Laser-Run World Championships
A spectacular introduction to the World

PERPIGNAN HOSTED THE UIPM 2015 LASER-RUN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS INTRODUCING THIS NEW UIPM SUB-SPORT TO THE WORLD
2015 LASER-RUN WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Exciting, dynamic and fun. This is Laser-Run!

Under a warm Pyrenean sun, Laser-Run has enjoyed a spectacular introduction to the world as a sport for all.

As curious spectators watched in wonder, the UIPM Laser-Run World Championships were born in Perpignan, France with a stunning exhibition of the newest form of Modern Pentathlon.

Introduced in 2014, Laser-Run is designed to allow more athletes from around the world an entry point into the most demanding of Olympic sports.

The two-day World Championships accommodated participants of all levels, allowing some of the world’s elite pentathletes to share a stage with their Youth and Masters counterparts and also many non-licensed athletes who are taking part in the ‘Laser Run For All’ initiative.

Seventeen world titles were decided over an innovative course that saw competitors run through a fountain in front of the Palais des Congres, and the French crowd was delighted to see athletes from the host nation win multiple medals.

On day one, the local success was especially pronounced at Senior level, with Alexandre Henrard heading up a French 1-2-3 to win Men’s gold ahead of compatriots Christopher Patte and Valentin Belaud.

The Senior Women’s title went to Anastasiya Prokopenko (Belarus) who was joined on the podium by Eevi Bengs (Finland) and Donna Vakalis (Canada) after a thrilling finish.

Julie Belhamri (France) picked up gold in the Junior Women’s discipline while Peter Oosthuizen (South Africa) was a very dominant figure among the Junior Men.

At Youth A level, Andres Garza (Mexico) stood out among the male athletes and a vivid glimpse of the future of the sport was provided by 13-year-old Mariam Amer (Egypt) who fought off her Spanish rival Aroa Freije.

There was an Egyptian clean sweep in the Men’s Youth B event, while Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Mixed Relay champion Maria Miguel Teixeira (Portugal) fought off a challenge from Maram Elshafei (Egypt) to prevail in the Women’s Youth B.

The crowd twice roared French winners over the line at Masters
level, as Cecilia Geppier and Jean-Christophe Perrier celebrated success, and the 'Laser Run For All' event was a fantastic success as athletes young and old mixed in the spirit of competition.

On day two, the inaugural championships came to an exciting denouement with five Mixed Relay titles decided from Youth Level at under 17s (B) and 19s (A) to Juniors, Masters and Seniors.

Once again the host nation France performed strongly by picking up two golds, five silvers and one bronze medal across the five levels.

It was Egypt who came out top on the Under-17 B event with Mariam Amer and Mohamed Aboualfadl taking first place followed by Cloe Deguisne and Xavier Dufour (France) in second and Natia Machavariani and Gaga Khijakadze (Georgia) in third.

There was a 1-2 for the home nation in the Under-19s B event, Sophie Penaud and Matty Lamon followed home by compatriots Lisa Riff and Jean Baptiste Mourcia. Bronze was won by Sondos Aboubakr and Ahmed Elgendy (Egypt).

In the Juniors it was Mexico who took top honours thanks to a great display from Xochitl Olivares and Andres Garza. Silver went to Celie Lesnard and Pierre Dejardin (France) while Eliska Pribylova and Marek Grycz (Czech Republic) clinched third place.

There was triple success for France in the Masters event as they took all three podium places. Cecilia Geppier and Olivier Cabardos won gold ahead of silver medallists Mickaele Perrier and Jean-Christophe Perrier and third-placed Nathalie Picault and Edouard Jobet.

There were a number of well-known elite Pentathletes competing in the Seniors event and they didn’t let an expectant crowd down with some dazzling performances.

Gold went to Anastasiya Prokopenko – to add to her Senior Women’s title from the previous day – and Mikalai Hanyanouski (BLR) with Elodie Clouvel and Alexandre Hennard (FRA) claiming silver while Margaux Isaksen and Lucas Schrimshcr (USA) picked up bronze.

Dr Klaus Schormann, President of UIPM, said: “This weekend we have built up a historic milestone for the union. This Laser-
Run World Championship in Perpignan was so important for us.

“We had so many nations competing here and I think everybody understands now that this is the best promotion of pentathlon to enlarge our development projects for developing countries and also developed countries.

