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GOLD STANDARD: OLYMPIC CHAMPION ESPOSITO (AUS) IS BACK



Chloe Esposito (AUS), winner of Olympic gold in Rio in 2016, celebrates crossing the line to secure her first gold medal in a UIPM Pentathlon World Cup, in Kecskemet (HUN)











Pentathlon World Cup Kecskemet

The third round of the 2018 UIPM Pentathlon World Cup featured the return of the Olympic champion, Chloe Esposito of Australia, to the top of the podium as she came from behind to enjoy a classic victory.

There was yet another success for Korea in the Men's Individual Final where Jun Woongtae rose to the top of the world rankings with a gold medal, while host nation Hungary celebrated on the final day as Sarolta Kovacs and Bence Demeter proved unstoppable in the Mixed Relay.

It was one of many high-level UIPM competitions that will be held in Hungary in 2018 and 2019, and the organisation in Kecskemet further underlined the country's reputation as a highly-regarded pentathlon host.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "Here in Kecskemet we have had a strong demonstration of what it means to follow athletes of the highest performance.

"Again we have seen great organisation from the Hungarian Modern Pentathlon Association, with excellent horses, enabling the athletes to compete in facilities that are exactly what we want in all World Cups and World Championships.

"We will have the first-ever FISU University Modern Pentathlon World Championships in Budapest later this year and also the EMPC European Championships.

"A very special highlight will come next year when we have the 2019 UIPM Pentathlon World Championships, which will be a qualification event for the Olympic Games. We will also have the Laser-Run World Championships during the qualification days.

"Every 10 years Hungary organises a World Championships and the whole pentathlon community knows this is a glorious highlight and we are looking forward next year to seeing a great World Championships in Budapest on the way to Tokyo."

Women's Individual: Esposito (AUS) announces return to the top

Olympic champion Chloe Esposito of Australia secured another career first as she claimed her first Pentathlon World Cup gold medal after a dramatic Laser-Run comeback.



Women's Individual podium









The 26-year-old, who fulfilled her potential with a spellbinding performance to win one of the most coveted prizes in Olympic sport in Rio de Janeiro in 2016, showed her class to change the course of the Women's Individual Final at the third Pentathlon World Cup of the season.

Going into the Laser-Run, Kim Sunwoo of Korea held a strong lead thanks largely to her superb Fencing performance. The 21-year-old remained in pole position until the last lap, when Laser-Run specialists Anastasiya Prokopenko of Belarus and Esposito (AUS) realised they had a chance to hunt her down.

First Esposito (AUS) moved past Prokopenko (BLR), before the Olympic champion summoned the stamina to reel in the tiring Kim (KOR), who was caught on the finish line by 32-year-old Prokopenko (BLR).

Esposito (AUS) had never previously topped a World Cup podium – her best results had been bronze in Rio de Janeiro (BRA) in 2012 and bronze in the 2015 World Cup Final in Minsk (BLR) – and her victory was all the sweeter as it happened in the country she has called her "second home" for the past four years.

"I'm so happy just to be back and competing. Last year and early this year wasn't so good and I was feeling down on myself and not sure I was doing the rights," said the victorious Esposito (AUS).

"Today proved to me that I am doing the right things and I am so happy about that.

"Before Rio we lived here in Hungary for two years and we moved back to Budapest seven or eight months ago and I call it my second home. I love Hungary and the Hungarians have been so supportive so I'm especially happy to win here.

"At the last corner, I knew I was gaining on the Korean and I just said to myself 'go out and do what you've been doing in training' and I managed to do that."



Chloe Esposito (AUS) clears an obstacle during the Riding



Anastasiya Prokopenko (BLR) sets off on a new lap during the Laser-Run



Swimmers enter the pool in Kecskemet (HUN)









There was such a concentration of high-quality performances that, after struggling in Fencing, world champion Gulnaz Gubyadullina of Russia could only finish 4th while 2012 Olympic champion Laura Asadauskaite of Lithuania trailed in 8th.

Home favourites Sarolta Kovacs and Tamara Alekszejev of Hungary finished 5th and 7th respectively, separated by Annika Schleu of Germany.

Swimming

World champion Gubaydullina (RUS) was typically rapid in the pool, with the fastest time of 2:08.97, way ahead of Esposito (AUS) in 2:11.56 and Kovacs (HUN) in 2:11.95.

Fencing

Two names stood out above all other competitors on the piste, as Kim (KOR) and Volha Silkina (BLR) had a day to remember

Each managed a score of 26V/9D in the Round Robin, and Kim (KOR) enjoyed two victories in the Bonus Round to top up her score. Anastasiya Spas of Ukraine and Alekszejev (HUN) were the next-best performers with 22V/13D, while Prokopenko (BLR) and Esposito (AUS) did just enough to

stay in contention with 20V/15D and 18V/17D respectively.

Riding

Eight athletes managed a perfect score of 300 on horseback, including Prokopenko (BLR) and, to the delight of the home crowd, Kovacs (HUN).

It was a fine Riding day for Russia as Liudmila Tebekina and Ekaterina Khuraskina top-scored and Gubaydullina managed 293.

The main narrative did not change greatly as Kim (KOR) and Silkina (BLR) made sure they would be the first starters in the Laser-Run and Esposito (AUS) kept herself close enough to mount a challenge.

Laser-Run

Kim (KOR) set off 14sec ahead of Silkina (BLR), with Ieva Serapinaite (LTU), Spas (UKR) and Kovacs (HUN) all within 30sec of the leader

However, it was not a huge surprise to see the more established Laser-Run performers move up through the field during the four laps. Esposito (AUS) started with a 39sec deficit but timed her assault perfectly, and arrived at the final shooting range in 2nd place.

The Olympic champion was stunned, however, to find that Prokopenko (BLR) had moved up from 11th place to keep her company, and the latter produced an ice-cool shoot of 7.46sec to leave the range in the silver-medal position.

Esposito (AUS) was not in the mood to let anyone ruin her day, and she immediately moved to the shoulder of Prokopenko (BLR) on the last lap. By now Esposito (AUS) could see the leader up ahead and she proved that her competitive fires are burning as brightly as they did in 2016 by accelerating past both her rivals to take the tape by a 4sec margin.

