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# **UIPM 2020 JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS IN POLAND POSTPONED TO 2022**



Poland will host the UIPM 2022 Junior World Championships as part of an agreement to postpone this year's competition.

The UIPM 2020 Junior World Championships – Modern Pentathlon's flagship under-age competition – was scheduled to take place in Drzonkow (POL) from September 20-26.

The competition has been postponed by the UIPM Executive Board due to travel restrictions caused by the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic, but Poland will now stage the competition in 2022 instead – one year ahead of the 3rd European Games in Krakow (POL).

The UIPM 2021 Junior World Championships will take place in Alexandria (EGY) but the 2022 edition had not yet been allocated. The agreement allows organisers in Poland to defer their plans for the competition by two years.

The UIPM President, Dr Klaus Schormann, said: "It is regrettable that we will have no UIPM Junior

World Championships in 2020 due to the global Coronavirus situation, but I am happy that we have been able to make an arrangement that will bring the competition back to Poland – which has been such an excellent host of UIPM competitions going back many years – in 2022.

“I would like to send a message to our junior athletes that we will do everything we can to arrange the UIPM 2021 Junior World Championships as early as possible in the year.”

The UIPM Executive Board Member for Sport, 1976 Olympic champion Janusz Peciak, added: “In very difficult circumstances I believe this is a positive outcome.

“Junior athletes, together with their coaches and support teams, can now make preparations for the resumption of global competition in 2021.

“I am also happy for the organisers in Poland, who we know we will do an excellent job of hosting the UIPM 2022 Junior World Championships.”