“The nations have accepted this competition and we will see much more in the future European Championships and other continental championships can be created.

“This World Championships in Perpignan is extraordinarily important for our UIPM movement and I would like to say to the world thank you to everybody who supported this idea.

“This is a great sport for all from athletes to spectators as there is always something happening and some real drama especially at the finishing line where all the athletes are pushing themselves to cross the line first.”

Joel Bouzou, Vice-President of UIPM and President of the French Modern Pentathlon Federation (FFPM), added: “I am very happy. The competition is fantastic - it’s fun, not only for the athletes but for the public, and we can see now that this concept gives UIPM fantastic potential for development.

“I’m sure we will have a lot of new athletes. Parents can enjoy it with their kids and it can help to develop citizenship within sport. At the same time it is fun, it is good for education, it is about physical exercise but

THE PALAIS DES CONGRES OF PERPIGNAN PROVIDED A PRESTIGIOUS SETTING FOR THIS HISTORIC EVENT

THE YOUTH B MIXED-RELAY EVENT PODIUM
also concentration and dealing with stress.

“I think we have a product that is fantastic for development and to create new pentathletes.”

Special care has been taken by UIPM to ensure the sustainability of the Laser-Run project. In addition to the support which will continue to be provided by UIPM and the various national federations and LOCs, the model using regional, qualifying competitions leading to a World Championships which is supported by the local tourism and convention entities provides an economic reward in the form of tourism for organizers. This economic benefit will ensure the long-term success of the initiative.
The UIPM 2015 Youth A World Championships in Buenos Aires, Argentina marked a special and historic milestone for the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne.

As well as playing host to 150 of the finest up-and-coming Modern Pentathletes from 30 countries, Buenos Aires staged the first official test event for Para-Pentathlon in the disciplines of swimming, fencing and shooting.

On the first day of finals for able-bodied athletes, Ilke Ozyuksel (Turkey) won Women's Individual gold after coming from way down the field in the Combined Event to overtake the favourites.

Haydy Morsy (EGY) took silver with Anna Zs Toth (HUN) forced to settle for bronze after having held an 18-second lead going into the Combined Event.

Ilke Ozyuksel (TUR) said: “I am so happy that I still cannot believe it. I did not have a good day in Swimming and Fencing so when I came to the Combined I knew that I needed to do much better to win the championship. So this sentence stuck in my mind: ‘Do it!’ From there I ran to the victory.”

Xenia Fralcova (RUS) made a good start to the day with first place in the Swimming in a time of 2:14.15. Salma Abdelmaksoud (EGY) was second in 2:14.38 followed by Spain’s Aroa Freije (ESP) in third.

On to the Fencing, and the leaderboard began to take shape with Sarolta Simon (HUN) taking first place in the event with 28 wins out of 35.

With 25 wins apiece, second place was shared by Anna Zs Toth (HUN) and Sophia Hernandez (GUA) with Kerenza Bryson (GBR) fourth posting 23 wins along with Haydy Morsy (EGY).

That left Anna Zs Toth (HUN) leading the competition overall giving her an 18 second start on her compatriot Sarolta Simon (HUN) heading into the Combined Event.
Hernandez (GUA) sat in third, a further seven seconds behind Simon (HUN), with an eight second gap to Morsy (EGY) in fourth and then the smallest margin of a second to Dalila Sciarra (ITA) in fifth and the same again to Rebecca Langrehr (GER).

There was high drama and tension in the Combined Event which provided a thrilling end to the day’s competition. Ilke Ozyuksel who had started the event way down the leaderboard put on a gritty and determined display to take the whole field by storm and clinch first place.

Also celebrating were Russia, who won gold in the Women’s Team event. Ekaterina Utina, Adelina Ibatullina and Xeina Fralcova stood on top of the podium alongside silver medallists Hungary (Sarolta Simon, Anna Zs Toth and Alexandra Boros) and bronze medallists Egypt (Haydy Morsy, Salma Abdelmaksoud and Sondos Aboubakr).

After a day of thrilling action, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: “First of all I want to say that I am more than happy that so many nations are participating here.

“Today the young Turkish girl winning was a big surprise for many people but not for those who have seen her in the senior level and how strong she is in the Combined Event.