Behind her, the veteran Prokopenko (BLR) strained every sinew to deny Kim (KOR) the silver medal in a thrilling sprint finish that left both flat out on the grass.

In the final analysis, the times demonstrated the sheer class of the world's leading Laser-Run specialists as Prokopenko (BLR, 12:24.78), Asadauskaite (LTU, 12:27.77) and Esposito (AUS, 12:31.15) produced a masterclass in the discipline.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "To have three different continents on the podium shows the wide split of high-level pentathlon around the world."



Joanna Muir (GBR) and Annika Schleu (GER) face off during the Fencing Bonus Round









Men's Individual: Dominant Jun (KOR) takes third gold

Jun Woongtae of Korea confirmed his status as one of the Modern Pentathlon's most consistent winners as he claimed his third Pentathlon World Cup gold medal with a dominant performance.

The 22-year-old built on his World Cup victories in Rio de Janeiro (BRA) in 2016 and Drzonkow (POL) in 2017 with another spectacular success in the Men's Individual Final of the third instalment of the 2018 series in Hungary.

The gold medal showed impressive progression from Jun (KOR) after he finished 10th in Pentathlon World Cup Cairo and 5th in Pentathlon World Cup Los Angeles.

Behind him, another 22-year-old enjoyed the best result of his career as Ilya Palazkov of Belarus made his way through the Laser-Run field from a starting position of 6th.

The real drama was reserved for the battle for bronze, which was won by Bence Demeter of Hungary to the delight of the home crowd. The outcome was harsh on Jean Baptiste Mourcia of France, whose superb Laser-Run brought him within a split-second of the podium.

"Today I am very, very happy – it was an amazing race," said the victorious Jun (KOR). "I managed to improve my Fencing, Swimming and Riding a little bit and it was a great day overall for Team Korea.

"Conditions were very nice, the weather and the venue, everything was perfect."

Bronze medallist Demeter (HUN) added: "Before the competition my goal was to stand on the podium again in my home town so I am very satisfied with my performance.

"After Swimming I didn't think I could



Bence Demeter (HUN) had an exciting battle for bronze with Jean Baptiste Mourcia (FRA), left



Bonus Fencing time in the Men's Individual Final



The crowd in Kecskemet (HUN) are enthralled by the Riding event









reach the podium and my Fencing was not so good, but a clear round in Riding helped me and after that, the last lap of Laser-Run was very hard for me but I managed to win a sprint against Mourcia so I'm very happy."

Mourcia (FRA) had to settle for 4th and Joe Choong of Great Britain finished 5th ahead of Lee Jihun (KOR), Pavlo Tymoshenko of Ukraine (7th) and Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe of Ireland (8th).

Swimming

Jun (KOR) was in contention from the start as he completed his 200m swim in 2:01.84, a time beaten only by Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL, 2:01.18) and the outstanding Jamie Cooke (GBR) whose time of 1:58.39 gave him a solid advantage.

Fencing

The all-round ability of Jun (KOR) shone through again on the piste as he shared top honours with Alexander Nobis of Germany, each of them scoring 23V/12D in the Ranking Round.

After the exceptional performance of Kim Sunwoo in the Women's Final, Korea's strength in Fencing was also demonstrated by Lee, who was only one victory behind the top duo. But



Jun Woongtae (KOR) takes the tape at the finish line

there was no doubting the star of the Bonus Round, as Choong (GBR) stormed to four victories including the scalp of both Jun (KOR) and Lee (KOR).

Riding

Only three athletes managed a perfect round, and the highlight was the performance of Bence Demeter (HUN), who moved back into podium contention and raised the hopes of the local crowd. The other flawless performers were Simon Casse (FRA) and Tymoshchenko (UKR).

That said, another four athletes dropped only a single point, and a score of 299 allowed Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) to move into 2nd position overall. Jun (KOR) made sure he would start the Laser-Run with a solid lead after conceding only seven penalties.

Laser-Run

Jun (KOR) set off with a lead of 10sec from Choong (GBR) and 15sec from Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL), with Bence Demeter (HUN) and Lee (KOR) among the chasing pack within 25sec.



Men's Individual podium









If the leader had any nerves, he didn't reveal them to his rivals, and the race became something of a procession as he quickly grew his lead over the stuttering Choong (GBR) and Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL).

It was Lee (KOR) who emerged as the main threat to his compatriot in the first two laps, before other contenders began to move through the ranks.

At the final shooting range, Jun (KOR) took his time to deliver his five shots and then stepped nonchalantly out of the range, knowing he had enough to win comfortably. But the drama was growing behind him, and Palazkov (BLR) and Mourcia (FRA) were the next two athletes to embark on their final lap.

Palazkov (BLR), who won Mixed Relay gold in the 2015 World Cup Final in front of a home crowd in Minsk (BLR), proved he had plenty of stamina in reserve and made sure nobody could deny him silver.

Mourcia (FRA), on his way to an exceptional Laser-Run time of 11:07.60, looked as if he had the bronze medal wrapped up and it took a huge surge on the final straight from the local hero, Bence Demeter (HUN), to pinch that last place on the podium.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "Our athletes are already performing at a high level, one year from the Olympic qualification year.

"We had a young Korean athlete, Jun, who had a comfortable lead but you could see that the competition was intense for all the places behind him. We saw a very young French athlete finishing 4th and this competition gives us great hope for the future."

Mixed Relay: Glory for hosts Hungary

The third Pentathlon World Cup of the season came to a fairytale conclusion for the host nation as Sarolta Kovacs and Bence Demeter won Mixed Relay gold for Hungary.

Kovacs, the 2016 individual world champion, teamed up with Demeter to dominate the final day of action with a commanding performance that brought delight to the home crowd ... and gave the other 16 competing nations no chance.

Ireland served a reminder of their Mixed Relay prowess as Kate Coleman Lenehan and Michael Healy, neither of whom had ever won a senior medal at a UIPM competition, secured silver.

They were joined on the podium by Zhong Xiuting and Zhang Linbin of China, who held off tough competition from 4th-placed Belarus (Tatsiana Khaldoba/Pavel Tsikhanau), 5th-placed Germany (Ronja Steinborn/Fabian Liebig) and 6th-placed Egypt (Haydy Morsy/Eslam Hamad).

