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## **UIPM 2017 CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS**



Lina Batuleviciute (LTU) and Riccardo de Luca (ITA) were crowned Champion of Champions after another successful event in Doha (QAT)











# **UIPM 2017 Champion of Champions**

### Perfect host Doha sets bar high again

The UIPM Champion of Champions has become a perennial date on the Modern Pentathlon calendar, attracting top-quality fields every year as the season-closing event.

After another successful event in October 2017, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann announced that the Qatari city would host its 5th Champion of Champions in 2018.

He said: "I congratulate all the athletes, the women yesterday and today the men, and to everyone who has been involved in making this UIPM Champion of Champions such a big success.

"The athletes and the media have been asking me and I can say very proudly that we met with the Qatar Federation of Equestrian and Modern Pentathlon today and they will continue to support us, so next year we will have the 5th edition of the Champion of Champions here in Doha.

"This means a lot to our sporting movement and to the Olympic movement in Qatar."

# Women: Batuleviciute (LTU) enjoys career high

She had spent most of her career in the shadow of a national hero but Lina Batuleviciute of Lithuania made a name for herself on the day she became the UIPM Champion of Champions.

The result ended an intriguing season of transition in women's pentathlon, with a number of athletes claiming their first major titles such as world champion Gulnaz Gubaydullina (RUS) and World Cup Final gold medallist Tamara Alekszejev (HUN).



Elodie Clouvel (FRA) sets off to begin the Laser-Run at the 2017women's Champion of Champions



Elodie Clouvel (FRA) clears an obstacle during the Riding event in Al-Shaqab Arena









In the absence of Gubaydullina (RUS) in Doha, the Olympic champion Chloe Esposito (AUS) and her celebrated compatriot Laura Asadauskaite (LTU), Batuleviciute (LTU) seized her chance to scale the top of the podium, where she was joined by silver medallist Alice Sotero (ITA) and bronze medallist Elodie Clouvel (FRA).

"It's the best day — I am so excited that I got the gold," said Batuleviciute (LTU) after receiving her gold medal at the Al Shaqab Arena. "This is the second title of my career and the first was last month in the World Military Championships.

"I know that I am a good fencer but I am surprised that my Riding went so well after a bad day yesterday at the jumping test.

"The facilities are very good here in Doha, probably the best of anywhere I have competed."

Batuleviciute, 28, had already claimed victory in one UIPM Category A competition in 2017 when she won gold at the CISM World Military Championships in Drzonkow (POL). She also finished 14th in the World Cup Final in Vilnius in her homeland, where her Olympic champion compatriot Asadauskaite (LTU) was the star attraction

Prior to that most of the best results for Batuleviciute (LTU) had come in team and relay events, including a Senior World Championships Women's Relay silver medal in 2015 in Berlin (GER).

Brimming with confidence after her CISM success, she led from the front in Doha in the all-important Fencing, finishing 1st with 22V/10D ahead of Kate Coleman Lenehan (IRL; 21V/11D) and Clouvel (FRA; 20V/12D).

Swimming had been less prosperous for the leader as Clouvel (FRA) topped the standings with 2:13.56 ahead of Sotero (ITA; 2:14.42) and Bian Yufei (CHN; 2:15.46).



Lina Batuleviciute (LTU) demonstrates the focus that helped her to win gold



The women's podium at Al-Shaqab Arena



An alternative view of the Swimming facility in Doha









Only three of the 17 participating athletes managed a clean round in Riding, but one of them was Batuleviciute (LTU), whose perfect round maintained her momentum in the race for gold. Anna Maliszewska (POL) and Coleman Lenehan (IRL) also scored 300 while Sotero (298) and Clouvel (291) stayed in touch.

The outcome was that Clouvel (FRA) started Laser-Run in 1st place ahead of Coleman Lenehan (IRL; 3secs), Sotero (ITA; 15secs) and Batuleviciute (LTU; 16secs).

Clouvel (FRA) protected her lead until the second shooting range, where Sotero (ITA) and Batuleviciute (LTU) stole the initiative. Batuleviciute (LTU) proved she had the greater composure on the day as she edged ahead of Sotero (ITA) to win by 7secs, with Clouvel (FRA) crossing the line 5secs later.

