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# **UIPM PRESIDENT'S ACTIVITIES:** FEBRUARY 2021



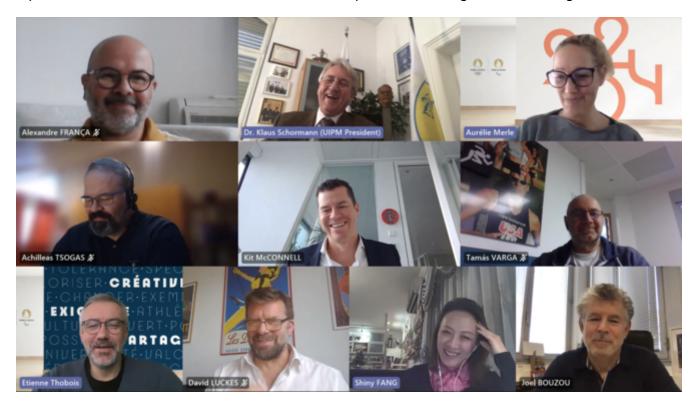
05.02.2021: Meeting with Paris 2024 and IOC

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann was joined by fellow UIPM office-bearers and staff in a meeting with key figures in the organization of the Olympic Summer Games Paris 2024.

The meeting was attended by Etienne Thobois (CEO) and Aurelie Merle (Sport Director) from the Organizing Committee Olympic Games Paris 2024, along with Kit McConnell (Sports Director), David Luckes (Associate Director, Summer Sports and International Relations) and Achilleas Tsogas (Sport Operations Manager) of the International Olympic Committee.

They discussed the competition programme for Modern Pentathlon and the new format which will be presented at Paris 2024, focusing deeply on the competition schedule of the Olympic Games and the venue in Versailles where the Modern Pentathlon should be organized alongside equestrian sport.

UIPM Vice President Joel Bouzou OLY joined the meeting, as did Secretary General Shiny Fang, Operations Director Alexandre Franca and Competitions Manager Tamas Varga.



Meeting with Paris 2024 and the International Olympic Committee

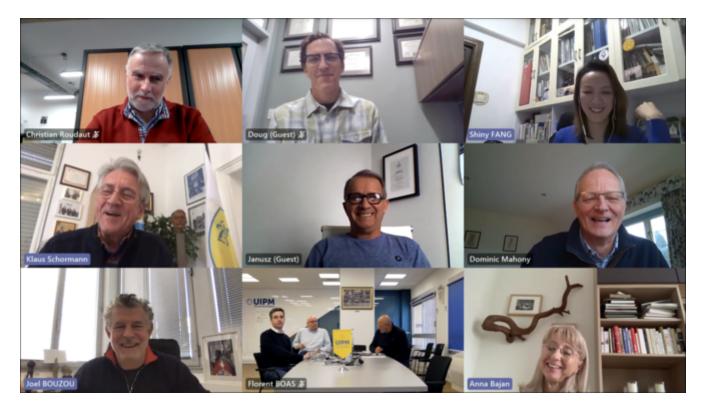
## 06.02.2021: German Modern Pentathlon Federation meeting

In his capacity as Honorary President Dr Schormann attended a meeting of the German Modern Pentathlon Federation (DVMF).

The DVMF Executive Board discussed new statutes that will be changed at the next General Assembly in summer 2021 and received a briefing about national and international sport policy.

## 08.02.2021: New format task force meeting

The UIPM President joined fellow members of the task force appointed in December 2020 for a meeting about the new Olympic Games Modern Pentathlon format. They discussed important points about the competition format for the planned test events and also for Paris 2024.



Meeting of the new Modern Pentathlon format task force

## 09.02.2021: Meeting with Egypt Sports Minister

Dr Schormann was joined by Egyptian Modern Pentathlon Federation President Sharif Elerian in a video conference with Egypt's Minister of Youth and Sport, Dr Ashraf Soby, about the UIPM 2021 World Championships (Senior, Junior and U19/U17) all taking place in Egypt.

They discussed issues of sporting politics and mapped out details for a perfectly planned series of World Championships in 2021. The UIPM 2021 Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships are scheduled to take place in Cairo (EGY) in June, followed by both the UIPM Junior and Youth (U19/U17) World Championships in Alexandria (EGY) in July.



UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Executive Assistant Lena Nussbaumer meet with Dr Ashraf Soby, Egypt's Minister for Youth and Sports, and Egyptian

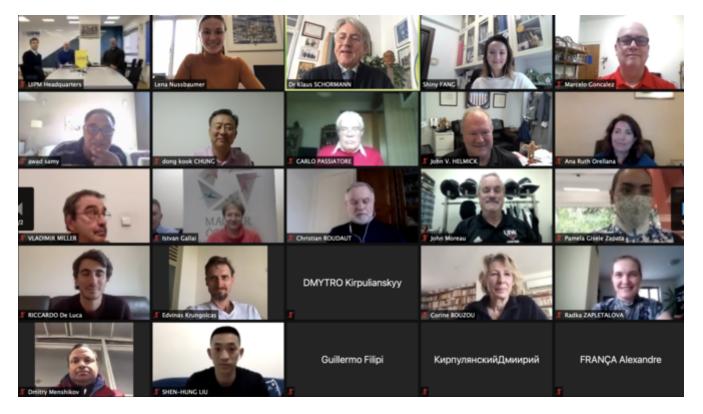
Modern Pentathlon Federation President Sharif Elerian

# 10.02.2021: Virtual Joint Committee Meeting

President Dr Schormann addressed the members of the UIPM Athletes, Coaches and Technical Committees attending the 3rd annual Joint Committee Meeting (held virtually for the first time).

He informed all committee members about the ongoing situation linked to the Olympic Games Paris 2024, including the new format test event planned for Budapest (HUN) in April 2021, and updated them on the impact of the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic on preparations and qualification for the rescheduled Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 hosted in July/August 2021.

UIPM Secretary General Shiny Fang joined staff members in giving a detailed PowerPoint presentation about the Olympic Games Paris 2024.



Dr Schormann addresses members of the UIPM Athletes, Coaches and Technical Committees

## 12.02.2021: 'Be Active Through Sport' task force follow-up meeting

President Dr Schormann chaired a second meeting with the German sport task force 'Trimm Dich' (Be Active Through Sport).

They discussed strategies to cover the next stage of the project – reaching an audience.

Future meetings will include experts from medicine, sociology, psychology and media. A clear message is that people of all generations need opportunities to take part in physical activity and mental health assistance to overcome stress caused by the pandemic, and to maintain health through sport we need preventive actions.



Clockwise from top left: 'Be Active Through Sport' task force members Dr Gerald Fritz, Dr Michael Doerr, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Prof Dr

Markus Mau; (inset) UIPM President's Executive Assistant Lena Nussbaumer

## 18.02.2021: Podcast Interview with Prof Dr Holger Preuss

Dr Schormann appeared for the first time as a guest in a podcast, hosted by UIPM Innovation Commission Member Prof Dr Holger Preuss.

They discussed the duty of UIPM to Baron Pierre de Coubertin and his heritage, ethical points and how UIPM is handling anti-corruption.

Prof Dr Preuss also asked about the enormous development in sustainability within UIPM Sports since the introduction of laser shooting, which was established in 2010.

They discussed other topics such as the UIPM 2021 Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships, which were relocated to Cairo (EGY) from Minsk (BLR) due to instability in Belarus.

You can find the podcast on YouTube at "Sports Economics Uni Mainz".



Podcast presenter and UIPM Innovation Commission Member Prof Dr Holger Preuss

## 26.02.-02.03.21: Budapest (HUN)

During his visit to the 7th Hungarian Open Indoor Championships, the UIPM President was joined by Dr Gyula Bretz, Hungarian Modern Pentathlon Association President (HMPA) and UIPM Honorary Member, in a meeting with Krisztian Kulcsar, President of the Hungarian Olympic Committee.

They discussed international competitions in Hungary before the rescheduled Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and the vaccination of athletes, coaches and officials linked to the Games in Tokyo in 2021 and Paris in 2024.



Furthermore, they spoke about the Hungarian / Budapest bid for the Olympic Games 2032 and the IOC Agenda 2020+5. President Kulscar underlined again the very strong and close partnership between UIPM and the NOC.

On March 1 during the Women's Final, President Dr Schormann met with Hungary's State Secretary for Sport, Dr Tunde Szabo, to discuss the upcoming UIPM 2021 Pentathlon World Cup Budapest. She gave a strong statement of support from the government and promised to provide assistance to other competitions like the new Modern Pentathlon format test in April 2021.



Through her responsibility in sport for Hungary Dr Szabo likes to be a close partner to UIPM and the national association for Modern Pentathlon.

On March 2, the UIPM President met the Parliamentary Leader of the Christian Democratic People's Party of Hungary, Dr Istvan Simicsko in his office at the Parliament. Dr Simicsko, still a serving Member of Parliament, is a former Minister for Defence and recently became Vice President of the HMPA.

They discussed the global pandemic situation relating to business, politics and sport. President Dr Schormann underlined the long historical relationships between the sport-political society in Hungary and UIPM.

Dr Simicsko guaranteed that sport – and especially Modern Pentathlon – will always have the strong support of the Hungarian Government.