Kovacs (HUN) said: "Our Fencing was great and after such a huge performance we were able to manage our lead during the Laser-Run and take care of the battle in the back.

"The Mixed Relay is really important because we really want to compete in the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

"We are looking forward to competing at the European Championships in Szekesfehervar and also at Budapest 2019, because this will be a World Championships in our own country and also the beginning of the qualification for Tokyo 2020."

It was also a day of joy for Ireland, who demonstrated their depth of talent in the absence of two-time World Cup Final winners Natalya Coyle and Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe.

Healy (IRL) said: "I'm very happy, it's my



Mixed Relay podium









first senior medal and we've exceeded expectations today to get up there, and this is all good experience.

Coleman Lenehan (IRL) added: "To be honest, we weren't even supposed to do the Mixed Relay – it was a lastminute thing and we changed our flights at the last minute.

"You take it by event, and as each event went well, we realised we had a chance and we knew that anything that happened in the Laser-Run would be a bonus. It's a special moment."

Swimming

Hungary (Kovacs/Demeter) started this Mixed Relay with a powerful statement of intent. With a time of 1:57.52 they took a significant lead ahead of two other nations that broke the 120sec mark: Korea (Yang Joosin/Jun Woongtae) in 1:59.70 and Ireland (Coleman Lenehan/Healy) in 1:59.91.

Fencing

Once again it was the local duo that dominated, with Hungary (Kovacs/Demeter) scoring an exceptional 23V/7D. The nearest contenders were Korea (Yang/Jun) with 19V/11D and Great Britain (Charlie Follett/Bradley Sutton) with 18V/12D.

Ridina

There were no clear rounds in the arena but it was Ireland (Coleman Lenehan/ Healy) who mastered the conditions best, scoring 295. With 11 points fewer, Belarus (Khaldoba/Tsikhanau) and Great Britain (Follett/Sutton) were the next-best performers while Hungary (Kovacs/Demeter) made sure they would retain their large overall lead by dropping just 23 penalties.

Laser-Run

For the second successive day, Great Britain (Follett/Sutton) and Ireland (Coleman Lenehan/Healy) went into the decisive Laser-Run in two of the medal positions, albeit with different athletes.

They were both a long way (35sec /



Michael Healy (IRL) and Bradley Sutton (GBR) take aim on the range



A high five on horseback during the Mixed Relay









36sec respectively) behind the leaders, Hungary (Kovacs/Demeter), who had no difficulty in protecting their advantage with a final score of 1410.

Ireland (Coleman Lenehan/Healy) also managed to make their day's work pay off, taking ownership of 2nd position and holding on to win silver, 15sec behind the champions but a comfortable 11sec ahead of the bronze medallists.

The battle for the last podium place was where the intrigue developed, and it was China (Zhong/Zhang) who ultimately prevailed thanks to the 3rd-fastest Laser-Run of the day (11:52.04), behind Russia (Anastasiya Vasileva / Alexander Savkin) in 11:26.00 and France (Julie Belhamri / Christopher Patte) in 11:45.54.



Sarolta Kovacs (HUN) is all smiles after the swim by team-mate Bence Demeter



It's handover time for China and Germany









Pentathlon World Cup Sofia

With qualifying places still up for grabs at the UIPM 2018 Pentathlon World Cup Final in Astana (KAZ), a competitive surge kept spectators enthralled during the first global UIPM competition to be held in Bulgaria.

There was a gold and a silver medal in the individual events for Ireland, while Great Britain and the Czech Republic took home one title apiece.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "I thank all the athletes and the organisers - the impressive venue here at the university campus in Sofia has underlined the capacity of the National Federation here in Bulgaria.

"What I have to underline is that this Pentathlon World Cup has given us the best quality of horses and shown that the athletes are performing better with the horses and showing the importance of the Riding element of Modern Pentathlon."

Andrey Kuzmanov, President of the Bulgarian Modern Pentathlon Federation, said: "We again showed that our organisation is perfect and I would like to congratulate everyone involved. We hope that in future years we can have more high-level competitions in our country."

The UIPM 2018 Pentathlon World Cup Final takes place in Kazakhstan for the first time from June 21-24.

Women's Individual: French (GBR) enjoys second success

Ate French of Great Britain secured her second UIPM Pentathlon

World Cup gold medal with a superb performance.

French (GBR) started the Laser-Run 10sec behind the leader, Natalya Coyle of Ireland, but showed stamina and nerves of steel to overtake her rival and make sure she was never going to be caught.

Coyle (IRL) refused to be fazed and held on to secure silver, her first-ever individual World Cup medal, and another first-time medallist followed her across the line after an intriguing battle for bronze.

It was Uliana Batashova of Russia who secured 3rd place after refusing to bow to pressure from the Olympic champion, Chloe Esposito of Australia, who finished 4th ahead of Tamara Vega of Mexico (5th) and Ilke Ozyuksel of Turkey (6th).



Women's Individual podium











As she savoured the second major title of her career, having enjoyed her maiden success at 2017 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo, French (GBR) said: "I'm very, very happy. I had a bit of a break at the end of last season so to be able to come back and do that. I'm over the moon."

Coyle (IRL) added: "It was a really good day, I swam 2sec better than in qualifying, so that was great and then I fenced really well.

"That set me up and I was a bit nervous for the Riding because it didn't go very well in Los Angeles, but I only had some time penalties and that was great.

"That put me 1st in the Laser-Run and I ended up 2nd, so I am delighted. I've never won a senior individual medal before."

Swimming

Three athletes – Esposito (AUS, 2:11.58), Elodie Clouvel of France (2:11.69) and Samantha Murray (GBR, 2:11. 85) – each came away with 287 points after some incredibly competitive racing in the pool.

Bian Yufei of China, Zsofia Foldhazi of Hungary and leva Serapinaite of Lithuania also swam strongly.

Fencina

The balance of the competition shifted significantly on the piste, and it was the eventual medallists who moved into the ascendancy with some high-class Fencing.

Coyle (IRL) was top performer on the day with an excellent return of 27V/8D, while French (GBR) managed 26V/9D and added two bonus points.