In 4th place was Shino Yamanaka (JPN), whose Laser-Run time of 12:50 was the quickest in the field. Janine Kohlmann (GER) finished 5th and Ekaterina Khuraskina (RUS) 6th.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "This excellent women's final proved that we have already created a strong legacy here after four years of the

UIPM Champion of Champions in Doha.

"I am so pleased with what the Qatar organising committee have achieved for us and the athletes produced a high level of performance in these amazing facilities with great horses.

"We know that the Qataris are very happy to host us and we hope to continue the Champion of Champions here in future."

Bronze medallist Clouvel (FRA), the 2016 Olympic silver medallist, added: "It's incredible here, a really amazing complex and the Riding is very good. It's a wonderful place and I love coming here."

# Men: De Luca (ITA) ends comeback race in style

Riccardo de Luca of Italy enjoyed one of the finest wins of his career as he took home the title of UIPM Champion of Champions after dominating the men's event.

De Luca (ITA), European champion in 2012 and winner of the World Cup Final in 2015, missed most of the 2017 season after he narrowly failed to reach the podium at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, finishing 5th after a sprint finish.

The 31-year-old's success in Doha in a high-quality field should be a source of great confidence for 2018 and beyond. The Italian was so strong that the 2016 Champion of Champions, Patrick Dogue (GER), had to settle for silver despite a very impressive performance of his own.

Behind the top two, 2016 world champion Valentin Belaud (FRA) earned the bronze medal after a great battle with Daniele Colasanti (ITA), the 2017 junior world champion. Olympic champion Alexander Lesun (RUS) finished 5th with Pavel Ilyashenko (KAZ), Joseph Choong (GBR) and Taishu Sato (JPN) completing the top eight.



Riccardo de Luca (ITA) keeps his eye on the prize

Typically it was Choong (GBR) who set the standard in Swimming, where he timed 2:05.64 ahead of the Japanese duo Tomo Onoyuki (2:06.05) and Sato (2:07.33).

De Luca (ITA) used his Fencing prowess to take control of the competition in the Qatar Foundation Recreation Centre. He took the lead after a score of 22V/8D, with Lesun (RUS) proving his closest challenger with 20V/10D. Colasanti (ITA) and Dogue (GER) ensured they would be in the mix with 18V/12D each.

Each of the main contenders stayed on course for the podium during the Riding, with Lesun (RUS) incurring the most damage with 18 penalty points. Dogue (GER) and Colasanti (ITA) enjoyed the only two clear rounds while De Luca (ITA) dropped only six points to ensure he would start Laser-Run first.

In fact the leader had a 17sec advantage ahead of Colasanti (ITA), who was under pressure on the start line from Dogue (GER), Lesun (RUS) and Choong (GBR), and whose nerves









on the shooting range ultimately cost him a medal.

Belaud (FRA) started 6th but made up lots of ground and moved into 3rd place after the second shoot, where Lesun (RUS) began to drift back. De Luca (ITA) and Dogue (GER) moved unchallenged through their laps and the only suspense was reserved for the battle for bronze, as Colasanti (ITA) fought tenaciously to catch Belaud (FRA), but ultimately in vain.

De Luca (ITA) said afterwards that it had been a "long day" but he had lots of praise for the venue and the local organising committee.

He said: "I already competed twice in the Champion of Champions here in Qatar and everything works well – the food, the timings, the venue – it's very well organised and I think it would be great to see some more pentathlon competitions come here in future."

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann added: "When we look to the podium on both days we can see that the best athletes of the season are on the podium and that makes all of us very proud and shows that the Champion of Champions is a big motivation for the athletes. We are already looking forward to the 2018 Champion of Champions here in Doha."



Another obstacle is cleared at the world-class Al-Shaqab facility



The Fencing Bonus Round was a highlight of the men's event



The men's podium in Doha with De Luca (ITA) joined by Patrick Dogue (GER, silver) and Valentin Belaud (FRA, bronze)









# **UIPM 2017 Laser-Run World Championships**

# President Schormann hails 'two great days' in Cape Town (RSA)

The 3rd UIPM Laser-Run World Championships was hailed as a great success by the UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann.