“Bonus Fencing was played at the first time in the Youth A World Championships and the athletes loved it. I could see the emotion in their faces.”

On the following day, Serge Baranov (Russia) stormed a very closely positioned 36 strong field going into the final Combined Event to overcome a 13 second handicap and take the gold followed by Korean duo Changwan Seo (silver) and Daewon Kim (bronze).

The victorious Baranov (RUS) said: “I am very proud of this victory because I was competing against two strong Korean athletes and they made it very hard until the finish line.”

Dovidas Vaivada (LTU) took first place in the swimming in a time of 02:00.63 with Matteo Cicianelli (ITA) and Alexander Stepachev (RUS) closely following in his wake.

On to the Fencing and Luis Shivel (SPA) placed first with 23 wins out of 35 along with Changwan Seo (KOR). With
22 wins apiece Sherif Rashad (EGY) and Baranov (RUS) took third and fourth respectively. It was Rashad (EGY) who held pole position on the leaderboard with a seven-second start over Russia’s Stepachev (RUS) in second place. A further two seconds behind was Seo (KOR).

With just 17 seconds separating Rashad (EGY) in first and Vaivada (LTU) in seventh, there was all to play for heading into the Combined Event.

A gutsy performance from Daewon Kim (KOR) saw him overcome a 33-second handicap start to finish second with gold medallist Baranov (RUS) doing enough to take first overall with the third-best Combined Event performance.

In the team event, Korea (Changwan Seo, Daewon Kim and Woojin Park) won gold ahead of silver medallists Russia (Baranov, Stepachev, Petrov) and bronze medallists Mexico (Emiliano Hernandez, Dulio Carrillo and Juan Perez). On the final day, Russia rounded off a glorious weekend with gold in the Men’s Team Relay to bring the curtain down on the World Championships.

Fresh from Serge Baranov winning Men’s Individual gold the Russian team were in top form and finished clear of the Czech Republic in second and Egypt who claimed bronze and the country’s third medal of the championships.

In a sign of how the competition would unfold, all three medalists occupied the top three spots in the Fencing, the Egyptian team claiming 20 victories from 30 with Russia and the Czechs both just one win behind.

But the Russians grasped control of the competition with a blistering performance in the pool, finishing first in 1.51.03. Hosts Argentina swam second with the Czech Republic men in third in 1.55.69, a hair in front of the Egyptians in 1.55.72.

Korea, who had taken both silver and bronze in the Men’s individual event, finally showed their class to finish first in the combined in 10.21, but Russia were close behind in second and it was enough to seal gold ahead of the Czechs, Egyptians and the unlucky Koreans, who were pipped to bronze.

Germany withstood a ferocious late fightback from both Great Britain and Russia to claim gold in the Women’s Team Relay, finishing seven points clear of the field in the Argentine capital. The Germans had raced out in front with a dominant display in the Fencing, claiming 33 victories out of 48. In keeping with how the contest would pan out, the British were close behind with 31 victories and Russia
back in fifth with just 23. Russia roared back in the pool to take first place in a time of 2.03.47 with Germany and Britain back in fifth and sixth respectively.

A spirited challenge from both rivals in the Combined event looked like it may knock the Germans off top spot when the British team finished first in 12.19 with the Russians just a second back. However Germany held firm to take fifth place in the Combined and the gold medal. Britain took silver and Russia bronze.

In the Mixed Team Relay, Egypt were again among the medalists as they soared to gold with a performance that was all about consistency. After Haydy Morsy’s Women’s Individual silver medal, the Mixed team went one better thanks to top-five finishes in Fencing, Swimming and Combined.

It was eventual silver medalists, Mexico, who came out on top in the Fencing with 26 wins from 34 contests, one ahead of Egypt in second. At that stage, few would have believed Spain would find their way on to the podium, having finished well outside the top ten. Yet the Spanish roared back in the Swimming and Combined – taking first place in both – to claim bronze a medal.

Egypt’s steadiness won out however, a fourth place in the pool followed by a strong fifth-placed finish in the combined securing gold, comfortably clear of the Mexican team in second and Spain’s remarkable fightback earning bronze.

At the end of the championships, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: “Buenos Aires is the future Olympic city with the Youth Olympic Games in 2018 and this competition was being considered the first big test event so I am very pleased it has been such a success.