Marie Oteiza (FRA) joined Vega (MEX), Volha Silkina of Belarus and Kim Sunwoo of Korea on 22V/13D, while Esposito (AUS) added five bonus points after struggling in the Ranking Round with 16V/19D.

Riding

There were no maximum scores in the



An impressive clearance during the Riding discipline



Kate French (GBR) shoots on her way to victory



Action from the Fencing Bonus Round in Sofia (BUL)









Riding arena but 10 riders came within 10 points of perfection, and overall pace-setters Coyle (IRL, 293) and French (GBR, 294) were among them, making sure they would be among the first starters in Laser-Run.

Other riders who put themselves in overall contention with a solid ride were Batashova (RUS, 295), Oteiza (FRA, 295), Ozyuksel (TUR, 293) and Vega (MEX, 293).

Rio 2016 Olympic silver medallist Clouvel (FRA) picked up 29 penalties during Riding and was unable due to injury to finish the competition.

Laser-Run

Coyle (IRL) started with a 10sec advantage over French (GBR) and protected her advantage through the first two circuits. Oteiza (FRA) had set off in 3rd position but she was immediately swallowed up by Vega (MEX) and Batashova (RUS) who made an early dash for the podium.

Another athlete showing intent was Esposito (AUS), who had started 10th but soon moved up to 5th.

The 3rd visit to the shooting range was the moment the initiative changed hands, as French (GBR) took advantage of a sticky shoot by Coyle (IRL) to move into pole position. Thereafter the main excitement surrounded the battle for bronze, which seemed destined to be settled by the Olympic champion after her impressive win at World Cup Kecskemet.

To the crowd's surprise, however, Esposito (AUS) failed to produce her usual accuracy on the final shoot and it was Batashova (RUS) who kept her nerves under control to move into a podium position with a sub-10sec shoot. Right to the line the top three defended their positions well and were rewarded with the glittering prizes in this final outing before the Pentathlon World Cup Final.

The fastest Laser-Runner on the day



Kate French (GBR) came from 2nd place in Laser-Run to win gold

was Gintare Venckauskaite (LTU), who timed an impressive 11:47.93 to finish 23rd and end a difficult day on a high.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "It was a very high-level final and we could see that younger athletes are coming more and more to the top level, with the Olympic champion trying to get to the podium and finishing in 4th place.

"This gives us a lot of encouragement for the future, especially for the next two years with the Olympic qualification for Tokyo 2020."

Men's Individual: Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) savours career high

Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe of Ireland had topped the podium many times as a Mixed Relay champion but he won individual gold at a UIPM competition for the first time after blowing the competition away in Sofia.

It continued a spectacular week for one of pentathlon's most progressive nations, coming 24 hours after the silver medal won by Natalya Coyle (IRL) in the Women's Individual Final.

There was a 14sec gap between gold and silver, and the identity of the silver medallist underlined the quality of the winning performance. It was Jun Woongate of Korea, the world No.1,

who secured silver 5sec ahead of Pierre Dejardin of France.

Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL), the 2015 European champion, said: "I was feeling pretty beaten up after the semi-final and I was worried my legs wouldn't hold up, but I'm delighted. It's a bit of an outer-body experience.

"To make things even better my girlfriend medalled yesterday and this is the first time we have won individual medals at the World Cup so it's a great result all round.

"As you can see I'm pretty red in the face but thankfully my body held up today. We've come through some hard times and now the results are starting to show."

It was another day of success for Jun (KOR), who will be the man to beat at the Pentathlon World Cup Final in Astana (KAZ). The world No.1 started the Laser-Run in 3rd place but had too much ground to make up on Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL).

Jun (KOR) said: "I'm really glad I won second place, really happy about the result but I didn't really enjoy the process today. I'm looking forward to the World Cup Final."

The surprise face on the podium was Dejardin (FRA), who started the Laser-









Run in 12th place but surged through the field to comfortably claim bronze.

Dejardin (FRA) said: "I made very good shots today and I had a great feeling about my running. The conditions were perfect, good weather and the circuit was nice, I'm very grateful to my coach."

Swimming

Jun (KOR) and Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) immediately made their intentions clear in the pool with times of 2:01.83 and 2:01.92 respectively. But they were some way adrift of James Cooke of Great Britain (1:59.21).

Fencing

Competition was tight on the piste with Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) emerging as the main man with 23V/12D in the Ranking Round plus two points in the Bonus Round.

Alexander Lifanov of Russia also managed 23V/12D while Lee Jihun (KOR) reprised the form of his gold-medal performance at Pentathlon World Cup Los Angeles with 22V/13D.

The Dogue brothers from Germany, Marvin and Patrick, each scored 20V/15D and added two bonus points, while Jun (KOR) also stayed in the hunt with the same score in the Ranking Round.

Riding

A series of high-class performances on horseback enabled a number of athletes to get back into contention. There were perfect scores of 300 for Riccardo de Luca of Italy, Thomas Toolis (GBR), Lifanov (RUS) and Ondrej Polivka of Poland.

Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) protected his overall lead with a clean round (297) while Jun (KOR) was 1sec quicker and scored 298.

Laser-Run

Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) started 11sec ahead of Lee (KOR) and 17ec ahead of Lifanov (RUS), but the duo in 2nd and 3rd immediately came under pressure from Jun (KOR), who moved into silver-



Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) celebrates his moment of triumph



A steady aim keeps Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL) on track



Action from the Swimming in Sofia (BUL)









medal position by the halfway point.

Lee (KOR) looked likely to be a podium contender but he faded and it was Ilya Palazkov of Belarus who fronted up the chasing pack in 4th.

Lanigan-O'Keeffe (IRL), who finished 8th at the Rio 2016 Olympics, knew he had a robust lead throughout and never panicked. On the last two visits to the shooting range he was in and out before Jun (KOR) picked up his pistol.

The big change in the podium equation came at the third shoot, where a number of athletes entered with bronze in their sights and it was Dejardin (FRA) who leapfrogged the rest with a superb shoot.

