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UIPM 2023 PENTATHLON WORLD CUP CAIRO: KLUNNIKOVA (UKR) AND SOTERO (ITA) IMPRESS IN WOMEN'S SEMI-FINALS TO CLAIM FINAL PLACES

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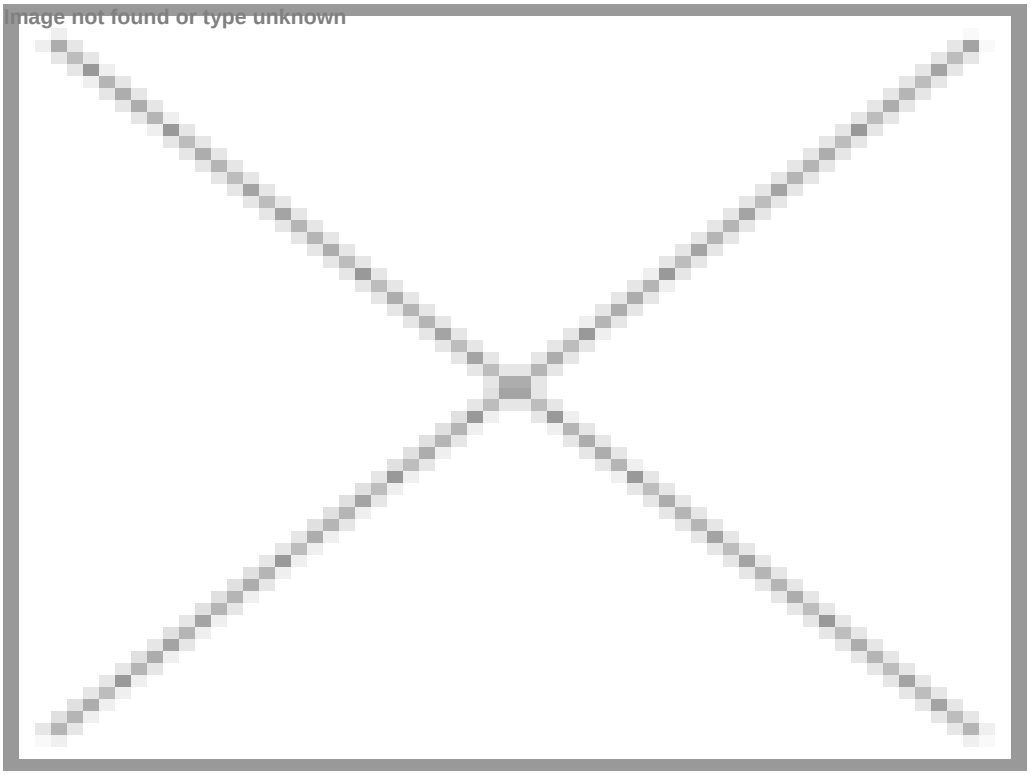

Olha Klunnikova's fairytale World Cup debut reached a new height on Thursday as the **Ukrainian** led a star-studded field into the finals of UIPM 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo.

Klunnikova (UKR) who is just 20 years old, notched the highest score of all 36 athletes in the Women's Semi-finals on day three of the competition, winning Semi-final A ahead of **Seungmin Seong** of **Korea** and home favourite **Malak Ismail** of **Egypt**.

Semi-final B was won by **Alice Sotero** of **Italy** with **Egypt's Salma Abdelmaksoud** and Sotero's compatriot, world No.2 **Elena Micheli (ITA)** in close pursuit. Current World No.1 **Michelle Gulyas** of **Hungary** also progressed safely from her Semi-final group.

UIPM 2022 Pentathlon World Cup Final winner **Elodie Clouvel** of **France** will go into Saturday's

Final with an overall lead of 10 points after scoring 25V/9D in the Fencing Ranking Round.

Other athletes to watch in the 18-strong Final line-up will be **Jessica Varley** of **Great Britain** and **Rebecca Langrehr** of **Germany.** In total 11 nations and three continents will be represented in the first Women's Final of the World Cup season.

UIPM 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo continues tomorrow (March 10) with the Men's Semi-finals before the Finals on 'Super Saturday' (March 11), with the Mixed Relay concluding the competition on May 12.

Live stream of both Finals will be available on UIPM TV and up-to-date results of all competitions are available at the UIPM website and via the UIPM Central app.

The list of qualified athletes for the Women's Final is as follows:

Rank	Name	Nation	MP Points
1	KLUNNIKOVA Olha	UKR	1077
2	SEONG Seungmin	KOR	1067
3	SOTERO Alice	ITA	1064
4	ABDELMAKSOUD Salma	EGY	1064
5	MICHELI Elena	ITA	1064
6	HEREDIA Laura	ESP	1063
7	CLOUVEL Elodie	FRA	1063
8	KHOKHLOVA Iryna	UKR	1063
9	ISMAIL Malak	EGY	1062
10	VENCKAUSKAITE Gintare	LTU	1062
11	GULYAS Michelle	HUN	1061
12	OTEIZA Marie	FRA	1060
13	VARLEY Jessica	GBR	1060
14	LANGREHR Rebecca	GER	1058
15	KIM Sehee	KOR	1058
16	UCHIDA Misaki	JPN	1057
17	BARTA Luca	HUN	1057
18	BAUER Blanka	HUN	1056