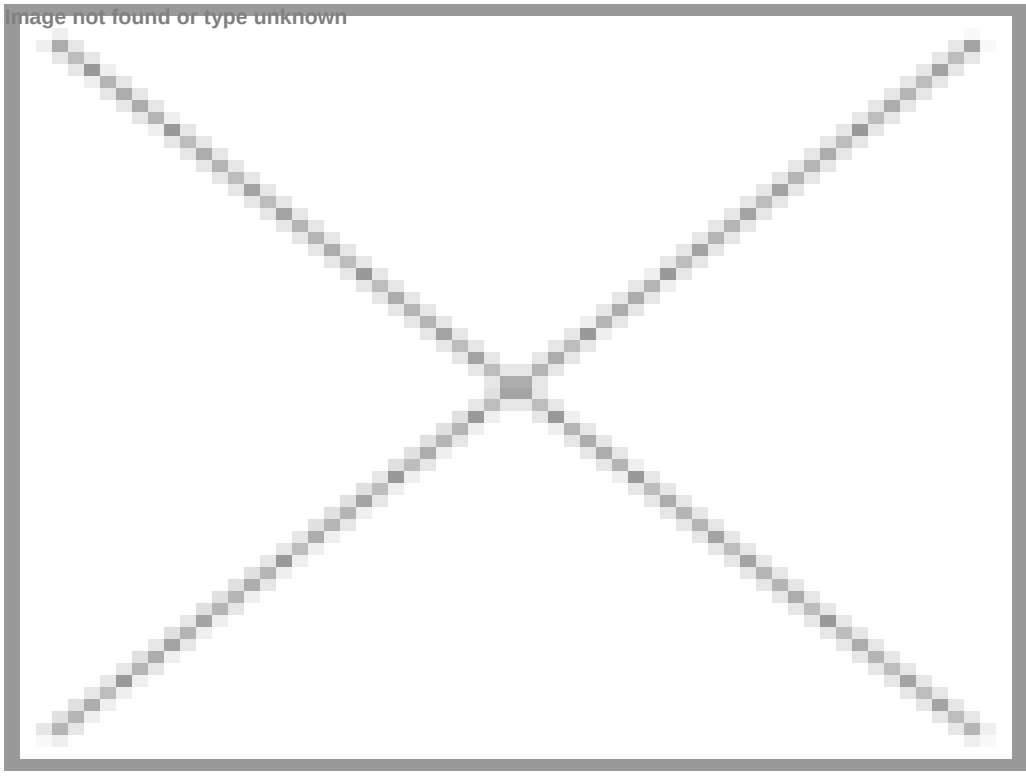


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# UIPM 2023 PENTATHLON WORLD CUP SOFIA: MEN'S QUALIFICATION

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UIPM 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Sofia continued today with 70 athletes taking part in the Men's Qualification.

The top-scoring athlete of the day (1,154 points) and first across the line in Qualification Group B was **Linbin Zhang** of **China**, followed by **Taishu Sato** of **Japan**, **Todor Mihalev** of host nation **Bulgaria** and European champion **Woojin Park** of **Korea**.

The best performer in Qualification Group A was **Eslam Hamad** of **Egypt**, who finished 1sec ahead of a group comprising **Jihun Lee** (KOR), **Stefano Frezza** of **Italy**, Tokyo 2020 Olympic champion **Joseph Choong** of **Great Britain**, **Shuai Luo** (CHN) and **Lorenzo Macias** of **Mexico**.

Also among the successful qualifiers were **France** team-mates **Valentin Prades** and **Christopher Patte**, **Balazs Szep** and **Richard Bereczki** of **Hungary** and the **Germany** duo of **Marvin Dogue** and **Christian Zillekens**.

Pentathlon World Cup Sofia continues tomorrow (May 11) with the Women's Semi-finals, followed by the Men's Semi-finals on May 12, the Finals on May 13 and the Mixed Relay on May 14.

Live stream of the Semi-finals and Finals is available on UIPM TV and all competition results are available at the UIPM website.

The list of 36 qualified athletes for the Men's Semi-final is:

| <b>Rank</b> | <b>Name</b>         | <b>Nation</b> | <b>MP Points</b> |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1           | ZHANG Linbin        | CHN           | 1154             |
| 2           | SATO Taishu         | JPN           | 1153             |
| 3           | HAMAD Eslam         | EGY           | 1152             |
| 4           | MIHALEV Todor       | BUL           | 1152             |
| 5           | PARK Woojin         | KOR           | 1152             |
| 6           | LEE Jihun           | KOR           | 1151             |
| 7           | FREZZA Stefano      | ITA           | 1151             |
| 8           | CHOONG Joseph       | GBR           | 1151             |
| 9           | LUO Shuai           | CHN           | 1151             |
| 10          | MACIAS Lorenzo      | MEX           | 1151             |
| 11          | DEJARDIN Pierre     | FRA           | 1150             |
| 12          | SVECHOTA Ondrej     | CZE           | 1150             |
| 13          | DOGUE Marvin Faly   | GER           | 1150             |
| 14          | ZILLEKENS Christian | GER           | 1150             |
| 15          | GRYCZ Marek         | CZE           | 1149             |
| 16          | BERECZKI Richard    | HUN           | 1148             |
| 17          | MITTERRAND Fernand  | GER           | 1148             |
| 18          | REGOS Gergely       | HUN           | 1147             |
| 19          | SZEP Balazs         | HUN           | 1147             |
| 20          | FLEUROT Ugo         | FRA           | 1147             |
| 21          | PATTE Christopher   | FRA           | 1146             |
| 22          | MICHELI Roberto     | ITA           | 1146             |
| 23          | CHAMIZO Cristian    | ESP           | 1145             |
| 24          | SHINOKI Kaoru       | JPN           | 1145             |
| 25          | KHIJAKADZE Gaga     | GEO           | 1145             |
| 26          | MUELLER Vital       | SUI           | 1145             |
| 27          | MOHAMED Moutaz      | EGY           | 1144             |
| 28          | KOLEV Denis         | BUL           | 1144             |
| 29          | PRADES Valentin     | FRA           | 1144             |
| 30          | PILLAGE Myles       | GBR           | 1144             |
| 31          | PURONAS Titas       | LTU           | 1143             |
| 32          | PADILLA Manuel      | MEX           | 1143             |
| 33          | TAMAS Jozsef        | HUN           | 1140             |
| 34          | XIE Yushan          | CHN           | 1140             |
| 35          | TUMA Matous         | CZE           | 1139             |
| 36          | HERNANDEZ Emiliano  | MEX           | 1136             |