There was no further drama but the race to the line was intense as athletes burst their lungs in pursuit of the points they needed to qualify for the Pentathlon World Cup Final. Brice Loubet (FRA) ran the fastest Laser-Run of the day (10:43.18) with Dejardin (FRA) not far behind (10:46.65).

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "It was a fantastic final and we saw a lot of athletes chasing hard for a topsix place, creating a lot of drama."

Mixed Relay: Czechs lead the charge

liska Pribylova and Jan Kuf showed a consistent level of



The Fencing Ranking Round kept spectators enthralled

professionalism and skill to win gold for the Czech Republic in the Mixed Relay.

The Czechs had a slender lead at the beginning of the Laser-Run but Pribylova (CZE) kept her running and shooting performance high to give Kuf (CZE) a straightforward task and eventually he crossed the line with 12sec to spare.

Behind him, Ahmed Elgendy ran with great tenacity to narrowly secure silver for Egypt alongside Salma Abdelmaksoud.

Elgendy (EGY), the star of the UIPM Under 19 Tetrathlon World Championships, overtook Yaraslau Radziuk of Belarus to force him to settle for bronze alongside Iryna Prasiantsova.

Gold medallist Kuf (CZE) said: "The whole day was so much fun, it started with really strong Swimming and then Fencing as well. In the Riding our horses were a bit tired, but who can blame them after so many days?

"We managed to shoot well, we kept our distance from the rest of the field ... and we won.

"This is a really good boost for the rest of the season because the beginning wasn't as good as I expected. This is fun."

Silver medallist Elgendy (EGY) said: "I'm very happy about this medal because it's the first senior medal of my life.



Men's Individual podium









I won gold in the UIPM Under 19 Tetrathlon World Championships last month and it was a dream to compete in a senior competition and get a medal. I'm happy with my running today."

Bronze medallist Prasiantsova (BLR) said "We enjoyed the whole day, we had some really nice Fencing and Swimming was good, and it was a nice competition for us.

Her partner Radziuk (BLR) added: "For Belarus it has been a very good season but it's only just started, and we have lots of competitions in the future. We had two individual medals at the second World Cup and now we have one in the Mixed Relay here. It's been a good season but it can get better."

Korea (Kim Sunwoo & Seo Changwan) finished 4th, one place ahead of Japan (Misaki Uchida & Tomoya Miguchi) in 5thwith France (Julie Belhamri & Brice Loubet) completing the top six.

Two-time World Cup Final winners Ireland had entered the Mixed Relay with especially high hopes after the individual exploits of Natalya Coyle (silver) and Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe (gold) in Sofia, but their bid for a third medal came undone on the Fencing piste as Lanigan-O'Keeffe withdrew due to injury.

Swimming

Japan (Uchida/Miguchi) were quickest off the mark with a fine performance in the pool, timing 1:55.81 for a three-point advantage over next-best Russia (Kseniia Fraltsova & Danila Glavatskikh) in 1:57.21 with favourites Ireland (Coyle/Lanigan-O'Keeffe) in 1:58.38.

Fencing

The Czech Republic (Pribylova/Kuf) performed superbly on the piste with 29 victories in the Ranking Round and another two points accrued in the Bonus Round.

Korea (Kim/Seo) were not far behind with 28 victories while Belarus (Prasiantsova/Radziuk) managed 26.



The moment of victory for Jan Kuf and Eliska Pribylova (CZE)



Pribylova and Kuf (CZE) enter the Swimming arena



Handover time for Iryna Prasiantsova and Yaraslau Radziuk (BLR)









Riding

The Czech Republic (Pribylova/Kuf) protected their overall lead with a solid performance for 284 points from the Riding discipline, seven fewer than top performers Mexico (Tamara Vega & Alvaro Sandoval) and host nation Bulgaria (Presiyana Disheva & Todor Mihalev).

Japan (Uchida/Miguchi) also stayed in touch with a score of 289, the same as China (Zhong Xiuting & Li Shuhuan).

Laser-Run

Immediately Kim (KOR) made up 5sec on Pribylova (BLR) at the first visit to the shooting range but the leader refused to be intimidated by the two-time world junior champion and she held her speed during the two 800m laps to hand over a strong advantage to Kuf (CZE).

Behind them, Abdelmaksoud (EGY) moved up to 3rd at the first shoot but was then overtaken by fast starter Prasiantsova (BLR) who then moved past Kim (KOR) too.

The Czech Republic (Pribylova/Kuf) led at the handover followed by Belarus (Prasiantsova/Radziuk) and Egypt (Abdelmaksoud/Elgendy) and it was only on the final running lap that there was any change to the podium order.

Aged 18, Elgendy (EGY) has proved



A good clearance under beautiful blue skies in Sofia (BUL)

himself to be one of the very best youth pentathletes in the world this season and Radziuk (BLR) was unable to prevent him from moving Egypt into the silver-medal position, albeit the pair raced each other right to the line.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "The most important part of the Mixed Relay is the team spirit and what it means when you are together, man and woman competing together for the result of being on the podium.

"The Mixed Relay is one of the highlights of our movement and we

are supporting this as much as we can, and we can see that the athletes really love it.

"We are looking forward now to the Pentathlon World Cup Final in Astana where the very best athletes will compete in the Mixed Relay."

Andrey Kuzmanov, President of the Bulgarian Modern Pentathlon Federation, said: "I think everything was excellent about this competition, and the Mixed Relay was a perfect way to finish."



Mixed Relay podium









Youth Olympic Games:

Ideal location for Modern Pentathlon athletes

Pentathletes competing at the Buenos Aires 2018 Youth Olympic Games will only have to walk 300 metres from their accommodation to the Olympic Park where they will compete for medals.

Two of the venues for Modern Pentathlon will be shared with Swimming and Fencing and the athletes accommodation in the YOG Olympic Villa is only a short walk away.

Officials from the Argentina Olympic Committee (COA) paid a formal visit on May 18 to the accommodation and venues for the Modern Pentathlon, which will take the form of Tetrathlon at the Games (Swimming, Fencing and Laser-Run).