“The Argentinian Olympic Committee offered very strong support for the UIPM 2015 Youth A World Championships.”

Jorge Salas, President of the Argentinian Modern Pentathlon Federation and UIPM Executive Board Member, said he was delighted with the way the competition had gone. He said: “It was a competition in a high level with a demonstration of fair play by all these young athletes I want to keep showing the best of Argentina to the world through the sport of Modern Pentathlon.”
2015 BIATHLE/ TRIATHLE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
Fantastic races and emotion in Batumi

Another new UIPM venture enjoyed a successful dawn as the beachside venue of Batumi, Georgia hosted an excellent three-day Biathle/Triathle World Championships.

This inaugural event served as a powerful demonstration of passion and teamwork from a group of committed athletes.

Batumi exhibited its hosting capabilities before competitive proceedings began with a colourful opening ceremony which featured athletes from all participating nations marching with their flags under the symbolic Alphabet Tower.

On day one, there was a keenly contested Triathle Mixed Relay competition at all levels encompassing Youth A, B, C, D and E, Juniors, Seniors and Masters A, B. Egypt was particularly successful with three gold medals, while the Czech Republic also won two golds and Georgia brought cheer to the excited local crowd with two silver medals.

Egypt once again dominated the headlines on day two as they dominated the Triathle Boys and Girls competition encompassing Youth A, B, C, D and E along with the Juniors, Seniors (Women) and Masters winning 11 gold medals – quite some distance ahead of closest rivals Georgia, Russia and South Africa.

The commitment and passion of the athletes was exceptional in particularly hot weather, and South African athlete Osche Retief said after winning category Youth B: “I have been training so hard to achieve this. I love this sport.”

India made a little bit of history on the final day of the championships as Biathle took centre stage. Youth F athlete Akuskar Sawar Shivshankar picked up a bronze to become India’s first-ever Biathle medallist.

Alexandre Henrard (France) took gold in the highly anticipated Men’s Senior’s with Tomas Svoboda, twin brother of Olympic champion David Svoboda, in second. Gintare Venckauskaite of Lithuania took gold in the Women’s equivalent.

The championships were hailed as a resounding success both by UIPM and the Georgian MP Federation who organised the competition so well.

Viacheslav Malishev, President of Georgian Modern Pentathlon and Triathlon National Federation, said: “The competition was a big success for our federation and for
Georgia in general. We took extra care with our preparations because we wanted to have the best Biathle/Triathle World Championships ever.

"Georgia is a good example of how UIPM’s development programme is working. A few years ago we had no young athletes at all now we have the biggest team of the world championships.

“More than 800 people came here from abroad. We had 130 local volunteers from universities and I feel we have set a good example for other countries.”

Dr Klaus Schormann, President of the UIPM, said: “When I visited Batumi in May and I saw how well they were organising these Championships and now we can see the result. The water was warm and clean, great sunny weather for everybody and the athlete’s performances were outstanding. That is what I really liked to see.

“The volunteers were really engaged in setting up all the field of play and ensuring the smooth co-ordination of the event. It was a joy to behold.

“I am sure next year in Florida we will double the participants and maybe we have 50 countries coming there. It is a growing movement and sponsors and partners can tell this.

“Batumi leaves a special legacy for the UIPM. Everybody will go home with a great memory of a fantastic Biathle/Triathle World Championships here. The 32 countries involved will speak back home about Georgian hospitality. We are very optimistic for the future of Biathle and Triathle.”
Modern Pentathlon continued its journey towards the goal of being a Paralympic sport by hosting the first-ever Para-Pentathlon test event in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

The demonstration was organised during the UIPM 2015 Youth A World Championships after a collaboration between UIPM, the Argentinian Paralympic Committee (COPAR) and Pentathlon Moderno Argentina.

The event featured various para-athletes of the Argentina National Paralympic team exhibiting their skills to the media, youth athletes and public as well as local and international stakeholders.

The multi-disciplinary format was based on Para-Swimming, Para-Combined and Para-Fencing within the modern bonus round format officially in use by UIPM since 2014.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann has for some time been driving the Para-Pentathlon movement as chair of the Parapentathlon Working Group (PWG), and the demonstration was directed in conjunction with COPAR President Jose Maria Villadares and Jorge Salas, President of the Argentina MP Federation.

