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## CISM WORLD MILITARY GAMES WUHAN 2019



Zhang Linbin (CHN) looks on as Women's Individual champion Elodie Clouvel (FRA) shows her prowess on the Fencing piste at the 7th World Military Games





## CISM World Military Games Wuhan 2019



Action from the Swimming pool in Wuhan (CHN) during the 7th CISM World Military Games

### Clouvel (FRA) and Lifanov (RUS) lead the charge as China claim a share of World Military Games glory

The sport was originally conceived by Baron Pierre de Coubertin as the sporting embodiment of military skills - and Modern Pentathlon made its mark once again on the World Military Games during the seventh instalment in Wuhan (CHN).

The global gathering of military competitions always draws a strong field as many of the world's leading pentathletes seek to add another Category A medal to their portfolio.

Modern Pentathlon was one of 31

sports on the programme in Wuhan (CHN), where the official slogan was 'Military Glory / World Peace'.

The competition was overseen by CISM Modern Pentathlon and its President, Col Nilton Rolim, and the UIPM Technical Delegate Dmitrii Menshikov, with UIPM President Dr Klaus Schorrmann also in attendance.

Referees, judges and volunteers were provided by the Chinese Modern Pentathlon Association, which is preparing for a big year in 2020 as Xiamen (CHN) hosts the UIPM Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships in May and the UIPM Congress in November.

### Women's Final: Glory for Clouvel (FRA) and host nation China

Elodie Clouvel of France became the World Military Games Modern Pentathlon champion after a typically resilient performance in the Women's Final in Wuhan (CHN).

Silver went to Gulnaz Gubaydullina of Russia, while Salma Abdelmaksoud of Egypt won bronze and host nation China enjoyed a satisfying team gold medal.

Clouvel (FRA) was the top performer in Fencing, scoring 26V/9D, and second-fastest in the Swimming pool with a time of 2:12.54. However, the Rio



Tamara Alekszejev (HUN) takes on a Chinese rival on the Fencing piste, while crowds enjoy the Women's Riding competition



Rio 2016 Olympic silver medallist Elodie Clouvel (FRA) was the Women's Individual gold medallist

2016 Olympic silver medallist almost came unstuck in Riding, conceding 52 penalty points to allow her rivals to catch up in the overall standings.

Clouvel (FRA) needed to show her class in the Laser Run and she did just that, emerging with the second-fastest time of 12:18.38 to win by 8sec from Gubaydullina (RUS) with Abdelmaksoud (EGY) a further 10sec behind.

Anna Maliszewska of Poland finished 4th and the next two places went to local favourites Bian Yufei (CHN) and Wang Wei (CHN), leading China to an impressive team gold medal with help from 14th-placed Wang Shiqi (CHN).

Russia claimed team silver thanks to Gubaydullina, Adelina Ibatullina (13th) and Kseniia Fraltsova (16th), while team bronze went to the Poland team of Maliszewska, Oktawia Nowacka (15th) and Natalia Dominiak (21st).

### Men's Final: Lifanov leads Russia to the top of the podium

Alexander Lifanov of Russia led Russia to double gold on the penultimate day of the World Military Games Modern Pentathlon in Wuhan (CHN).



Lifanov (RUS) won a closely-contested Men's Final and led his country to team gold with the help of Ilia Shugarov (6th) and Ilia Frolov (24th).

Lee Jihun of Korea claimed the silver medal, finishing only 4sec behind the champion, with bronze medallist Kirill Kasyanik of Belarus a further 11sec adrift.

That meant there was no medal for world No.3 Marvin Dogue of Germany, who finished 4th, ahead of Christopher Patte of France in 5th.

Korea took home the team silver thanks to the combined efforts of Lee Jihun, Lee Donggi (13th) and Park Sanggu (18th), while bronze went to Poland courtesy of Szymon Staskiewicz (9th), Lukasz Gutkoswki (14th) and Sebastian Stasiak (17th).

Kasyanik (BLR) and Lifanov (RUS) were the best performers in Fencing, each scoring 24V/11D with Kasyanik (BLR) winning the final bout in the Bonus Round. Lee Jihun (KOR) kept in touch

China dominated in Swimming as Han Jiahao (CHN) timed 2:01.83 with Li Changheng (CHN) not far behind in 2:02.18.

Kasyanik (BLR) and Lifanov (RUS) each scored 293 in Riding, but Lee Jihun (KOR) enjoyed a clean round and that enabled him to take the overall lead.

Lifanov (RUS) started the Laser Run with a 6sec handicap but he overtook both Kasyanik (BLR) and Lee (KOR) to claim the glory.

#### **Mixed Relay: Abdelmaksoud and Hamad (EGY) do it again**

Seven weeks after becoming world champions in Budapest (HUN), Salma Abdelmaksoud and Eslam Hamad of Egypt rediscovered the winning formula to win the Mixed Relay at the World Military Games Modern Pentathlon in Wuhan (CHN).



Alexander Lifanov (RUS) and Wu Hepeng (CHN) do battle on the Fencing piste



Action from the Men's Riding and Laser Run as an intense competition draws to a close



Russia (Alexander Lifanov, Ilia Shugarov and Ilia Frolov) celebrate winning the Men's Team competition alongside Korea (silver) and Poland (bronze)

With 13 nations competing for the last medals of the Games, Egypt (Abdelmaksoud & Hamad) prevailed in a tight contest by 9sec from Blanka Guzi and

Adam Marosi of Hungary, who were forced to settle for silver. There was more success for the host nation as Wang Wei and Zhang Linbin of China

emerged from a tough battle with Italy (Elena Micheli & Gianluca Micozzi) to claim the bronze and finish the Games on a high.



