

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann opened the third online meeting of 2023 by addressing the EB on the ongoing predicament for sport caused by the military occupation of Ukraine by Russia, supported by Belarus.

The EB agreed with his recommendation that UIPM should continue to 'quietly follow' the advice of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) in respect of the potential return to competition of athletes with a Russia or Belarus passport, especially around adherence to a policy of non-discrimination, until the IOC President's briefing to International Federations scheduled for the following week.

President Schormann also updated the EB on a variety of topics including Paris 2024, the UIPM 2023 Pentathlon and Laser Run World Championships in Bath (GBR), National Federation leadership updates and multi-sport competitions in the Pan American region.

Extensive discussion ensued about UIPM's ongoing campaign for Modern Pentathlon to remain in the Olympic Games for Los Angeles 2028 and beyond, with various EB members assigned informal roles within this campaign as part of a collective international relations effort.

The UIPM Athletes Committee introduced a proposal around building a development performance programme, which was commended, and the EB agreed to revisit the matter after the IOC Session in October 2023.