Dr Schormann said: "Disabilities have no barriers and it is important to integrate them with youth competition so that the young generation can witness the spirit of never giving up."

"We have a sport with great potential in which we are investing lots of energy now in the interests of future planning and I am sure that this is only the first step of many more towards our goal."

UIPM will continue to strive to develop the Para-Pentathlon movement with the aim of introducing the sport in time for the 2024 Paralympic Games.
Site Visit to Rio de Janeiro

UIPM representatives (Technical Delegate Bondi Kovats, Events Director Karen Myers, Competition Manager Philipp Waeffler and Media/Communications Assistant Leandro Pontes) visited the Headquarters of the Rio 2016 Olympic Games Organising Committee for meetings and a site visit to Deodoro Olympic Park (venues for the Modern Pentathlon competition and training) from 8-11 September. Attending all the meetings from Rio 2016 were Cerqueira Lima, Sport Group Manager; Celso Silva, Modern Pentathlon Manager; Ana Almeida – Service Manager and Milton Mosqueira – Technical Manager.

UIPM also met with many other representatives of Rio 2016 throughout the visit as Agenda topics included ITO/NTO Accommodation; NTO Education and Training; Competition Equipment; Transport; Competition and Training Venues; Test Event (2016 World Cup #2); Timetables and Schedules; Venue and FOP Plans; Publications; Sport Entries and Medical Services/Anti-Doping Control. The President of the Brazil Modern Pentathlon Confederation, Helio Mereilles joined the meeting for the discussion on next year’s Test Event and UIPM met with representatives from Omega/Swiss Timing.

The 4 days of meetings and venue visits were highly successful for both UIPM and the Organising Committee, resulting in the near finalisation of all the venue plans, including the location of the Fencing Bonus Round on the Field of Play as well as agreement of a shorter competition timetable. There was an update on all activities by Rio 2016, including the sourcing of the horses for both the Test Event and the Games as well as the plans for the educational programme of the National Technical Officials.

Detailed discussions were held on all aspects for the World Cup #2 event which will act as the Test Event for Modern Pentathlon in many areas including Field of Play, Sports Equipment, Competition Activity Schedule, Timing/Scoring/Results, Victory Ceremonies and Medical/Anti-Doping amongst other services.

Burkina Faso Development Camp

Under the steady hand of UIPM Technical Committee member Pedro Petrushinski (GER), an intensive two-week sub-Sahara development camp was held in Burkina Faso. The main goal of the exercise was to give athletes, coaches and officials from around the Africa region some preliminary training about UIPM rules and how to organize a competition with four events.

In the first week, 25 athletes aged between 7 and 25 from Burkina Faso attended a national training camp in Ouagadougou which involved daily swimming, shooting and running as well as an introduction to fencing. The week ended with a Biathle competition, after which the best six athletes from Burkina were selected for the second week’s international training camp. Athletes from six nations - Benin, Burkina Faso, Ivory Coast, Mali, Niger and Togo - took part and many of them travelled by bus for as long as 30-35 hours to be involved.
During the first session, it became apparent that some of the athletes were unable to swim but this was rectified during the week and in the final Triathle competition, only one boy was unable to complete the swimming distance.

The sessions were followed closely by the coaches, who asked questions throughout and by the end of the week were able to organized and correct errors in training by themselves.

The fortnight emphasised the challenges faced by countries that lack the infrastructure of member federations in the developed world but with motivation like that shown by the participants in this camp, there are fantastic possibilities for development.

The closing Triathle competition was held over the same distances used in Batumi at the World Biathle/Triathle Championships. More than 30 representatives from government, military, police and TV followed the competition and afterwards a representative of the Ministry of Sport addressed the group and thanked UIPM for supporting the camp.

The competition ended with a medal presentation and a farewell party.

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Taking second place on the day were the Germany team of Janine Kohlmann and Fabian Liebig while third went to the Lithuanians Ieva Serapinaite and Justinas Kinderis.

Alongside the Ministry of Defence Cup, UIPM Sport Director Janusz Peciak held a three-day international judges seminar at the Academy of Modern Pentathlon in Severny.

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Tributes to Eivind Bo Sørensen
Eivind Bo Sørensen passed away during the night on 27 September 2015. He was 70 years old.

Eivind had struggled with heart problems for some years and was in the process of having yet another operation.