Action from the Riding and Laser Run disciplines of the Mixed Relay on the final day of competition in Wuhan (CHN)





ROAD TO TOKYO

Qualification update

Halfway to heaven for the Olympic gladiators of Modern Pentathlon

The entry list is almost halfway to completion. The sense of anticipation is growing.

With nine months to go until the 25th Olympic Modern Pentathlon, 17 female and 17 male pentathletes have secured a qualification place on behalf of their nations.

Pending selection by their National Olympic Committees, each of these athletes can start to live the dream, to plot their course to the podium that will be erected in Tokyo Stadium, where the ultimate prize in sport awaits.

In some countries, there will be tough conversations about which two athletes of each gender to select. In Belarus, qualification places have been earned by the 2019 women's individual world champion, Volha Silkina, and Iryna Prasiantsova.

But the 2018 world champion, Anastasiya Prokopenko, could also earn qualification next year. All three stood atop the podium as team world champions in Budapest (HUN), but only two can go to Tokyo.

Similarly, Lithuania's women athletes have already earned two quota places, while the men of Great Britain and France have done the same. Internal rivalries are sure to come into play in the coming months.

For the majority of the 34 qualified athletes who will have a sense of assurance about their position, the

ROAD TO TOKYO: 2020 OLYMPIC QUALIFIERS	
Women	Men
Haydy Morsy (EGY)	Sherif Nazeir (EGY)
Laura Asadauskaite (LTU)	Joseph Choong (GBR)
Mariana Arceo (MEX)	Charles Fernandez (GUA)
Samantha Achterberg (USA)	Esteban Bustos (CHI)
Leydi Moya (CUB)	Sergio Villamayor (ARG)
Maria Chaves (BRA)	Lester Ders (CUB)
Lourdes Cuaspud (ECU)	Amro Elgeziry (USA)
Kate French (GBR)	Jamie Cooke (GBR)
Iryna Prasiantsova (BLR)	Valentin Prades (FRA)
Annika Schleu (GER)	Martin Vlach (CZE)
Natalya Coyle (IRL)	Lukasz Gutkowski (POL)
Gintare Venckauskaite (LTU)	Bence Demeter (HUN)
Marie Oteiza (FRA)	Justinas Kinderis (LTU)
Adelina Ibatullina (RUS)	Alexander Lifanov (RUS)
Sarolta Kovacs (HUN)	Patrick Dogue (GER)
Volha Silkina (BLR)	Valentin Belaud (FRA)
Elena Micheli (ITA)	Jun Woongtae (KOR)

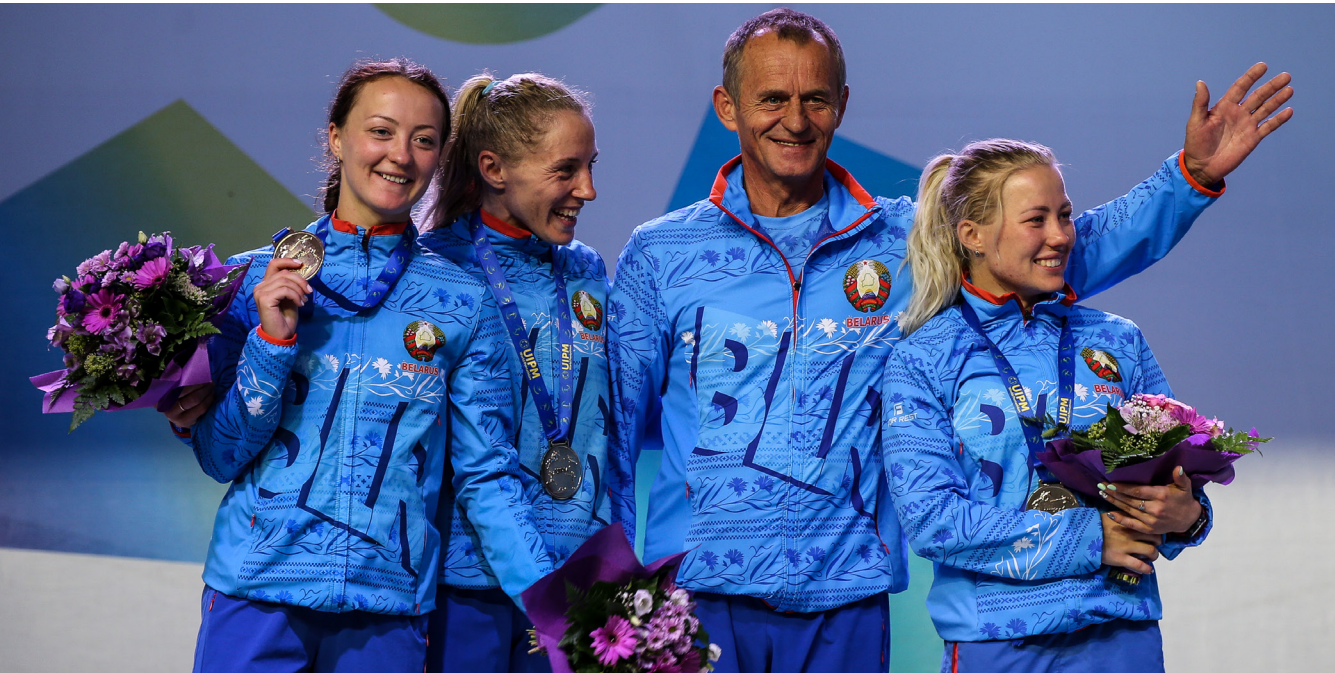
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relief will be immense. With the primary pressure of qualification out of the way, they can start to tackle the secondary pressure – performing to their best in Tokyo.

So who else will be among the 72

gladiators competing in the capital city of Japan next August, and how will they get there?