Cape Town was the third host of the UIPM Laser-Run World Championships after Perpignan (FRA) in 2015 and Lisbon (POR) in 2016, and racing took place at Cape Town Stadium, in the shadow of the iconic Table Mountain.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "The 3rd UIPM Laser-Run World Championships has been a great two days with very good technical support from the organisers both for yesterday's individual events and today for the Mixed Relay.

"Just as we have a Mixed Relay in Modern Pentathlon, we have a Mixed Relay in Laser-Run and this presents another argument that we can take to the International Olympic Committee and show that we are promoting team sports and gender balance.

"It's very exciting for the athletes, the spectators and I'm sure for the media too. We will continue to support the Mixed Relay component in all of our UIPM Sports so that it's clear that Mixed Relay is really a strong pillar for the future of our union."

# Individual: Oosthuizen (RSA) and Bengs (FIN) take top honours

The championships exploded into life with hundreds of athletes from around the world taking part in the individual events.

Athletes from countries as diverse as Ivory Coast, Thailand and Monaco



A group photograph of competitors and officials in Cape Town



UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and SAMPA President Pieter Oosthuizen share a laugh with the Finland team

collected medals alongside more established UIPM member nations across 10 categories from Under-11 to Masters 60+.

South Africa, the host nation, dominated proceedings and ended up with a huge medal count, including the Men's Individual title at senior level which went to Pieter Oosthuizen. The Women's Individual senior event was

won by Eevi Bengs of Finland.

Modern pentathlete Oosthuizen (RSA), who was a gold medallist at the recent Biathle/Triathle World Championships in Viveiro (ESP), enjoyed the adulation of the home crowd after winning a tense battle with silver medallist Alexandre Dallenbach (SUI), while Khuanchai Khosinklang (THA) claimed a surprise bronze.









"I went into the race hoping to get another medal having started my Laser-Run career at the 1st World Championships in France, and it paid off today. The conditions were a little bit tough and the wind made shooting difficult.

"My running and shooting are my strongest points in pentathlon but today I messed up my shooting. My main competitor, Alex from Switzerland, got a penalty for not touching the table, costing him a penalty of 20secs, which gave me an advantage I was able to maintain during the last 800m for the win.

"It's a very nice feeling, almost a feeling I can't describe because all my friends and family are here and this is not only my home country but my home town."

Bengs (FIN), who is also a modern pentathlete, was joined on the podium by silver medallist Suzie Cave (GBR) and Charlotte Menard (FRA), who took bronze.

Bengs (FIN) said: "This is a really nice place and I'm happy that UIPM brought the Laser-Run World Championships here.

"I had a little bit of a struggle at the start, when I twisted my ankle, and it was really hurting at the first shooting range. But when I ran away the pain went away – it wasn't perfect but it was a pretty steady performance.

"In Finland right now we have to train inside because it has been raining and pretty cold, but we have a young team with us and we are really excited about Laser-Run."

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "The individual events of the 3rd UIPM Laser-Run World Championships took place in fantastic conditions and we had a great competition with all the different age groups.

"I'm very happy that the South African Modern Pentathlon Association (SAMPA) has organised this excellent event, and I congratulate the organising committee and all the athletes who achieved good results."



Competition was fierce across all age categories



Eevi Bengs (FIN) strides out on her way to gold



Young female athletes take aim at the laser shooting range



A young South African competitor takes the tape









# Mixed Relay: South Africa complete domination

ostile weather in Cape Town made life difficult for the organisers but hundreds of athletes from around the world did their countries proud in the Mixed Relay events.

Thailand made a particularly impressive impact across the two days as other developing UIPM member nations such as Ivory Coast and Monaco collected medals alongside more established nations.

South Africa dominated proceedings and ended up with a huge medal count across the 10 categories, which gave athletes of all ages from Under-11 to Masters 60+ the opportunity to compete on the world stage.

Indeed, the host nation added another senior gold medal to the Men's Individual title, won by Pieter Oosthuizen, when he joined Alida van der Merwe in a triumphant effort in the senior Mixed Relay.

