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UIPM 2025 PENTATHLON WORLD CUP CAIRO: ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW



- Dawn of Obstacle and elimination Fencing add intrigue to season-opener
- Olympic champion Gulyas (HUN) and Belaud (FRA) bring stardust to North Africa
- All eyes on 14-year-old sensation Khalil (EGY) as next generation goes on show

CAIRO, EGYPT: February 25, 2025 – Pentathletes are renowned for their unique adaptability and the launch of a new senior Modern Pentathlon format at UIPM 2025 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo is sure to test the versatility of their skills to the limit.

A clutch of established superstars – led by Paris 2024 Olympic champion **Michelle Gulyas** of **Hungary** and two-time world champion **Valentin Belaud** of **France** – confronts a rising generation including Swimming world record-holder **Matteo Bovenzi** of **Italy** and 14-year-old sensation **Farida Kahlil** of **Egypt**.

- Take Five: read the key talking points

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Five days of individual competition in the new sequence of Fencing, Obstacle, Swimming and Laser Run begins on February 25 with Women's Qualification (see full schedule below).

Fencing now features a quickfire direct elimination format where athletes must win 1min bouts to remain in the competition. In Qualification there is a traditional Ranking Round, and prior to the Semi-finals there is a Seeding Round that dictates where athletes are placed in the knockout draw.

Fencing is followed by Obstacle, a brand new addition to senior Modern Pentathlon which pits athletes head to head over a 70m course featuring eight obstacles. Action then switches to the Swimming pool before athletes line up for Laser Run – five running laps of 600m with four visits to the shooting range.



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UIPM 2025 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo takes place from February 25 to March 1, with live stream of the Semi-finals and Finals now available free on UIPM.TV. Schedule with stream start times (Central European Time) as follows:

- **Tuesday February 25:** Women's Qualification
- **Wednesday February 26:** Men's Qualification | Women's Fencing Seeding Round
- **Thursday February 27:** Women's Semi-final A (10:00); Women's Semi-final B (14:00) | Men's Fencing Seeding Round
- **Friday February 28:** Men's Semi-final A (10:00); Men's Semi-final B (14:00)
- **Saturday March 1:** Women's Final (09:00), Men's Final (13:00).

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