The next qualification opportunity comes in November (11-21), when the Asia/Oceania Championships



Belarus athletes (left to right) Volha Silkina, Anastasiya Prokopenko and Iryna Prasiantsova celebrate their team gold medal from the World Championships

and Olympic Qualifier will take place in Wuhan (CHN). Ten athletes from Asia (five women and five men) will earn qualification places here, along with one female and one male from Oceania. The reigning women's Olympic champion, Chloe Esposito (AUS), is aiming to overcome injury in time to compete.

After that, 26 places will remain up for grabs, with a range of pathways in 2020 promising to lead the world's most versatile athletes to their coveted destination.

Six automatic places (three each for women and men) will be on offer in Xiamen (CHN) during the UIPM 2020

Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships in May.

Japan, as host nation, will be guaranteed at least one place per gender, and two places per gender will be reserved for the Tripartite Commission, which has the right to allocate berths by invitation to NOCs that apply before 17 January, 2020.

That leaves about 12 places to be earned by right, and this will be where the key battleground takes place next year. The UIPM Olympic World Ranking List will be closely monitored throughout the Pentathlon World Cup season as athletes vie for position, hoping to secure one of 12 places (six

female, six male) when the final list is published on 1 June – one day after the end of the World Championships.

In June 2020, the process of selection will be formalised as NOCs and National Federations are officially informed of the number of quota places they have earned, with the option of handing any or all of them back, leading to a reallocation according to the ranking list. July 6 is the deadline for all entries to Tokyo 2020 – the day when we will know for sure the identity of those 72 gladiators.

Visit [uipmworld.org/olympic-games](http://uipmworld.org/olympic-games) for a full explanation of the Tokyo 2020 qualification process.



ROAD TO TOKYO: QUALIFICATION TIMELINE	
NOV 11-21, 2019	Asia & Oceania Championships (Wuhan, CHN)
JAN 17, 2020	Tripartite Commission application deadline
MAY 25-31, 2020	UIPM Pentathlon World Ch'ships (Xiamen, CHN)
JUN 1, 2020	UIPM Olympic World Ranking List finalised
JUL 6, 2020	Tokyo 2020 entries deadline
JUL 24 - AUG 9, 2020	Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games
AUG 6-8, 2020	Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games Modern Pentathlon

Li Shuhuan (CHN) will be trying to qualify for Tokyo 2020 in November 2019



## UIPM 2019 Biathlon/Triathlon World Championships



Action from the start line in Saint Petersburg (USA) as youth athletes prepare to test their skills

### Multi-sport masses descend on Saint Petersburg (USA)

They have both qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games and two of the USA's leading pentathletes set the standard in the senior categories at the UIPM 2019 Biathlon/Triathlon World Championships in Saint Petersburg (USA).

Samantha Achterberg produced a remarkable clean sweep, becoming individual world champion in both Biathlon and Triathlon and teaming up with Amro Elgeziry to claim Mixed Relay gold in both formats.

The Men's Individual titles were claimed by Barrett Celecki (USA) in Triathlon and Tiago Sousa of Portugal in Biathlon.

In the youth, junior and Masters categories, numerous countries enjoyed success, including Kazakhstan and Japan from Asia, Egypt and South Africa from Africa, Guatemala and the USA from the Americas and Great Britain, France, Germany, Portugal and Spain from Europe.

More than 420 athletes from 33



A South African youth strides out in front after a transition from Swimming to Running (above), while a Great Britain athlete emerges from the water (right)

countries took part across Biathlon (Run-Swim-Run) and Triathlon (Swim-Run-Shoot) from October 24-27.

Competing on the Florida beach were people with an age span of more than 60 years. The age categories in Biathlon ranged from Under-9 to Masters 70+ while Triathlon spanned Under-11 to Masters 60+.

UIPM Executive Board Member for Sport and 1976 Olympic champion Janusz Peciak, said: "The UIPM 2019 Biathlon/Triathlon World Championships was a wonderful showcase for two of the most important development sports in our movement.

"We saw high levels of skill, dedication and commitment across all age categories – and not just from







the countries with established development programmes.

"It was great to see athletes from countries like Singapore winning medals, and Japan continued to enjoy good results thanks to their increased focus on UIPM Sports through hosting the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

"We must continue to develop the sports that form the base of a pyramid structure supporting our flagship sport of Modern Pentathlon, which has been a core part of the Olympic Games programme since 1912.

"Biathle and Triathle, like Laser Run, play a vital role in giving young athletes an entry point to UIPM Sports and a chance to develop their multi-sport abilities."

The Triathle format is likely to become more visible in other UIPM multi-

*Samantha Achterberg (USA) celebrates one of her many victories as other female athletes take aim at the shooting range (below)*



sports in future, after the formation of two working groups to consider the format of Tetrathlon and Modern Pentathlon. Indeed, the New Tetrathlon format that has already been approved

by the UIPM Executive Board, pending the creation of a final framework and rules, adds Fencing to Triathle to create a more dynamic and spectator-friendly four-discipline sport.

*An Egyptian athlete shows determination during the Running discipline (above) and there is a moment of celebration for a Mixed Relay duo from Japan (below)*





## UIPM 2019 Global Laser Run City Tour



*It may be raining but these youth athletes don't seem to mind as they burst from the start line in Panama City (PAN)*

### Families united in Panama City (PAN)

South America recently became the first continent in the world to have a 100% representation of UIPM national federations, and Panama is one of several countries energetically promoting grassroots development.

The country held its first edition of the Global Laser Run City Tour on August 24, giving young athletes and family members their first taste of competitive Laser Run and the urban sports phenomenon that has spread across the world since its introduction in 2017.

Panama City will host the Central American and Caribbean Games in

2022, providing aspiring pentathletes with a major incentive to work towards.

Lutgardis Arrue, President of the Panama Modern Pentathlon Union (UPPM), said: "The 2019 GLRCT in Panama was carried out successfully, exceeding expectations. The participants were all very excited and have asked for the event to be repeated.