Eevi Bengs added a Mixed Relay silver to her individual gold when she teamed up with Tiitus Ammala to get Finland on the podium for the second successive day, while Thailand's Khuanchai Khosinklang sealed a double bronze in tandem with Sanruthai Aransiri

Other nations such as Great Britain and Egypt competed strongly in multiple events but there was no denying the standout quality of a very well-prepared and strong South Africa team.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "The weather was not on our side this morning, but we are pleased to have run all the competitions as planned this afternoon, and the performance of the athletes has shown we are on the right track with the Laser-Run World Championships and the Laser-Run City Tour.

"I'm very happy and I say thank you to all the athletes and the coaches who have prepared them so well. What is also very important is that we have athletes from different countries on the podium."



Two of the many South African gold medallists who dominated their home event in Cape Town



Action from the Mixed Relay



A young athlete takes aim while his partner waits for her turn



The feeling of accomplishment at the finish line







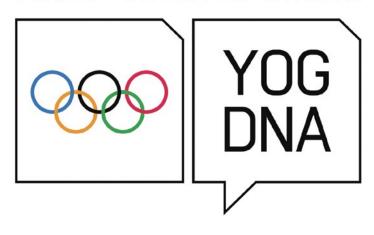


### **Road to Buenos Aires:**

Youth Olympic Games aspirants continue preparations



YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES



ourteen of the world's leading Under 19 athletes have already secured direct qualification places at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games. Many others continued to work on their qualifying campaigns in October.

Two U19 competitions took place in Bishkek (KGZ) and Prague (CZE) where athletes were able to collect valuable ranking points in their bid to reach Buenos Aires.

The 14 direct places were secured earlier in the year at the European, Pan American and Asia/ Oceania qualifiers in Mafra (POR), Merida (MEX) and Gotemba (JAP) respectively.

So far for YOG 2018 qualified are:

### Women's Individual

- Michelle Gulyas (HUN
- Laura Heredia (ESP)
- Beatrice Mercuri (ITA)
- Melissa Mireles (MEX)
- Maria leda (BRA)
- Yuan Xin (CHN)
- Nikita Mawhirt (AUS)

### Men's Individual

- Giorgio Malan (ITA)
- Egor Gromadskii (RUS)
- Kamil Kasperczak (POL)
- Sergio Flores (MEX)
- Angel Hernandez (VEN)
- Shin Hyoseop (KOR)
- Keaan Van Venrooij (AUS)

The 3rd Youth Olympic Games will take place in Buenos Aires (ARG) from October 6-18, 2018 with Modern Pentathlon (Tetrathlon) featuring on October 12-14 and 16.

As in Singapore (2010) and Nanjing (2014), there will be medals at stake in three events: the Men's and Women's Individual and the Mixed Relay.

The next event will be the African qualifier in Lagos, Nigeria on the 7th of December 2017

# **Laser-Run City Tour**

### On the march in Magdalena (ARG)

Argentina held its second Laser-Run City Tour in the city of Magdalena, 150km from Buenos Aires where the 2018 Youth Olympic Games will take place.

The event marked the latest part of a development drive by the Argentina Modern Pentathlon Federation, which is seeking to engage new generations in UIPM Sports.

This LRCT, organized by the Magdalena Sports Directorate at the Integral Recreational Center of Magdalena, attracted athletes from across the city and was attended by Mayor Gonzalo Peluso and Sports Director Alejandro Gutiérrez.

The Argentina federation has embraced Laser-Run and is scheduled to hold another LRCT in the Province of Santiago del Estero on November 3, 2017.



Young female competitors occupy the podium with their medals and certificates

The Mayor of Magdalena offered to provide facilities and staff so that a regional South American Championship could be held in the city in the year 2018.

This LRCT was also marked by a great response to the organizers' call for athletes and volunteers, who came from various sectors of society.



A happy hello from the Laser-Run City Tour in Magdalena (ARG)









# New and old worlds meet at Olympia (GRE)

ne of the strategic aims of Laser-Run is to increase participation in the time-honoured Olympic sport of Modern Pentathlon and there was a meeting of old and new worlds in Olympia (GRE) when the Laser-Run City Tour took place in the Athens 2004 Olympic Games venue on October 22.

