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A PASSION FOR PARIS: EPISODE 2 NOW AVAILABLE ON UIPM YOUTUBE



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UIPM has released the second episode of a new TV show entitled *A Passion For Paris*, charting the dramatic ups and downs experienced by elite pentathletes as they prepare for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

Merging athlete profile interviews with competition coverage, Episode 2 reveals the polar highs and lows that became dominant narratives during UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cup Ankara.

The show features Rio 2016 silver medallist **Elodie Clouvel** of **France**, 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Final winner **Mohanad Shaban** of **Egypt** and hometown favourite **Ilke Ozyuksel** of **Türkiye**, as well as the athletes who won gold in Ankara (TUR), **Kerenza Bryson** of **Great Britain** and **Changwan Seo** of **Korea**.

Highlights of the second of this six-part series include:

- Clouvel (FRA) soaring into the lead in her Semi-final, then dropping from first to last place in Laser Run due to a misfiring pistol, and reflecting: “I’m fed up. Honestly, it’s a disaster.”
- Shaban (EGY) admitting “I love Ankara” having won two gold medals in the Turkish capital last year, only to find himself eliminated after falling from his horse during the Men’s Final. “This competition is bad luck for me.”
- Bryson (GBR) stating that her only goal is gold at Paris 2024, and following up with a second World Cup title that left her reflecting: “I’m on a bit of a run at the moment. It’s just positive vibes all round.”
- Seo (KOR) fulfilling his obvious potential with a career-first gold medal as he fights for the right to compete alongside the legendary Woongtae Jun (KOR) in Paris. “Woongtae inspires me a lot. We have gained many fans since winning a medal at the Tokyo Olympics.”
- Ozyuksel (TUR) on the mixed blessing of competing in front of a home crowd. “I can hear all the Turkish words and many people cheer for me – sometimes good, sometimes bad, of course. You have to be mentally very strong.”
- Ozyuksel (TUR) crashing out in her Semi-final after a rare blip in her Laser Run, leading her to acknowledge: “Normally my shooting was OK but I couldn’t handle the stress, pressure, everything.”

A Passion For Paris: Episode 2 has been released to TV networks worldwide and is available to watch free on UIPM’s YouTube channel.

Episode 3 and 4 were filmed during the recent UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cups in Budapest (HUN) and Sofia (BUL) and will be available soon.

Live coverage of all Semi-finals and Finals in the UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cup and World Championships is available to subscribers on UIPM TV where annual packages cost €14.99.