"The sports authorities were impressed as it was the first time an event of this kind had been held, and it was developed in a very organized way. It was a motivating event that brought the families together and led us to detect talents that we hope to incorporate into the rest of the sports disciplines of the Modern Pentathlon."

UIPM Technical Delegate Ana Ruth Orellana (GUA), who oversaw the competition, added: "Panama has a lot of talent, many young kids competed and they were excited and loved the format. I hope the federation use this momentum to bring through some new athletes."

### Athletes earn their wings at Air Force University in Kharkiv (UKR)

Few countries have embraced the Global Laser Run City Tour as readily as Ukraine, and the last instalment of another busy year of events took place in Kharkiv on September 29.

Racing took place at the military campus of the Kharkiv National Air



*Action from the shooting range and the running track in Kharkiv (UKR)*

Force University and 254 athletes came from six regions of Ukraine to take part, brushing off the challenge of high winds.

At the opening ceremony, University Rector Gen Turinsky Oleksandr described Laser Run as one of the best competition formats not only for athletes but also for the military students. He said: "You can practise all necessary skills by taking part in Pentathlon and Laser Run."

Khristoev Victor, regional head of the National Olympic Committee, added: "Modern Pentathlon is a very good sport for all seasons and for all ages."

Gariachev Anatoly, the head of the local organising committee, thanked UIPM and the Ukraine Modern Pentathlon Federation for their support and said: "Because of the big efforts of UIPM, more and more people are joining the Pentathlon family at every competition.

"Now the number of young pentathletes in Kharkiv is very big because of the



*Successful youth athletes pose with their certificates on the podium*

new and attractive format of Laser Run."

The GLRCT in Kharkiv followed similarly successful instalments in Kiev, Dnipro, Zhitomir and Lviv earlier in 2019.

### Huge gathering in Hurghada (EGY) for UIPM Sports festival

The UIPM Sports movement in Egypt built on the success of the

UIPM 2018 Biathlon-Triathlon World Championships with another mass gathering in the autumn of 2019.

Hurghada (EGY) proved yet again to be a magnetic host as 338 athletes took part in the first day of the Biathlon-Triathlon National Tour and 145 on the second day in the last week of September.

Participants came from 23 Pentathlon



clubs across five cities as the 2019 BTNT circuit created another thrilling instalment.

A Global Laser Run City Tour was run in parallel to the BTNT, with 414 athletes from Under 9 to Masters 60+ enjoying another experience of UIPM’s fastest-growing development sport.

A spokesperson for the local organising committee said: “It was a big celebration, drawing a large number of athletes and family members plus coaches and team leaders from all the clubs in Egypt. There were also about 35 technical officials and administrators and 25 volunteers.

“The competition ran smoothly and according to the new Biathle-Triathle test event rules, and at the end of the competition I believe everybody was really happy, because the Egyptian Federation gave medals and diplomas to the top eight athletes in each age group.

“All coaches were really thankful for this opportunity because it helps them to include more new athletes in the future and encourage them to develop Pentathlon skills.”

Viacheslav Malishev, UIPM Executive Board Member for Development, said: “Biathle and Triathle are two of the pillars of UIPM’s global development programme, enabling athletes to transition between running, swimming and, in the case of Triathle, laser shooting and enhance their chance of becoming pentathletes.

“I am delighted that the UIPM Biathle-Triathle National Tour is up and running again and I congratulate everybody involved in this year’s event in Egypt on an excellent competition that was clearly enjoyed by many people.

“It was also impressive to see the organisers in Hurghada arranging a Global Laser Run City Tour in parallel.

“Egypt is a true pillar of our Union with



Action from the beach in Hurghada (EGY) where Laser Run met Biathle and Triathle



Youth athletes hone their shooting skills on the range in Hurghada (EGY)

excellent development programmes in place, and Hurghada will once again be a focal point in 2020 when it hosts the UIPM Youth World Championships (U19/U17).”

The Global Laser Run City Tour was created in 2017 to provide an entry point to UIPM Sports for people of all ages in urban communities around the world.

Another 100 cities were selected in 2019 as hosts of the GLRCT or the Biathle-Triathle National Tour. The full calendar can be viewed at the UIPM

website, where you can also find more information on UIPM’s various multi-discipline sports.

In September, the UIPM Laser Run World Championships was incorporated into the Pentathlon World Championships for the first time in Budapest (HUN), where Laser Run also featured as a showcase sport at the 1st World Urban Games.

In December, Laser Run and Triathle will both feature for the first time in the 30th Southeast Asian (SEA) Games in the Philippines.



News from around the world

‘The future of Modern Pentathlon and Tetrathlon is in your hands’

Twenty-one of the most respected individuals in the UIPM Sports movement have been appointed to two working groups charged with shaping the future of Modern Pentathlon and Tetrathlon.

The composition of the New Pentathlon Working Group (NPWG) and New Tetrathlon Working Group (NTWG) has been agreed by the UIPM Executive Board (EB) in the wake of its approval of a New Tetrathlon format for the Youth Olympic Games Dakar 2022 in September 2019.

The 17-strong NPWG and 12-strong NTWG will meet in Frankfurt-am-Main (GER) on January 24-25, 2020 to develop proposals to go before the EB at its next meeting at Olympic House, the new headquarters of the International Olympic Committee, in Lausanne (SUI) on January 30-31. The EB will then consider motions to be put before the UIPM 2020 Congress in Xiamen (CHN) in November 2020.

The NPWG’s objective at its meeting in January will be to agree on a basic concept for a New Pentathlon format proposed for introduction at the Olympic Summer Games Paris 2024, and to map out the testing process.

If the group recommendations’s are approved and implemented, it would herald the start of another chapter of innovation in the evolution of UIPM’s 107-year-old core Olympic sport.