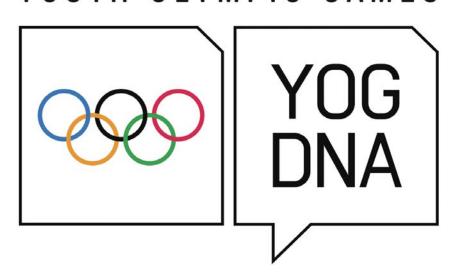
The delegation included Dr Gerardo Werthein (COA President and IOC Member), Dr Alicia Masson de Morea (COA Vice-President) and Jorge Salas (UIPM Executive Board Member and South American Confederation President), and Mario Mocias (Director of the Buenos Aires YOG Organising Committee).

The pentathlon venue at the Olympic Park in the centre of Buenos Aires will feature a special promotional area where children can find out more about the sport.

The 3rd Youth Olympic Games runs from October 6-18 with three Modern Pentathlon competitions (Men's Individual, Women's Individual and Mixed Relay) taking place on October 12-14 and 16. To date, 30 athletes have secured a qualifying place.



YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES



Global Laser-Run City Tour

Circuit returns to Rostov-on-Don (RUS)

The city of Rostov-on-Don in Russia hosted its second Global Laser-Run City Tour on May 1, 2018 – with more than 250 participants experiencing UIPM's fastest-growing development sport.

People of all ages took part, from children of six to 63-year-old Igor Solimentsev from Luhansk. There was a noticeable surge in numbers aged 13 to 15, thanks to the work of two local coaches who visited a number of schools to give a presentation on Laser-Run to pupils. This aroused a huge interest in the sport in the city.

Many local politicians and sports administrators were present, including the Governor and Deputy Governor of Rostov, the Minister for Sport, the President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Rostov and the head of the department of military schools.

The competition was accompanied by singing and dancing by local folk groups, who also participated in the awards ceremonies.

One family, the Valayevs from St Petersburg, made a special contribution to this GLRCT as six children from the family and their parents took part in the racing. Mrs Valayev won the senior women's event and the children received three awards.

The Government of Rostov declared that it wanted to establish Rostov as a perennial host of GLRCT with the aim of staging another Tour in 2019.

Education on the agenda in Olympia (GRE)

ollowing the success of the UIPM Laser-Run City Tour in Olympia



Male participants in Rostov-on-Don (RUS)

(GRE) in 2017, the Hellenic Modern Pentathlon Federation (HFMP) staged another special Laser-Run event in the ancient home of the Olympic Games.

More than 60 schoolchildren took part in a Laser-Run race at the International

Olympic Academy on April 28, many of them experiencing the UIPM's fastestgrowing development sport for the first time. But Laser-Run was not the only UIPM Sport on the itinerary.

With representatives of the National



Youth athletes receive instruction in Rostov-on-Don (RUS)









Olympic Academy of Greece and the Albanian National Olympic Committee present, as well as world and European champion athletes, the children received an educational session on the contribution of Pierre de Coubertin to Olympic sport and an introduction to Modern Pentathlon.

Coubertin founded Modern Pentathlon after establishing the modern Olympic Games in the early 20th century, and the session in Olympia (GRE) took place close to the Coubertin Grove where his heart is buried.

"The schoolchildren tried Laser-Run and so did our visitors and everybody was very enthusiastic about it," said HFMP President Anastasios Pantazidis.

"In fact the kids were so excited that they arranged a presentation about their experiences, from their own initiative, the day after the event. My thanks go to the National Olympic Academy of Greece for supporting this event."

Kiev (UKR) doubles participation rates

The surge in popularity of the Global Laser-Run City Tour was underlined in Kiev, Ukraine, on May 12



Laser-Runners on the start line in Kiev (UKR)

when participation rates doubled.

In 2017 the capital city attracted about 200 athletes and this year the number grew to more than 400, with ablebodied and wheelchair athletes of all ages taking part.

Racing took place at the velodrome in the heart of Kiev with many spectators lining the course to watch youth, elite and Masters competitors take part, as well as journalists and government officials in trial categories.

Igor Panin, President of the Ukrainian Modern Pentathlon Federation, said:

"Laser -Run is a good example of the popularity of UIPM Sports in Ukraine.

"Last year we had about 200 athletes, this year the amount of participants doubled and we had more than 400. Moreover, this time we had athletes with disabilities who competed in a Para-Pentathlon race.

"It was a very dynamic and exciting competition and you could see that this sport is open to everybody. I would like to thanks the many participants, coaches, Local Organising Committee and to the UIPM for their great support and positive emotions."



Children enjoy their Laser-Run experience in Kiev (UKR)









Nizhny Novgorod (RUS) warms up for FIFA World Cup

Four weeks before the start of football's 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia, the city of Nizhny Novgorod warmed up with its first instalment of the Global Laser-Run City Tour.

A total of 300 competitors were drawn to the city, coming from Moscow, St Petersburg, Samara, Arzamas, Kstovo and Mulino as well as the local area.

People competed across 10 age categories (under-11 to over-60), with a huge range of athletes testing their Laser-Run skills at Podeba Park in the city centre.

Nizhny Novgorod is renowned for spectacular sporting and cultural events and this Laser-Run showpiece was a real festival of sport, art and music, with a pop group, brass band and cheerleading group providing entertainment for spectators.

The event was organised by the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Russia in conjunction with the Ministry of Sport of Nizhny Novgorod, Department of Sport and Tourism of the City, and the Sport School of Modern Pentathlon and Equestrian.

Dmitry Svatkovsky, Vice-Governor of the region, Sydney 2000 Olympic champion and President of the European Confederation of Modern Pentathlon, gave an opening speech in which he greeted all the spectators and participants and stressed the importance of the Global Laser-Run City Tour.

"This is a unique urban sport, it is easy and pleasant to organize in cities and towns, which is very efficient for the development of mass sport and entertainment of citizens of all ages," he said.

"I know that the organizers of this tournament are very professional and I am sure that they demonstrate the highest level of these competitions to the MP community."



Children of all ages take aim in Nizhny Novgorod (RUS)



Sydney 2000 Olympic Modern Pentathlon champion Dmitry Svatkovsky (RUS) with youth winners

Modena brings Italy to the party

taly, one of the top-performing nations on the Modern Pentathlon circuit in recent years, has joined the rapidly-growing Laser-Run community after hosting its first Global Laser-Run City Tour.