Eivind devoted a considerable part of his life to modern pentathlon in Denmark. Initially as coach for the men’s team from the late 1970’s, and later he had success with the women’s team, leading up to the top performance level.

Eivind had understood that he needed a broad base for recruitment, and invested almost all week-evenings in the local swimming club. From there, he could select talents, that he judged would have the needed capabilities for developing into being full pentathletes.

He was a well organized leader with clear ideas of where he was going with pentathlon, in a small pentathlon country, where the possibilities at the time for his main influence were limited, but at the same time offered possibilities if performance could be demonstrated.

He had the fulfillment of achieving world championships with his female athletes, including one of his own daughters in at one point winning the World Championship Team bronze medal.

All at UIPM feel the sadness of his passing, but at the same time we wish to honour and pay tribute to Mr Sørensen who will always be part of the UIPM family.
Medical and Anti-Doping Corner

WADA Publishes 2016 Prohibited List

On 16 September, the World Anti-Doping Agency’s Executive Committee approved the 2016 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods, which is now available on WADA’s website in English. The List will come into force on 1 January 2016.

Updated annually, the List is one of five International Standards that are mandatory for all signatories of the World Anti-Doping Code (Code). It designates what substances and methods are prohibited in- and out-of-competition; and, which substances are banned in particular sports. According to the Code, if a substance or method is found to meet two of three criteria (enhances performance, poses a threat to athlete health, violates the spirit of sport), then it could be considered for placement on the List.

The List’s annual revision process is led by WADA and involves extensive consultation, which begins with a draft being circulated for comment amongst stakeholders. The comments are considered by WADA’s List Expert Group, which then presents its conclusions to WADA’s Health, Medical and Research Committee (HMRC). Once this process is concluded, the HMRC makes recommendations to WADA’s Executive Committee, which are discussed before making a final decision during its September meeting.

The new List can be found in the Medical Corner of the UIPM website (pentathlon.org).
On September 2, the COA President Dr Gerardo Werthein (IOC Member) and Vice-President Alicia Masoni de Morea hosted a working dinner, at which the UIPM and COA Presidents discussed preparations for the Rio de Janeiro 2016 Olympic Games, the realization of the IOC Agenda 2020 and the common preparations for the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games. They discussed Para-Pentathlon, three days ahead of its first official test competition during the Youth A championships. Dr Schormann was joined by President Jorge Salas, General Victor Figueroa and Benny Elmann-Larsen (President of the Danish Modern Pentathlon Association and member of the UIPM Commission for Para-Pentathlon).

During the Youth A World Championships the UIPM President met with President Jorge Salas, the Commandant of the Colegio Militar de la Nacion General de Brigada, Mr Carlos Alberto Podio and General Victor Figueroa to discuss the excellent infrastructure for training and competitions now and in the future in the Colegio Militar.
President Schormann also visited the Headquarters of FIBA and met with its Secretary General, Patrick Baumann to discuss political matters of international sport. During his visit Dr Schormann toured FIBA’s excellent museum and library in his capacity as Member of the IOC Commission for Culture and Olympic Heritage.

6-7 SEPTEMBER 2015 - GENEVE, SWITZERLAND

On his way to Lausanne, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann, together with Secretary General Shiny Fang, met Dr Peter Burger, President of Pentathlon Suisse, in Geneva. They briefed him about possibilities of new development projects for Pentathlon Suisse. Dr Burger has ambitious plans to reprise the long and great history of Modern Pentathlon in Switzerland.

7-9 SEPTEMBER 2015 - LAUSANNE, SWITZERLAND

On September 7 UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang met with IOC President Dr Thomas Bach in his office in Chateau de Vidy in Lausanne. They briefed Dr Bach on the ongoing development projects undertaken by UIPM and Modern Pentathlon preparations for the Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro 2016. They explained the format changes brought about by the introduction of Bonus Fencing and the presentation of Modern Pentathlon in all A category competitions and also discussed the proposed inclusion of the Mixed Relay in the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games based on the success of the event at all World Championships since 2010 and Youth Olympic Games in Singapore 2010 and Nanjing 2014.