Members of the NPWG already had an ad-hoc meeting in Budapest (HUN) on September 9 to discuss the direction of travel for the group. Areas for discussion will include a more

NEW PENTATHLON / NEW TETRATHLON WORKING GROUPS	
Pentathlon	Tetrathlon
Dr Klaus Schormann (GER)	Dr Klaus Schormann (GER)
Joel Bouzou (FRA)	Shiny Fang (CHN)
Shiny Fang (CHN)	Janusz Peciak (POL)
Ivar Sisniega (MEX)	Aya Medany (EGY)
Janusz Peciak (POL)	Christian Roudaut (FRA)
Charles Fernandez (GUA)	Dr Viacheslav Malishev (GEO)
Christian Roudaut (FRA)	Dr Douglas Stull (USA)
Dr Natalja Ofitserova (BLR)	Bernhard Petruschinski (GER)
Dr Viacheslav Malishev (GEO)	Ana Ruth Orellana (GUA)
Bernhard Petruschinski (GER)	Ichiro Tomiyasu (JPN)
Rob Stull (USA)	Philipp Waeffler (SUI)
Kitty Chiller (AUS)	Alexandre Franca (BRA)
Sharif Elerian (EGY)	
Istvan Gallai (HUN)	
Dongkook Chung (KOR)	
Philipp Waeffler (SUI)	
Alexandre Franca (BRA)	

compact format, a shorter duration, continuous competition and reduced venue infrastructure.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: “Modern Pentathlon has been ever-present as a core sport on the Olympic Summer Games programme since it was introduced by Baron Pierre de Coubertin in Stockholm in 1912. Similarly, Tetrathlon has been on the

programme of every Youth Olympic Summer Games since the creation of the Games in Singapore in 2010.

“New Tetrathlon has already been subject to a rigorous series of test events in 2019, and now is the time for the New Tetrathlon Working Group to carry out the instruction of the UIPM Executive Board to develop a framework and detailed rules.





"We are very proud of the dramatic and dynamic changes made to the Modern Pentathlon in recent decades. The sport envisaged by Coubertin continues to represent the most complete examination of any athlete competing in the Olympic Games, while offering spectators more excitement and a better showcase for each of the Pentathlon disciplines.

"At the same time, the attitude of our Union is that innovation never stops, and we can always improve our sport, especially in the way it is presented to new audiences who have different consumption habits.

"The New Pentathlon Working Group stands ready to create an exciting set of recommendations for the UIPM Executive Board to consider in January. I congratulate everyone who has been appointed to the working groups. You have been entrusted with a great responsibility and I look

forward to working with you on this exciting project. The future of Modern Pentathlon and Tetrathlon is in your hands."

New Tetrathlon incorporates Fencing into the existing UIPM Sport of Triathlon, which combines Swimming with Laser Run. The new format was successfully tested in Buenos Aires (ARG), Cairo (EGY), Perpignan (FRA) and Weiden (GER) earlier this year.

The NTWG comprises eight individuals who are also on the NPWG, because of their central role in both sports.

The Biathlon-Triathlon Working Group requested by UIPM 2018 Congress has also been studying and testing new distance adaptations since February 2019. This group is responsible for strengthening pathways from development sports to Modern Pentathlon within the UIPM Sports pyramid.

### UIPM seeks applicants for Level 3 coaching course in Leiria (POR)

UIPM has scheduled its second Level 3 course for coaches aspiring to gain a senior qualification through the Coaching Certification Programme (CCP).

In conjunction with the Portuguese Modern Pentathlon Federation, UIPM will host the course in Leiria (POR) from December 16-20, 2019.

Portugal has already organized courses at all four CCP levels in the past two years, and the Level 3 syllabus is designed to certify professional coaches already involved in Modern Pentathlon.

The course, conducted in English at the Estádio Municipal de Leiria, will consist of 40 hours of theoretical and practical tuition and is eligible to coaches who meet the following criteria:

■ Holder of an International Coach Certificate issued by UIPM or a National Coach Licence for Modern Pentathlon (in specific circumstances, written approval may be granted by UIPM).

■ Certified as a practising coach at national or regional level in any of the UIPM disciplines or any related discipline.

■ Experience of coaching an athlete who has reached the finals in a UIPM Category A competition that has a qualification round or semi-final.

### Pentathlon development has lift-off in Baghdad (IRQ)

Iraq is one of the newest members of UIPM's global family and authorities are looking to capitalise on a successful introductory event held on Pierre de Coubertin Pentathlon Day.

The Iraq Fencing & Modern Pentathlon Federation enabled 200 young athletes, including 32 girls, to get a taste of UIPM Sports with a combined Fencing and Running event at the Rusafa Sports Complex in the capital city of Baghdad on September 8.

The event, which drew participants from Baghdad, Diyala, Maysan, Basra, Karbala and Kirkuk, was attended by the Iraqi National Olympic Committee and Minister of Youth and Sports.

The Federation President, Zeyad Hasan Jasim Saleem, said: "We have events scheduled for December 2019 and we will try to host an expert from outside Iraq in order to help us organize and provide some equipment for the Modern Pentathlon through cooperation with other federations.

"The festival comprised Fencing and Running because we didn't have facilities for holding all the other disciplines, which we hope to provide later.

"We hope that we will cooperate to



A special presentation to mark the historic celebration of Pierre de Coubertin Pentathlon Day in Iraq



Coubertin's message is displayed on banners (above) as young athletes are awarded medals





spread this important sport in Iraq and make our federation one of the active federations in the world."

Iraq's application to join UIPM as an International Federation provisional member was approved by the UIPM Executive Board in Budapest (HUN) in September 2019.

It will be put forward for ratification by the UIPM 2020 Congress in Xiamen (CHN).