Two other Greek cities, Thessaloniki and Athens, had already staged rounds of the LRCT, which has brought the exciting, dynamic and socially inclusive urban sport of Laser-Run to new audiences worldwide in 2017.

But there was a unique and inimitable feel about this event, which took place in Ancient Olympia within the festival activities dedicated to the Lightning Ceremony of the Olympic Flame of PyeongChang 2018.

The race was held in an area popular with tourists next to the Town Hall and reflected the Mayor of Olympia's wish to involve more local kids in sporting activities as well as his intention to organize even bigger UIPM events in the future, including Modern Pentathlon events.

Olympia is, along with Lausanne (SUI), the last resting place of Modern Pentathlon's creator. Baron Pierre de



Determination on the start line in Olympia (GRE)

Coubertin's heart is buried in the home of Olympism, marked by a monument in respect of his contribution to the modern Olympic movement.

Anastasios Pantazidis, President of the Hellenic Modern Pentathlon Federation, said: "The great success of the Laser-Run City Tour of Ancient Olympia has fascinated us and validated our choice of venue. More than 250 athletes of all ages enjoyed the event and gave us the incentive to establish Laser-Run competitions in Olympia on an annual basis.

"The Hellenic Federation of Modern

Pentathlon praises the Municipality of Ancient Olympia for its organization. Both the Mayor and Deputy Mayor and Deputy Mayor of Sport embraced the idea from the beginning and our cooperation will continue.

"There was an excellent contribution from the Masters students of the International Olympic Academy along with other volunteers who have provided considerable help and we are very grateful to them. The federation intends to spread the event nationwide and Ancient Olympia will be an example to be imitated."

Laser-Run City Tour is a new concept created in 2017 to showcase Laser-Run to a global audience and give more and more athletes worldwide an introduction to UIPM Sports, starting them on a road that can ultimately lead to the Olympic Games.

More than 60 cities are hosting LRCTs in 2017 and more than 100 will do so in 2018.

If you would you like to host or participate in a Laser-Run City Tour, check out the <u>Events calendar</u> on the UIPM website or email development@pentathlon.org.



A group photograph in the historic Olympic Games venue









# News from around the world

# 'Incredible' modern pentathlon challenge gives war veterans chance to compete

A new Modern Pentathlon event for sufferers of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) has won praise from the 2000 Olympic champion Dr Stephanie Cook (GBR).

The inaugural PentUp Challenge took place on October 14, 2017 at the Royal Military Academy in Sandhurst (GBR) and attracted 36 competitors.

PentUp was founded by Dr Simon Thompson (a veteran and combat stress psychiatrist) and the competition was organised by Sue Hyde, former competitions director for Pentathlon GB.

Dr Cook, the first women's Olympic pentathlon champion, participated as team manager and said afterwards: "It was inspirational to see Modern Pentathlon being used in such a beneficial way to aid recovery from PTSD.

"The stories that I heard from the veterans were humbling and grounding,



War veterans show grit and determination in Sandhurst (GBR)



A group photograph of all the competitors and organisers









and to hear the progress that they have made through the different elements of pentathlon was really incredible.

"As a doctor I know the beneficial effects of exercise and sport on mental health but this clearly demonstrated this in a way that I have never seen before."

This format and scoring system were adapted to accommodate athletes aged between 23 and 62 who had various degrees of ability and experience. Most had no experience at all and had to learn and train for all disciplines in eight months.

There were eight teams comprised of veterans, current armed services personnel, clinicians and privateers and each team was led by a GBR Olympian who worked as coach and team support. Experienced competition officials worked throughout the day to ensure that the event ran smoothly, safely and fairly.

The PentUp Challenge reached out to include the families and friends of the veterans and their community support teams, whose role has been and continues to be an integral part of their recovery from PTSD.

# Kirpulyanskyy (UKR) attends IOC careers seminar

mytro Kirpulyanskyy (UKR) took part in an IOC Athlete Career Programme (ACP) seminar in Vilnius (LTU) on October 25.



Dmytro Kirpulyanskyy (UKR) speaks at the IOC careers seminar

The seminar was part of a three-day sports conference organised by the Lithuania Olympic Committee and aimed exclusively at professional athletes seeking advice on career options after sport.