The city of Modena became the first of three GLRCT hosts in Italy in 2018 when it staged a mass-participation

competition in the central Piazza Roma.

There was a try-out opportunity on the evening of May 19, coinciding with European Museum Night, with first-time participants taking part at a number of venues across the city until 1am

The following day, May 20, saw the overall number of participants stretch to more than 500 as the official









competition took place at the venue, in front of the iconic Palazzo Ducale in the centre of Modena.

Simone Cotura, Italian Modern Pentathlon Federation (FIPM) counsellor, said: "We are very happy with this first GLRCT in Italy, which can be already considered a success.

"This is a great opportunity to promote and give more visibility to our sport. It is an incredible chance for new people sampling the sport and we had more than 180 new licences issued for the event.

Kosovo celebrates its own Olympic Day in style

A special Olympic Day was held in Kosovo on May 25 with Laser-Run at the heart of the celebrations.

About 5,000 children aged nine and ten – all of them born in Kosovo's Independence Year of 2008 – took part in running events in seven different city centres.

In the capital, Pristina, more than 2,500 children participated and hundreds of them had their first taste of UIPM Sports through the Global Laser-Run City Tour. Four-time Olympian Deniss Cerkovskis (LAT) was one of the coaches.

June 23 is the global Olympic Day, marking the anniversary of the creation of the International Olympic Committee in 1894, but Kosovo schedules its own celebration in recognition of the formation of the Kosovo Olympic Committee on May 27, 1992.

Laser-Run was launched in 2015 with the first World Championships taking place in Perpignan (FRA).

The Global Laser-Run City Tour took place in parks, stadiums and iconic urban venues in 60 cities around the world in 2017, with more than 15,000 participants. There are about 100 events scheduled in 2018.



1st picture: The historic city of Modena plays host to Italy's first Global Laser-Run City Tour





Olympic Day in Kosovo was a special occasion with Laser-Run at the heart













News from around the world

Coaches certified in Moldova thanks to IOC Olympic Solidarity Fund

Then female and eight male coaches earned their UIPM Level 1 Coaches Certificates in the first UIPM educational initiative to take place in the Republic of Moldova.

The course took place in the capital city of Chisinau from April 30 to May 4 and was run by four-time Olympic pentathlete Deniss Cerkovskis (LAT), a member of the UIPM Instructors Group.

The syllabus covered theoretical and practical coaching activities and allowed participants to exchange and reflect on their experiences before sitting written and oral examinations.

At the end of the course, sponsored by

the IOC's Olympic Solidarity scheme, the newly-qualified coaches were awarded Level 1 certificates and pins.

Christina Vasilianov, Secretary General of the Moldova Olympic Committee and the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Moldova, said: "The course was held in a professional and enthusiastic environment.

"The participants appreciated the efficiency of the course and its value in the context of their further professional development."

Since 2018, all entrants in UIPM Coaching Certification Programme courses must be certified on the Coach True e-learning module, a computer-based learning tool created by the World Anti-Doping Agency.

'Great honour' for Viacheslav Aminov (RUS)

Viacheslav Aminov, the UIPM Vice-President and Executive Board Member for Business Affairs, has been elected as Vice-President of the Russian Olympic Committee (ROC).

Mr Aminov was appointed to his new position by the Russian Olympic Assembly, which elected Stanislav Pozdynakov as President in place of Alexander Zhukov.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "We congratulate Stanislav Pozdynakov and Viacheslav Aminov on their election by the Russian Olympic Assembly to these important positions in the Olympic movement in Russia.



The newly-qualified UIPM Level 1 coaches in Moldova









"It is a great honour for UIPM that Mr Aminov has been chosen for such a senior role within the Russian Olympic Committee and on behalf of our UIPM society I wish him every success."

Asia stages first continental youth competition in Chonburi (THA)

Teenage athletes from 11 nations gathered in Chonburi, Thailand for the 2018 Under 19 Tetrathlon Asia & Oceania Championships from May 24-27.

Ranking points were at stake for athletes aiming to qualify for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires (ARG) and the event broke new ground for the UIPM Sports movement in Asia as a standalone competition at continental level for youths.

All of the Tetrathlon disciplines (Swimming, Fencing and Laser-Run) took place in one venue at Chonburi Sports Club across Women's and Men's Individual and Mixed Relay categories, following an opening ceremony at the J&Y Hotel.

Zhang Bin (CHN), Vice-President of the Asian Modern Pentathlon Confederation (AMPC), said: "This was not only a Youth Olympic Games ranking points competition but also the first youth competition in Asia to be held apart from the senior Asian Championships. That, and the number of participating countries, made it a very historic moment.

"The AMPC hope this will be a good beginning as well as a big step for the Modern Pentathlon Association of Thailand to develop our Olympic sport of Modern Pentathlon in Asia."

Admiral Supot Soodprasert, Vice-President of the Modern Pentathlon Association of Thailand (MPAT) and chair of the organizing committee, issued a warm welcome at the opening ceremony to the athletes, coaches and volunteers who worked hard to arrange and manage the competition.



Viacheslav Aminov (RUS), left, with new ROC President Stanislav Pozdynakov

UIPM statement on Logan Storie (USA)

The UIPM Doping Review Panel has imposed a 15-month suspension on the athlete Logan Storie (USA) following a doping violation.

The athlete tested positive for the prohibited substances androsterone and etiocholanone after a urine test carried out during UIPM Pentathlon World Cup Los Angeles on February 24, 2017.

The offence contravened Article 2.1 of the UIPM Anti-Doping Rules, which carries a standard suspension of four

years, "unless the athlete can establish that the violation was not intentional".

In this case, Logan Storie (USA) provided evidence that satisfied the UIPM Doping Review Panel that he did not knowingly ingest the prohibited substances, and his suspension was set at 15 months. All of his results in UIPM competitions since February 24, 2017 have been disqualified and he was free to return to the sport from May 24, 2018.

UIPM is fully committed to the fight against doping and the promotion of clean sport and clean athletes.



A group photograph of Under 19 participants in Chonburi (THA)









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.

