on the new Modern Pentathlon format for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games. This encompassed the activities of the new Task Force, format tests, the finalisation of rules and the implementation of next steps.

After points from the various Committee Chairs, there was another presentation on the ongoing qualification process for the rescheduled Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, followed by an update on

UIPM Congress and Committees Elections and finally a Q&A session that allowed committee members to clarify points about all discussion points.

President Dr Schormann said: "While it was unfortunate that we were not able to meet in person, the UIPM Joint Committees Meeting on February 10 contained a very productive exchange of views linked to the Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 Olympic Games and many other topical matters linked to the UIPM Sports movement.

"At the end of the meeting I commended the UIPM Secretary General and UIPM staff members on their excellent preparations and gave my thanks to all participating members for their ongoing input.

"I am grateful to all members of the three committees who gave their time to this important meeting, and it is my dear hope that we will all be able to meet in person in the near future for further discussions during the 2021 season."