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UIPM RELEASES FULL LIST OF APPOINTED COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVES



- **New roles for Olympic medallists French (GBR), Marques (BRA) and Prokopenko (BLR)**
- **Sisniega and De La Vega (MEX) team up on Innovation Commission**
- **President Stull challenges community to ‘think innovatively’**

The Executive Board (EB) of the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne (UIPM) has appointed a wide range of experts to serve on UIPM Commissions throughout the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic cycle.

Following the announcement of six Commission Chairs on January 31, seven Commissions have now been populated with a vibrant mix of former athletes, sports industry specialists, technical experts and historians with luminaries also coming from the worlds of politics, art, business and journalism.

Three female Olympic medallists are appointed, with Tokyo 2020 gold medallist **Kate French** of **Great Britain** joining London 2012 bronze medallist **Yane Marques** of **Brazil** on the UIPM

Women's Commission and Beijing 2008 bronze medallist **Anastasiya Prokopenko** of **Belarus** serving on the UIPM Culture & Education Commission.

Justinas Kinderis of **Lithuania**, 2013 men's world champion, chairs the UIPM Sport For All Commission while **Joshua Riker-Fox** of **Canada** joins the UIPM Equipment Commission. Two more male Olympic pentathletes from **Mexico** team up on the UIPM Innovation Commission, with **Ivar Sisniega** continuing his leadership role and **Horacio De La Vega** now part of the panel.

Former UIPM 1st Vice President Sisniega (MEX) was until recently Secretary General of the Pan American Sports Organisation (PASO) and is now Executive President of the Mexican Football Federation. De La Vega (MEX), Executive President of the Mexican Baseball League, was a senior team world champion in 1998 and individual junior world champion in 1995.

Dr Klaus Schormann of **Germany**, who recently ended an unprecedented 31 years' service as UIPM President, chairs the Culture & Education Commission with renowned artist **Lori Norwood** of **United States** among those appointed. Dr Schormann also joins the UIPM Pierre de Coubertin Commission, chaired by a distant relative of the founder of Modern Pentathlon, **Alexandra de Navacelle de Coubertin** of **France**.

Cristina Vasilianov, Vice President and former Secretary General of the **Moldova** National Olympic Committee, joins the UIPM Women's Commission.

All Chairs will have the right to introduce additional experts to their Commission in an advisory capacity.

UIPM President Rob Stull OLY said: "I am thrilled that the Executive Board has approved the appointment of such an exciting group of people to serve on UIPM Commissions for the LA28 quad. Given our new 'Athlete First' mantra I'm particularly delighted to see so many former champions of our sport on the list.

"Our Commissions play a vital role in the development of our movement across many key areas, collaborating with and supporting the UIPM Team and complementing the strategic oversight of the Executive Board and elected Committees.

"Every single person appointed to one of these Commissions is going to add value and I challenge each of them to think innovatively with an open mind. I can't wait to hear about their discussions and recommendations."

Commission	Name	National Federation
Innovation Commission	Ivar SISNIEGA (Chair)	Mexico
	Aistis BARONAS	Lithuania
	Nishanthe PIYASENA	Sri Lanka
	Mike MOBUS	Germany
	Horacio DE LA VEGA	Mexico
Women's Commission	Anna BAJAN (Chair)	Poland
	Kate FRENCH	Great Britain
	Yane MARQUES	Brazil
	Mona ALSABEG	Saudi Arabia
	Cristina VASILIANOV	Moldova
Para Pentathlon Commission	Dr. Nicola ROBINSON (Chair)	Great Britain
	Bernard MANZONI	South Africa
	Ruth GOMEZ ALVAREZ	Spain
	Jason WONG MUN KONG	Singapore
	Adriana FABBRI	Italy
Sport For All Commission	Justinas KINDERIS (Chair)	Lithuania
	Douglas ELLIOTT	Great Britain
	Pierre JANDER	Germany
	Emrah Haluk AKDERE	Türkiye
	Tunku Nazroff BIN TUNKU MOKSIN	Malaysia
Equipment Commission	Gary LU (Chair)	United States
	Sandor KARMAN	Hungary
	Joshua RIKER-FOX	Canada
	Philipp WAEFFLER	Switzerland
	Marco TOMASINI	Malta
Culture and Education Commission	Dr. Klaus SCHORMANN (Chair)	Germany
	Lori NORWOOD	United States
	Martin DAWE	Great Britain
	Theodora PALLIS	Greece
	Anastasiya PROKOPENKO	Belarus
Pierre de Coubertin Commission	Alexandra DE NAVACELLE DE COUBERTIN (Chair)	France
	Dr. Klaus SCHORMANN	Germany
	Dr. Liston D. BOCHETTE III	Puerto Rico
	Alain LUNZENFICHTER	France
	Ana Luisa DOS REIS DE ALMEIDA	Brazil