Some 37 athletes took part in the seminar, opened by NOC President Daina Gudzinevičiūtė, before attending the conference. Kirpulyanskyy attended in his capacity as an IOC volunteer alongside the former professional badminton player and Olympian, Pedro Yang (GUA).

Kirpulyanskyy (UKR), a former world bronze medallist who served as Chair of the UIPM Athletes Committee until 2016, is a qualified doctor and still actively participates in pentathlon.

The seminar helped the athletes to understand more about the character traits they possess and how their skills can be transferred into business and work life. The IOC Athlete Career Programme was created and delivered by the IOC Athletes' Commission, the International Olympic Committee and the Adecco Group.



Delegates take part in a workshop in Vilnius (LTU)









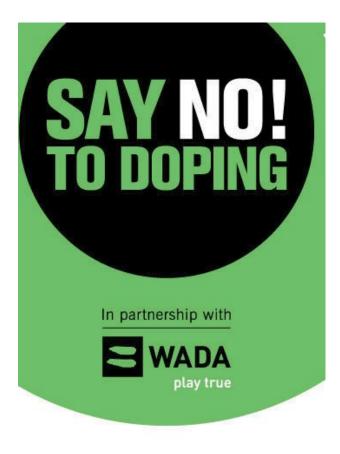
# **Tournament & Training**

**Camp Invitations** 

his 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 http://www.pentathlon.org to stay up to date with all tournament news.

# Medical and Anti-Doping



# WADA PUBLISHES 2018 LIST OF PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has published its 2018 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 comes into force on January 1, 2018, is accompanied by the 2018 Summary of Major Modifications and Explanatory Notes, which serves to help athletes, coaches and other support personnel to understand the latest changes.

"WADA is pleased to publish the 2018 Prohibited List," said WADA President, Sir Craig Reedie. "Updated annually, the List is released three months ahead of taking effect so that all stakeholders - in particular athletes and their entourage - have sufficient time to familiarize themselves with the document and its modifications.

"It is vital that all athletes and entourage take the necessary time to consult the List; and that, they contact their respective anti-doping organizations (ADOs) if they have any doubts as to the status of a substance or method."

WADA Director General, Olivier Niggli, added: "Annually, the Prohibited List review involves a very extensive stakeholder consultation process over the course of nine months. "In

reviewing the List, experts examine such sources as scientific and medical research, trends, and intelligence gathered from law enforcement and pharmaceutical companies in order to stay ahead of those that endeavour to cheat the system."

The <u>2018 Prohibited List</u>, the <u>Summary of Modifications</u>, and the <u>2018 Monitoring Program</u> are available for download on WADA's website in English and French. Spanish will follow shortly and if anybody would like to receive these documents in another language, please contact UIPM at *projects@pentathlon.org* 









## Inside UIPM:

Monthly activities of President Dr Schormann

### 12.-17.10.2017, Cape Town, RSA

IPM President Dr Klaus Schormann visited the 3rd UIPM Laser-Run World Championships, organized by the South African Modern Pentathlon Association (SAMPA) in Cape Town on the waterfront. During his visit, UIPM President met several times with SAMPA President Pieter Oosthuizen to discuss future activities in South Africa. Based on more than 50 years' history of SAMPA in UIPM, President Oosthuizen briefed President Schormann about steps in the near future to rebuild a strong federation in South Africa. Their next two targets are qualification for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires (ARG) and the 2020 Olympic Summer Games in Tokyo (JAP). The UIPM President is pleased that SAMPA will also start to assist Modern Pentathlon Federations in neighbouring countries such as Namibia, Botswana and Zimbabwe.

### 12.-17.10.2017, Cape Town, RSA

The day after the World Championships, President Dr Schormann met with some Ministers and the Premier of Western Cape Province.

During a meeting with Ms Anroux Marais, the Minister for Cultural Affairs and Sport, the UIPM President discussed the development of Modern Pentathlon and non-Olympic UIPM Sports such as Biathle, Triathle and Laser-Run, which are already quite well developed in South Africa. They spoke about the importance of sport as a powerful driver of educational development, better health and integration of society between different religious, cultural and socioeconomic groups.



