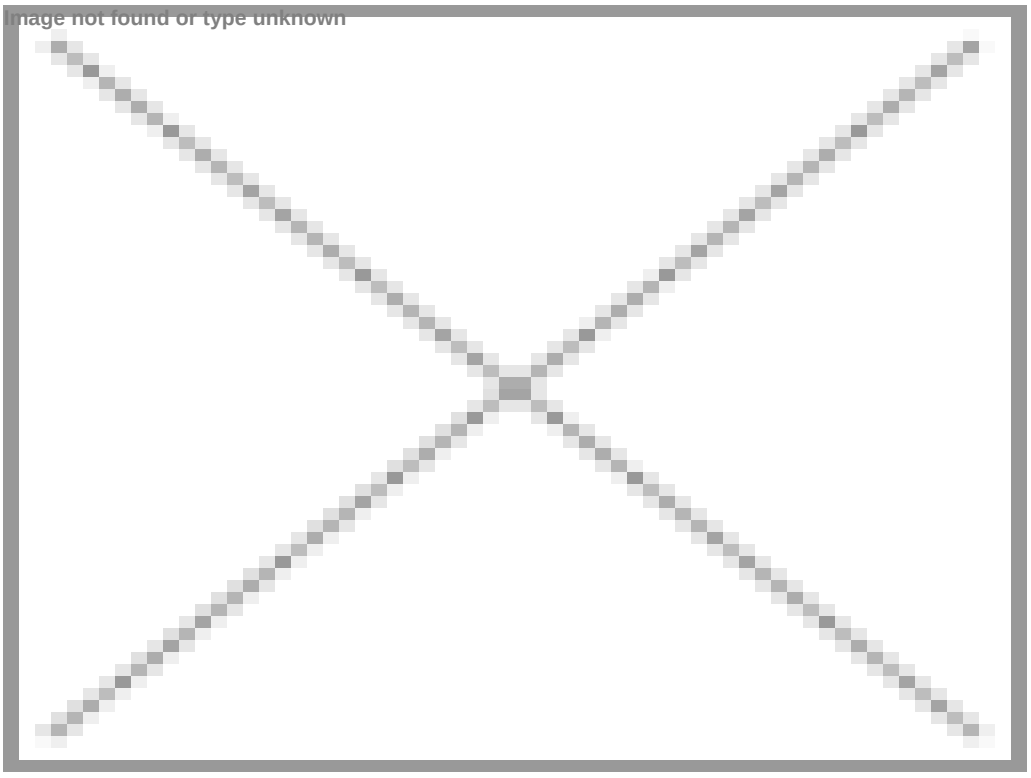
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UIPM COACHES CERTIFICATION PROGRAMME: COACHING DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA CONTINUES APACE WITH SUCCESSFUL COURSE IN CAIRO (EGY)



The Egyptian capital of Cairo may have been the scene of a pulsating opening instalment of the UIPM 2023 Pentathlon World Cup season. But the action didn't end when the medals were handed out.

The Monday morning after the competition ended saw a large group of coaches from four different nations continue their journeys up the UIPM Coaches Certification Programme (CCP) ladder in Cairo.

The week-long Level 2 course from March 13-17 took place at Cairo Stadium and featured 19 coaches with 15 from the host nation, two from Uganda and one each from India and Kuwait.

Under the expert tutelage of CCP Level 4 coach Raouf Mahrous (EGY), all of the coaches present successfully passed and received their CCP Level 2 certification.

Africa has emerged as an area of exciting growth for UIPM sports in recent years and there is a continuing focus on coaching development ahead of the Dakar 2026 Youth Olympic Games. This course in Cairo (EGY) was the second of five in 2023 with three more to come.

“Cairo continues to be the site of very important moments in our sport and this recent course falls into that bracket too,” said **UIPM Coaches Committee Chairman Christian Roudaut.**

“We have been clear about the benefits of putting time and effort into developing coaching in Africa as our sports continue to grow there. It’s so pleasing to see two African nations represented on this course and two other countries where our sports are developing. I want to thank Raouf and the organisers and I look forward to three more courses to come later this year in Africa.”

Sylvestre Zare, President of the African Modern Pentathlon Confederation (CAPM), added: “First of all, I would like to congratulate the instructor Raouf who is passionate about sport and loves a job well done. I congratulate the entire Egyptian federation, headed by the indefatigable Sharif, who is the locomotive of the Modern Pentathlon development train in Africa.

“Training is the cornerstone of all development. Therefore, it is our number 1 priority. I hope that the knowledge acquired will be used by our pentathletes to make them more efficient. Africa is on the move.”