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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

03.-07.05.2018, Kecskement, HUN

While attending UIPM 2018 Pentathlon World Cup Kecskemet, UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann met twice with Krisztian Kulcsar, President of the Hungarian Olympic Committee (HOC) and Olympic champion in fencing, and HOC Sports Director László Fábián, who won Modern Pentathlon team gold with Hungary in the Seoul 1988 Olympic Games.

They discussed the Olympic movement in Hungary and the historical close cooperation that has existed close cooperation that has existed for many decades with Modern Pentathlon. Together with Dr Gyula Bretz, President of the Hungarian Modern Pentathlon Association, they also spoke about preparations for three upcoming events in Budapest: the 1st FISU Modern Pentathlon World Championships in July 2018, the CISM World Championships in September 2018 and the UIPM 2019 Pentathlon World Championships in September 2019. UIPM Secretary General Shiny Fang took part in all meetings.



UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann with Hungarian Olympic Committee President Krisztian Kulcsar (far right), Sports Director László Fábián (far left) and Bulgarian Modern Pentathlon Federation President Andrey Kuzmanov



Left to right: Márton Szenes, Kitty Chiller, Dr Gyula Bretz, Dr Klaus Schormann, Shiny Fang, Christian Roudaut and Andrejus Zadneprovskis



Dr Klaus Schormann and Dr Gyula Bretz are flanked by other dignitaries during the Men's Individual Final award ceremony









05.05.2018

Márton Szenes, Executive Director of Hirös Sport Ltd, briefed the UIPM President and a number of colleagues from the Executive Board on future sporting possibilities in Kecskemet. The briefing took place at a working dinner hosted by Dr Gyula Bretz and Shiny Fang (Secretary General), Kitty Chiller (President, Oceania Confederation), Christian Roudaut (Chair, Coaches Committee) and Andrejus Zadneprovskis (Executive Board Member for Media) were all present. A Laser-Run event and European youth competition were two of the possibilities discussed.

19.-20.05.2018 Wiesbaden-Bieberich, GER

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann attended the International Equestrian Festival in Castle Biebrich, where he met with society members from sport, politics and business to discuss the role that sporting events can play in entertainment, business and in the integration of different societies.

23.-28.05.2018 Sofia, BUL

During his visit to Pentathlon World Cup Sofia, the UIPM President arranged a number of meetings with Secretary General Shiny Fang to brief Executive Board Members Janusz Peciak (Member for Sport), Christian Roudaut (Chair of Coaches Committee) and Robert Stull (President, NORCECA Confederation) about preparations for Tokyo 2020 and upcoming activities.

Dr Schormann met with Krum Rashkov, Secretary General of the Bulgarian Equestrian Federation, and discussed the importance of horse selection in the Modern Pentathlon Riding discipline. UIPM works in close cooperation with the riding society.

The UIPM President and Andrey Kuzmanov, President of the Bulgarian Modern Pentathlon Federation, met with Prof Pencho Geshev, Rector of the



Left to right: Dr Gyula Bretz, Shiny Fang, Dr Klaus Schormann, two-time Olympic Modern Pentathlon gold medallist Dr Ferenc Török and his wife, Zsuzsa

Vasil Levski National Sports Academy, to discuss future opportunities for students to take part in FISU Modern Pentathlon competitions.

Dr Schormann met with Secretary General Shiny Fang to review UIPM actions since January 2018 and to update a working plan for the next period, covering in detail the UIPM 2018 Pentathlon World Cup Final in Astana (KAZ), the Asian Games in Jakarta (INA) in August/September and the Youth

Olympic Summer Games in Buenos Aires (ARG) in October. Also on the agenda was the UIPM 70th anniversary celebration during the UIPM Congress in Limassol (CYP).

With Alain Lunzenfichter, Member of the UIPM Pierre de Coubertin Commission, President Dr Schormann shared ideas for nominations to the UIPM Hall of Fame in 2018 and discussed actions linked to publications for the 70th anniversary of UIPM.



Dr Schormann with UIPM technical delegates Dr Vladimir Miller (left) and Dmitry Menshikov (right)









New Balance World Rankings

The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition. PWR as at 06 June 2018:

MEN			
RANK	NATION	NAME	POINTS
1	HUN	Robert KASZA	185
2	KOR	Woongtae JUN	181
3	UKR	Pavlo TYMOSHCHENKO	177
4	FRA	Valentin BELAUD	169
5	KOR	Jinhwa JUNG	167
6	LTU	Justinas KINDERIS	156
7	RUS	Aleksander LESUN	155
8	HUN	Bence DEMETER	154
9	HUN	Adam MAROSI	152
10	IRL	Arthur LANIGAN-O KEEFFE	150
11	BLR	Ilya PALAZKOV	149
12	POL	Jaroslaw SWIDERSKI	149
13	GER	Marvin Faly DOGUE	147
14	CZE	Jan KUF	146
15	KOR	Jihun LEE	146
16	GBR	Joseph CHOONG	141
17	EGY	Eslam HAMAD	137
18	RUS	Kirill BELYAKOV	129
19	FRA	Christopher PATTE	124
20	FRA	Valentin PRADES	123

WOMEN	V			
RANK	NATION	NAME	POINTS	
1	RUS	Gulnaz GUBAYDULLINA	210	
2	BLR	Anastasiya PROKOPENKO	196	
3	HUN	Tamara ALEKSZEJEV	193	
4	HUN	Sarolta KOVACS	169	
5	LTU	Laura ASADAUSKAITE	163	
6	GBR	Kate FRENCH	162	
7	GER	Annika SCHLEU	159	
8	TUR	Ilke OZYUKSEL	154	
9	AUS	Chloe ESPOSITO	150	
10	HUN	Zsofia FOLDHAZI	143	
11	ITA	Alice SOTERO	141	
12	KOR	Sunwoo KIM	138	
13	ITA	Gloria TOCCHI	138	
14	MEX	Tamara VEGA	137	
15	RUS	Uliana BATASHOVA	136	
16	FRA	Elodie CLOUVEL	134	
17	IRL	Natalya COYLE	132	
18	CHN	Yufei BIAN	132	
19	ITA	Francesca TOGNETTI	132	
20	KAZ	Elena POTAPENKO	127	

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