The IOC President briefed Dr Schormann and Mrs Fang on the actions of the IOC after the passing of the IOC Agenda at the IOC Sessions in Monte Carlo in December 2014 and underlined the governing body’s close cooperation with all International Federations of the Olympic Movement.
16-20 SEPTEMBER 2015 - BATUMI, GEORGIA

During his visit to the UIPM 2015 Biathlete/Triathlete World Championships, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann met with Dr Viacheslav Malishev, President of the Modern Pentathlon and Triathlon Federation of Georgia, to discuss future competitions in Batumi and also in Tbilisi in the coming years.

Together they awarded the Honorary President of the MP-TFG, Prof Dr Dzhuansher Zaldastanishvili, with the golden UIPM Medal of Honour for his excellent achievements on behalf of Modern Pentathlon and the Olympic Movement in Georgia.

25-27 SEPTEMBER 2015 - PERPIGNAN, FRANCE

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann opened the historic 1st UIPM Laser-Run World Championships on September 25 in Perpignan together with Joel Bouzou, President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of France and Vice-President of UIPM, and UIPM Secretary General Shiny Fang.

While in Perpignan Dr Schormann and Mr Bouzou met with the Mayor, Jean-Marc Pujol, Senator Hermeline Maillherbe and Mr Hyacinthe Carrera to discuss future possibilities for youth competitions in Perpignan, based on the excellent facilities provided by the Pentathlon Centre in the Perpignan-Pyrenees region.

28 SEPTEMBER 2015 - BERLIN, GERMANY

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann met with the President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Berlin, Mrs Barbara Kauka, to review the 2015 UIPM Senior World Championships which took place in the city in July.

They highlighted in particular the success of the live TV broadcast arranged by German network ARD. Further discussions will take place over the possibility of a Para-Pentathlon competition in the Olympic Centre in Potsdam/Brandenburg.

DR. KLAUS SCHORMANN WITH DR. VIACHESLAV MALISHEV DURING THE 2015 BIATHLE/TRIATHLE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

DR. KLAUS SCHORMANN AWARDED THE GOLDEN UIPM MEDAL OF HONOUR TO PROF DR DZHUANSHER ZALDASTANISHVILI

DR. KLAUS SCHORMANN WITH DR. VIACHESLAV MALISHEV AND PROF DR DZHUANSHER ZALDASTANISHVILI DURING ONE AWARD CEREMONY OF THE 2015 BIATHLE/TRIATHLE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
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**UIPM 2015**

**CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS**

**DOHA, QATAR**

27 - 28 November 2015

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**Calendar**

**UIPM Competitions**

**OCTOBER**

- **CISM World Military Games**
  Mungyeong, KOR
  8-10 October 2015

- **Biathle-Triathle World Tour #5**
  Goa Velha, IND
  26-28 October 2015

**NOVEMBER**

- **UIPM 2015 Congress**
  Taipei, TPE
  7-8 November 2015

- **UIPM 2015 Champion of Champions**
  Doha, QAT
  27-28 November 2015

**Other International Competitions**

**October**

- **Olympic Hopes (Youth A&B)**
  Prague, CZE
  17-18 October 2015

- **Open Biathle-Triathle European Championships**
  Kusadası, TUR
  18 October - 1 November 2015

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**MODERN PENTATHLON | Key-Milestones**

“The Modern Pentathlon event would test a man's moral qualities as much as his physical resources and skills, producing thereby the ideal, complete athlete.”

*Baron Pierre de Coubertin*

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**PENTATHLON IN THE ANCIENT GAMES**

708 BC - Lampis of Sparta won the first ancient Pentathlon

**MODERN PENTATHLON**

- **1912** - Stockholm: First time in the Olympic Programme
- **1948** - London: the UIPM was established
- **1996** - Atlanta: First Olympic Games all 5 events took place in one day
- **1998** - Budapest, Mexico, Monaco, Olympia, Lausanne: UIPM celebrates 50th Anniversary
- **2000** - Sydney: First time women pentathletes competed in the Olympics
- **2004** - Athens: Pentathlon home after 2712 years
- **2010** - Singapore: Combined event (running and shooting) and laser pistol introduced into the Olympic programme
- **2012** - London: 100 Years of Modern Pentathlon in the Olympic Games
- **2014** - UIPM joins the International Paralympic Family and the University Sports Family
- **2016** - Rio de Janeiro: Fencing Bonus Round in the Olympic Games

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