#### UIPM Executive Board Activities: Member for Development

UIPM is pursuing the inclusion of Triathlon in the Mediterranean Beach Games (MBG) and work continued towards this goal during the International Federations (IF) Forum in Lausanne (SUI).

Viacheslav Malishev, UIPM Executive Board Member for Development, followed up on a meeting with MBG Secretary General Iakovos Filippousis that took place during MBG 2019 in Patras (GRE).

Their latest meeting enabled Mr Malishev to underline the progress of UIPM's development activities, supported by the UIPM Sports Pyramid which shows Modern Pentathlon at the top, supported by a wide range of multi-sports at the base.

Mr Malishev said: "We picked up on



Viacheslav Malishev (right) with MBG Secretary General Iakovos Filippousis

some of the topics discussed in our first meeting in Patras, and I stressed the importance of Triathlon's inclusion in the Games and having not only individual medals for each gender but also a Mixed Relay.

"Mr. Filippousis is very positive about the idea and likes our proposal of including Beach Triathlon in the Mediterranean Beach Games. A road map and action plan has been set."

The first MBG took place in 2015.

#### NORCECA Masters come together for first time in Marietta (USA)

The UIPM Masters movement has entered new territory with the first continental championships to be staged in North and Central America. The 2019 Pentathlon and Tetrathlon Masters Open NORCECA Championships took place in Marietta (USA) from October 5-6, with teams coming from Ukraine as well as neighbouring Canada and the USA itself. The event in Atlanta, Georgia

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Masters athletes savour their participation in Marietta (USA)

comes in the wake of the recent ECMP Masters European Open Championships in Gyomro (HUN) and demonstrates the global scope of the movement.

It was organised by Keith Berryhill and Atlanta Team Pentathlon and marked the first time that Pentathlon Masters from North and Central America had come together to identify their continental champions.

UIPM Masters Committee Chair Peter Engerisser said: "This competition was an important start signal for future

multinational Masters competitions on the American continent.

"Many thanks to Keith Berryhill and Atlanta Team Pentathlon for taking the initiative and making every effort to organize and conduct this event in a professional manner. And to all athletes, female and male, who undertook some long journeys and came to Marietta to compete."

If you are interested in getting involved in the UIPM Masters movement, contact Peter Engerisser via email ([peter@engerisser.de](mailto:peter@engerisser.de)).



The NORCECA Masters pose after the Fencing discipline



#### Hanno Selg 1932-2019

The Rome 1960 Olympic silver medallist, Hanno Selg, has died at the age of 87.

Born in Tartu in Estonia in 1932, Selg became a strong component of the Soviet Union Modern Pentathlon team and it was with this team that he enjoyed his crowning glory.

Finishing 10th in the individual Olympic Pentathlon in Rome, he contributed to the USSR's 2nd place overall alongside the legendary Igor Novikov and Nikolai Tatarinov. Hungary won team gold and USA picked up the bronze.

Selg was operating at the peak of his powers at this time; he was also USSR national champion in 1960 and won the Estonian Soviet Socialist Republic (SSR) title six times between 1953 and 1965.

He demonstrated his versatility as an athlete by also competing in fencing and skiing. At the 1952 Estonian Skiing Championships, he won a silver medal in the 4x10km cross-country relay and a bronze in the slalom.

In 1965, he became Estonian champion in team epee. In 1960 Selg was voted Estonian athlete of the year in recognition of his Olympic success. In 2010, he received an Honorary Decoration of the Estonian Olympic Committee.



## Tournament & Training Camp Invitations

This is an important notice for all Athletes and Competitions organisers to continuously check pentathlon.org for all information related to invitations and visa letters.

Navigate to the National Federations Portal or to [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org) to stay up to date with all tournament news.

### COMPETITION / EVENT INVITATIONS

**U24 Junior European Championships**  
Drzonkow (POL)  
NOV 19-25

**2019 Asian Championships & Olympic Qualifier**  
Wuhan (CHN)  
NOV 11-21

## Medical and Anti-Doping Corner

### WADA PUBLISHES 2019 LIST OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has published its 2019 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods, an important resource for anyone involved in the UIPM Sports and the wider international sporting movement.

The list, which came into force on January 1, 2019, is accompanied by the 2019 Summary of Major Modifications and Explanatory Notes - which serves to help athletes, coaches and other support personnel to understand the latest changes - and the 2019 Monitoring Program.

"WADA is pleased to announce the publication of the 2019 Prohibited List," said WADA Director General, Olivier Niggli. "It is one of the cornerstones of the global anti-doping program. Every year, we review the List in consultation with a wide range of stakeholders. It is vital that we stay ahead of those that endeavour to cheat the system so in reviewing the List, experts review sources such as scientific and medical research, trends, and intelligence gathered from law enforcement and pharmaceutical companies."

For a substance or method to be added to the List, it must be determined that it meets two of the following three criteria: a) it has the potential to enhance or enhances sport performance; b) it represents an actual or potential health risk to the athletes; c) it violates the spirit of sport. Athletes who have a legitimate medical reason for using a prohibited substance or method that is on the List may be accommodated if they meet the criteria outlined in the International Standard for Therapeutic Use Exemptions (ISTUE).

The 2019 Prohibited List, Summary of Modifications and Monitoring Program are available for download on WADA's website in English, French and Spanish.



## Inside UIPM: Monthly activities of President Dr Schormann



UIPM President Dr Schormann with Interim Assistant Lena Nussbaumer (left) and Pagona Sonndag

### 08.10.2019, Darmstadt, GER

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann welcomed a new Interim Assistant, Lena Nussbaumer, who will provide maternity cover for Pagona Sonndag when she temporarily leaves the President's Office to have her first child in December 2019.

### 16.10.2019, Beijing, CHN

President Dr Schormann embarked on an extended visit to China hosted by the local organizing committee of the UIPM 2020 Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships in Xiamen (CHN).

