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UIPM PRESIDENT SCHORMANN MEETS BULGARIA PRESIDENT RADEV

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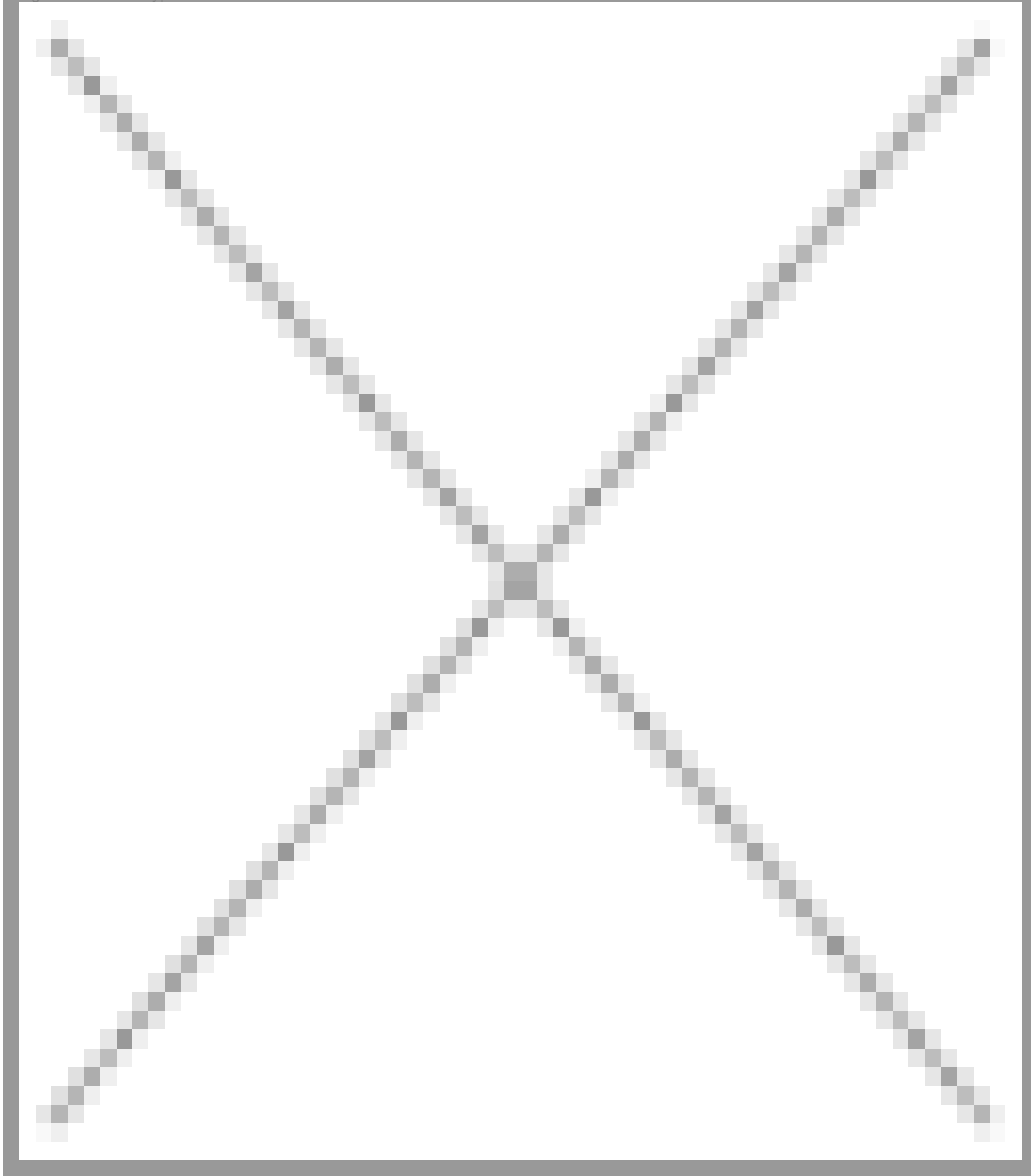


UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann held a meeting with the State President of Bulgaria, Rumen Radev, during his attendance at UIPM 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Sofia.

President Radev received the UIPM President and Secretary General Shiny Fang, along with Bulgaria Modern Pentathlon Federation (BMPF) President Kameliya Aleksandrova and former Sports Minister and BMPF President Andrey Kuzmanov, at his Presidential office in the capital city.

They spoke about matters relating to the development of UIPM Sports in Bulgaria and the benefits of sport to wider society.

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President Radev wished success to all athletes participating in the Pentathlon World Cup and accepted a specially made plaque depicting the five disciplines of Modern Pentathlon created by founder Baron Pierre de Coubertin, which is unique in its kind, from President Dr Schormann.

President Dr Schormann said: “The Bulgarian State President, Mr Rumen Radev, kindly welcomed us in his office and we had a very stimulating discussion about the importance of sport in society, especially for younger generations.

“We also discussed the evolution Modern Pentathlon based on an innovative vision to bring new audiences to the Olympic Games and new athletes to our historic multi-sport.

“Bulgaria has become a pillar of our movement and this country has the potential to make UIPM

Sports available not only in a world-class Modern Pentathlon venue but also in parks, on beaches and in urban city venues.

“Sport can function as a powerful tool to build a solid base of athletes in Bulgaria, with many benefits for wider society.”

Shortly afterwards, Bulgaria Sports Minister Vesela Lecheva hosted another meeting with the UIPM and BMPF delegations and wished them success in the ongoing development of Modern Pentathlon in Bulgaria and worldwide.

Minister Lecheva, who was given a special award by President Dr Schormann, spoke about the importance of volunteers in the staging of sporting competitions and said that Bulgaria was proud to be entrusted with the hosting of an event as important as UIPM 2023 Pentathlon World Cup Sofia, especially as part of the Paris 2024 Olympic qualification pathway.

