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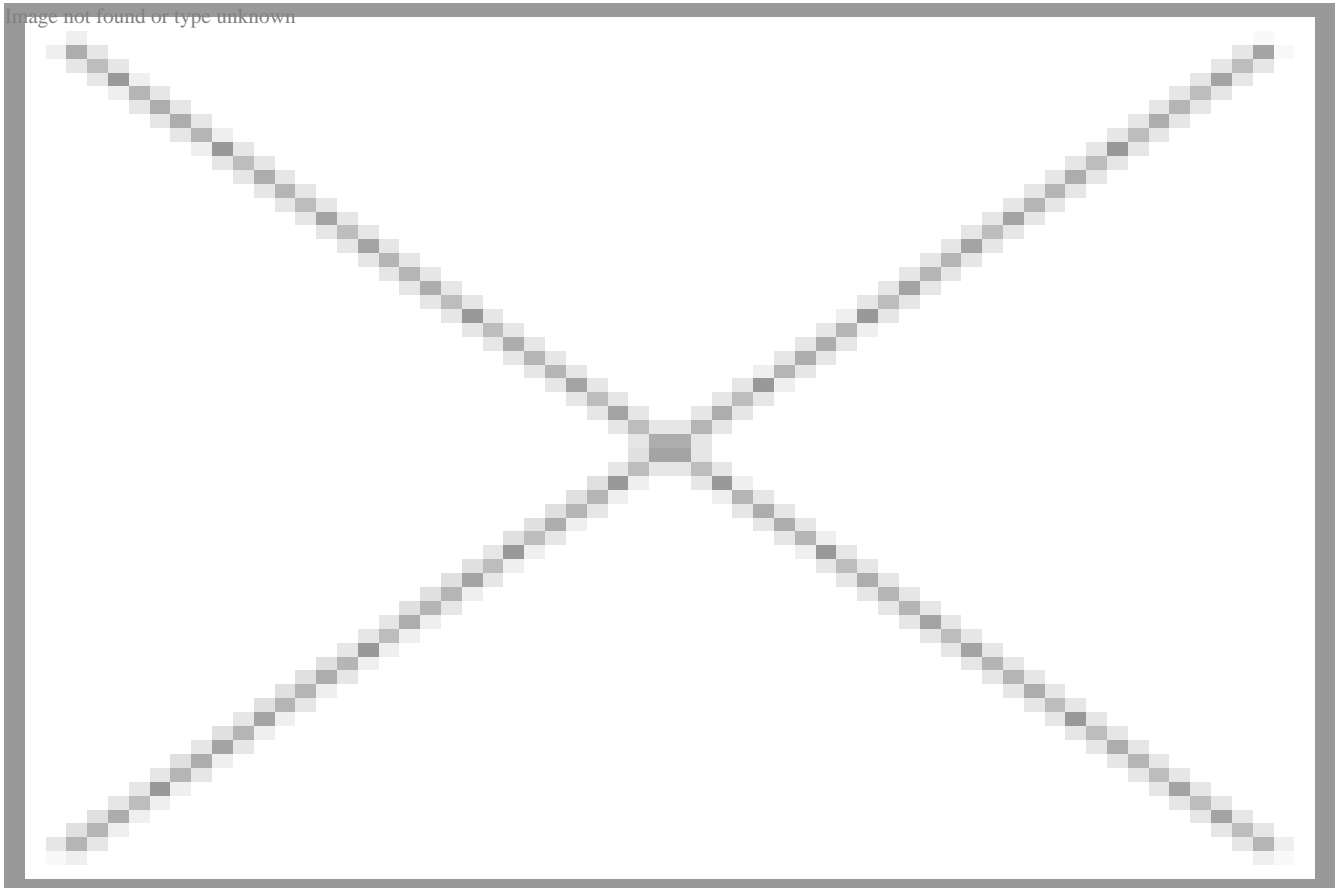
UIPM 2017 U19 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: ITALY FINISH ON A HIGH WITH MIXED RELAY GOLD

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Italy won their third title and fourth medal of the UIPM 2017 U19 World Championships with a hard-fought gold in the Mixed Relay.

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six UIPM continental confederations (Europe, Asia, Africa, Oceania, NORCECA and South America) were represented by their best teenage athletes in Prague and it was Elena Micheli and Giorgio Malan who came out on top after fending off a stern challenge from silver medallists Russia (Adelina Ibatullina & Pavel Babanin).

Bronze went to Egypt (Haydy Morsy & Ahmed Elgendy), who finished the competition as the most prolific nation with an exceptional six medals.

For the Italian team, the success of Micheli & Malan completed a strong demonstration of their own impressive development programme. Russia also fared well; today's second place was their third medal of the championships.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "I congratulate all the medallists who have performed so well at the UIPM U19 World Championships and I would like to thank the organisers and the volunteers who have made this week in Prague so special."

The UIPM U19 World Championships, formerly known as the UIPM Youth A World Championships, comprise a Tetrathlon format (Fencing / Swimming / Laser-Run).

All results are available at the UIPM website.

The next major event on the UIPM 2017 calendar is the UIPM Junior World Championships (for U23 pentathletes) from August 7-14 in Szekesfehervar (HUN).