On the first day, October 16, he was joined by Secretary General Shiny Fang at a special Xiamen 2020 World Championships press conference at



President Dr Schormann addresses the Xiamen 2020 UIPM Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships press conference in Beijing (CHN)





Journalists at the press conference in Beijing (CHN)

the 'Bird's Nest' Olympic Stadium in the capital city of Beijing.

This large-scale media event featured the presentation of various competition sponsors and a sequence of videos and performances. The Xiamen 2020 mascot was also revealed, along with a group of

Pentathlon statuettes depicting the five disciplines.

President Dr Schormann made a wide-ranging speech covering the history of Modern Pentathlon in China and the exciting prospect of the 60th UIPM World Championships taking place in

a state-of-the-art Pentathlon Arena in Xiamen in 2020 - 10 years after the 50th instalment of the competition took place in Chengdu (CHN).

Dr Schormann also highlighted the UIPM 2020 Congress, which will take place in Xiamen (CHN) in November next year



Statuettes representing the five disciplines of Modern Pentathlon are on show in Beijing (CHN)



A thumbs up from UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang alongside the Xiamen 2020 local organising committee

with UIPM targeting a record attendance of 150 countries.

President Bin Zhang and Secretary General Shen Kejian.

for Xiamen 2020 in the office of Hang Xiao (President of Fujian Ma Yun Valley Culture Development).

Xu Haifeng, Vice President of the Chinese Modern Pentathlon Association (CMPA) and the first Chinese Olympic gold medalist in free pistol shooting (Los Angeles 1984), was also present at the press conference, along with CMPA

**17.10-18.10.2019, Xiamen, CHN**

On October 17, President Dr Schormann arrived in Xiamen and had a meeting with the operations team

On October 18, President Schormann visited the spectacular stadium that will be turned into a Pentathlon Arena for the UIPM 2020 Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships.



Dr Schormann meets the competition mascot and (right) with Shiny Fang and CMPA Vice President Xu Haifeng





Dr Schormann meets members of the local organizing committee and inspects the 2020 World Championships competition stadium in Xiamen (CHN)

The UIPM President also met with the Vice Mayor of Xiamen, Guo Guirong, Deputy District Head Lian Haicang and City Government officials to discuss preparatory steps for the 60th UIPM Pentathlon World Championships in Xiamen (May 24-31), as well as the UIPM 2020 Congress taking place later in the year (November 13-15).

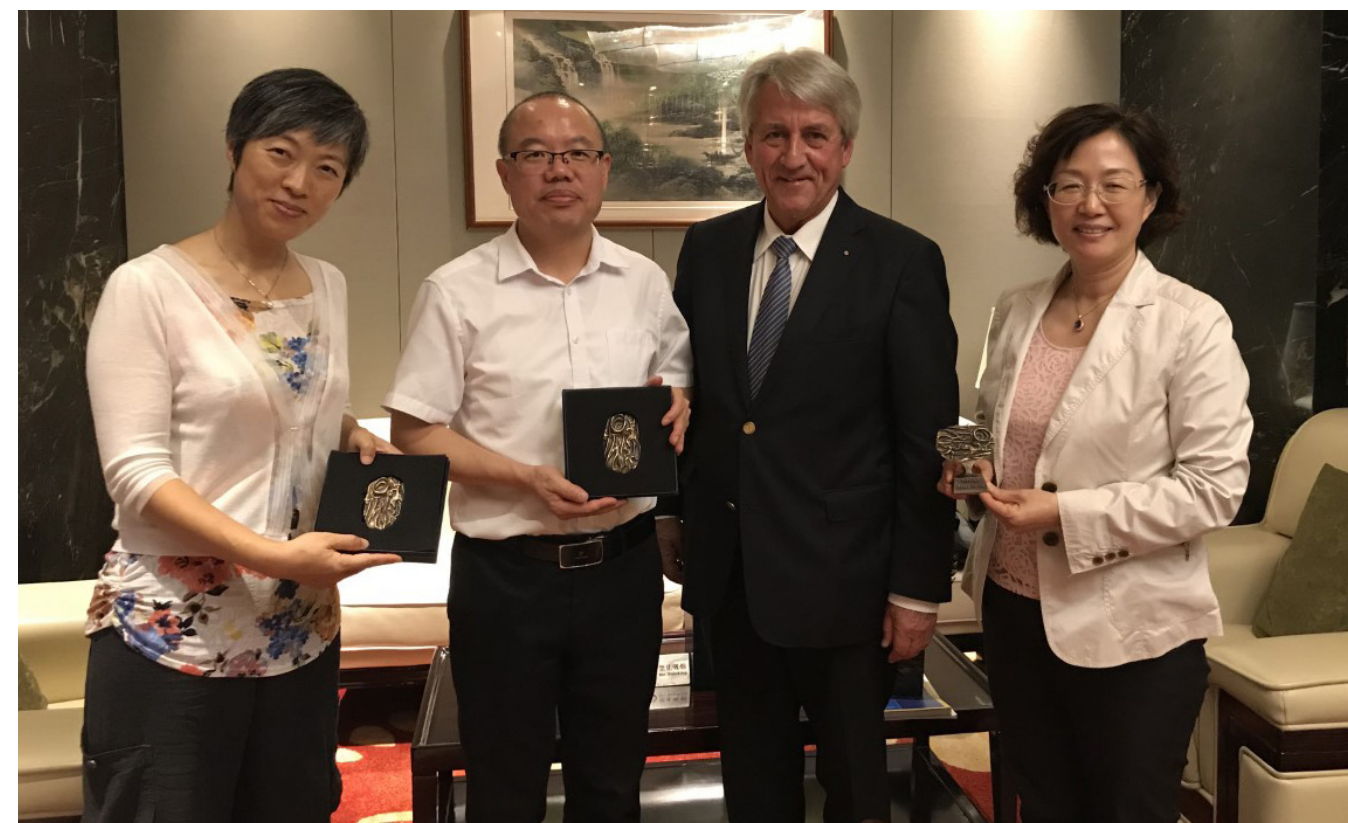
#### 19.10-21.10.2019, Shenzhen, CHN

During the visit to China, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang met with a range of governors and investors to discuss sponsorship opportunities.