The UIPM 2017 Laser-Run World Championships press conference



President Dr Schormann and UIPM Technical Delegate Bernhard Petruschinski with the Thailand Mixed Relay team



UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and SAMPA President Pieter Oosthuizen (far right) with Western Cape Provincial Government figures (left to right) Dr Lyndon Bouah (chief director, Sport and Recreation), Mark Wiley (chief whip, former Minister and former SAMPA President) and Anroux Marais (Minister for Cultural Affairs and Sport)









### 16.10.2017, Cape Town

ark Wiley, former President of SAMPA, joined the UIPM President in a discussion with the Western Province Minister of Finance, Mr Ivan Meyer, about resourcing the sports movement in South Africa through Government and business society. Dr Schormann made the point that sporting values have to be promoted in a much stronger way, that clean sport and clean athletes are the best ambassadors to find new partnerships.

### 16.10.2017, Cape Town

Western Cape Premier, Ms Helen Zille, underlined during a meeting with Dr Schormann the necessity of close cooperation between politics, business and sport. Their discussion centred on education of people, respect and tolerance in society.

Together they agreed that sport is one of the best elements to achieve a more better and peaceful world. South Africa is a sporting country and works hard to be a strong partner in the Olympic movement.

### 19.-22,10.2017, Doha, QAT

IPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang visited the 4th Champion of Champions in Doha, which was again arranged in the world-class facilities of Al Shaqab according to the highest standards. President Dr Schormann briefed media representatives on the close relationship UIPM has enjoyed with the National Olympic Committee of Qatar since 2002 and paid tribute to the great promotion of sport as an important educational and cultural tool in Qatar, which now hosts big events of various Olympic and non-Olympic sports and offers training facilities to athletes from all over the world. With the Secretary General of the Qatar Equestrian & Modern Pentathlon Federation, Mr Bader Al-Darwish, President Dr Schormann discussed the ongoing partnership between



President Dr Schormann with Western Cape Provincial Minister Ivan Meyer (centre) and Mark Wiley, chief whip



President Dr Schormann with Western Cape Premier Helen Zille (centre) Ivan Meyer and Mark Wiley, chief whip









UIPM, QEMPF and the Qatar Olympic Committee in future years.

In the name of the President of QEMPF, Mr Hamad Abdulrahman Al Attiyah, the UIPM President announced at the closing ceremony an expectation that the 2018 Champion of Champions would again be hosted in Doha.

### 30.10.-04.11.2017, Prague, CZ

The UIPM President, together with Secretary General Shiny Fang, represented the Union during the General Assembly of the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) under the leadership of President Sheikh Ahmad Al-Fahad Al-Sabah. Both met with NOC Presidents to discuss national issues concerning Modern Pentathlon. The ANOC meeting gave both the possibility to promote new actions and new competitions of the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne.



Left to right: UIPM Competitions Manager Philipp Waeffler, Event Director Ali Al Rumaini, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann, President of the Equestrian and Modern Pentathlon Federation Al Attiyah Hamad Abdulrahman



UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang at the ANOC General Assembly in Praque (CZE)









WOMEN

# New Balance World Rankings

The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition. PWR as at 10 October 2017:

MEN			
RANK	NATION	NAME	POINTS
1	FRA	Valentin PRADES	195
2	UKR	Pavlo TYMOSHCHENKO	190
3	HUN	Robert KASZA	185
4	KOR	Woongtae JUN	178
5	KOR	Jinhwa JUNG	178
6	RUS	Aleksander LESUN	171
7	HUN	Bence DEMETER	163
8	LTU	Justinas KINDERIS	156
9	FRA	Valentin BELAUD	154
10	HUN	Adam MAROSI	152
11	EGY	Eslam HAMAD	151
12	CZE	Jan KUF	146
13	GER	Marvin Faly DOGUE	138
14	POL	Jaroslaw SWIDERSKI	137
15	EGY	Ahmed HAMED	132
16	GER	Alexander NOBIS	131
17	BLR	Ilya PALAZKOV	131
18	EGY	Yasser HEFNY	127
19	GER	Patrick DOGUE	126
20	GBR	Joseph CHOONG	124

WOMEN				
RANK	NATION	NAME	POINTS	
1	RUS	Gulnaz GUBAYDULLINA	205	
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