From October 19-21 in Shenzhen,

together with UIPM Equipment Commission Member Gary Lu (also CEO of Absolute Fencing) they discussed future UIPM training and competition opportunities presented by a new multi-sport complex in Shenzhen.

They met with Governors of the Guangdong Provincial Sports Bureau



President Dr Schormann presents bronze UIPM sculptures to Vice Mayor Guo Guirong (right) and other dignitaries in Xiamen (CHN)



Dr Schormann and Mrs Fang attend a meeting with governors and sponsors in Shenzhen (CHN)



and representatives of the District Committee and District Government Party, as well as Minister of Propaganda Zhou Xueliang.

Other key stakeholders in the meetings were the Vice President and Chairman of Shenzhen Tefa Real Estate Co Ltd, Li Maohong and Zhang Junlin respectively, as well as colleagues from the Business, Culture and Sport departments.

#### 21.10-26.10.2019, Wuhan, CHN

President Dr Schormann spent several days attending the 7th CISM World Military Games, where Modern Pentathlon was once again on the programme. At the Swimming pool in Wuhan he met with CISM Honorary President, Maj Gen Dr Gianni Gola (ITA) and former CISM President Col Abdulhakim Al-Shino (BRN).

The UIPM President was accompanied



Dr Schormann is welcomed to Shenzhen (above) alongside Mrs Fang and meets members of the World Military Games organising team with CISM Modern Pentathlon President Lt Col Nilton Rolim Filho







Dr Schormann with CISM Honorary President Maj Gen Dr Gianni Gola (left) and former President Col Abdulhakim Al-Shino



The UIPM President and Secretary General meet CISM President Col Herve Piccirillo and Executive Board Member Maj Gen Frances Allen (left)

by CMPA Secretary General Shen Kejian and UIPM Technical Committee Member Dmitry Menshikov (RUS), as well as the CISM Modern Pentathlon Chair, Lt Col Nilton Rolim Filho (BRA).

In a special meeting on October 24 with CISM President Col Herve Piccirillo and Executive Board Member Maj Gen Frances Allen, Dr Schormann and Mrs Fang discussed the long history of Modern Pentathlon in the CISM movement and decided to review the MOU signed in Nice (FRA) during the UIPM Congress in 2011.

President Schormann underlined to the CISM President what he already stated to Honorary President Dr Gola – that he has great respect for the CISM members (nations and athletes) around the world who compete under the same rules and respect protocol in peace and harmony, similar to the Olympic Games.

All athletes at the World Military Games live together in an athletes' village and share values of friendship, respect and tolerance.

On October 25, the UIPM President and

Secretary General met the President of Wuhan Business University, Wang Qinghua, and the Secretary of the Party Committee, Liu Zhihui, to discuss close cooperation for coming competitions and training sessions.

The University has high-level facilities for all disciplines including a first-class Riding facility and its own horses. It hosted UIPM on the university campus during the World Military Games and the same venue will also host the Asia/Oceania Championships and Tokyo 2020 Olympic Qualifier.



Dr Schormann and Mrs Fang with the organising team (above) and (right) with University President Wang Qinghua and Liu Zhihui of the Party Committee

## New Balance World Rankings

The PWR is updated live on [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org) after each competition. PWR as at November 3, 2019:

MEN			
RANK	NATION	NAME	POINTS
1	GBR	Joseph CHOONG	210
2	FRA	Valentin PRADES	176
3	GER	Marvin DOGUE	172
4	UKR	Pavlo TYMOSHCHENKO	167
5	UKR	Jamie COOKE	162
6	FRA	Valentin BELAUD	160
7	CHI	Esteban BUSTOS	157
8	EGY	Ahmed ELGENDY	151
9	KOR	JUN Woongtae	151
10	LTU	Justinas KINDERIS	147
11	RUS	Alexander LESUN	145
12	CZE	Jan KUF	145
13	GER	Patrick DOGUE	142
14	CZE	Martin VLACH	135
15	GER	Fabian LIEBIG	135
16	CHN	LI Shuhuan	129
17	HUN	Bence DEMETER	128
18	EGY	Eslam HAMAD	127
19	GBR	Thomas TOOLIS	127
20	KOR	JUNG Jinhwa	122

WOMEN			
RANK	NATION	NAME	POINTS
1	LTU	Laura ASADAUSKAITE	195
2	GBR	Kate FRENCH	186
3	FRA	Elodie CLOUVEL	183
4	GER	Annika SCHLEU	179
5	BLR	Volha SILKINA	172
6	ITA	Elena MICHELI	170
7	RUS	Gulnaz GUBAYDULLINA	164
8	LTU	Gintare VENCKAUSKAITE	161
9	RUS	Uliana BATASHOVA	158
10	FRA	Marie OTEIZA	156
11	BLR	Iryna PRASIANTSOVA	150
12	BLR	Anastasiya PROKOPENKO	150
13	TUR	Ilke OZYUKSEL	146
14	MEX	Mariana ARCEO	145
15	GBR	Joanna MUIR	142
16	KOR	KIM Sunwoo	142
17	RUS	Anna BURIAK	137
18	HUN	Sarolta KOVACS	135
19	IRL	Natalya COYLE	134
20	GBR	Francesca SUMMERS	134

! The full New Balance World Rankings are available at [www.pentathlon.org](http://www.pentathlon.org)



Baron Pierre de Coubertin

"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."

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