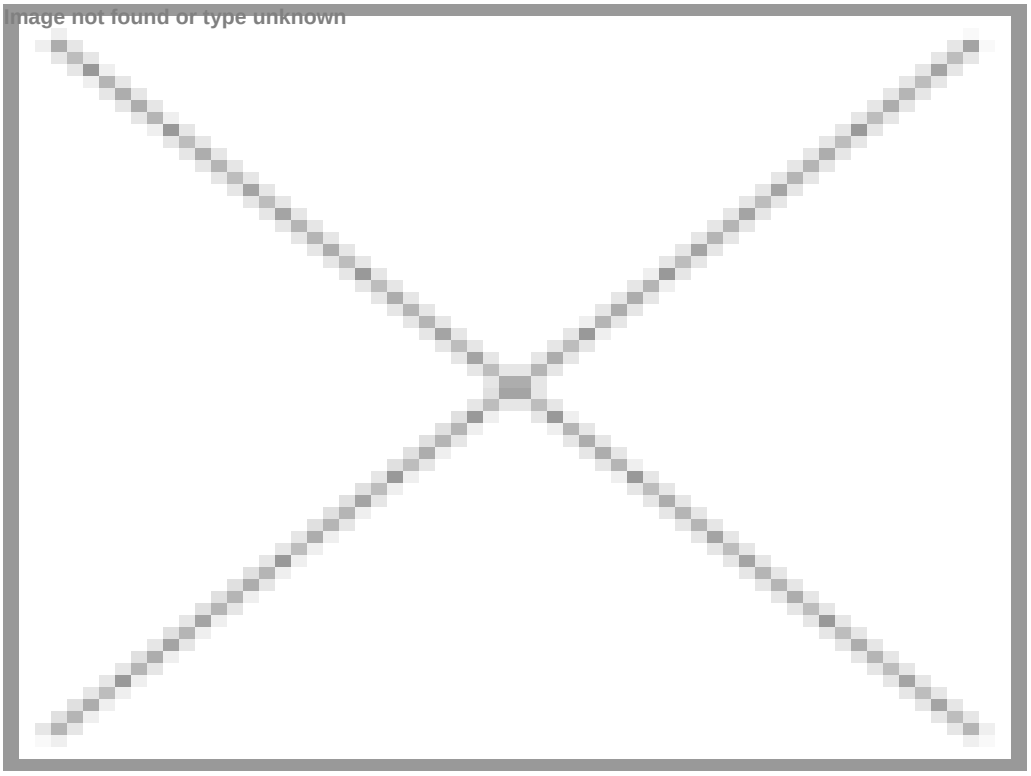
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A PASSION FOR PARIS: EPISODE 1 NOW AVAILABLE ON UIPM YOUTUBE



- Clouvel (FRA) on Paris 2024: “It’s a little girl’s dream to participate in the Olympics in her country, it’s unique in the world.”
- Micheli (ITA) on Modern Pentathlon: “It’s captivating, it’s fascinating, it’s entertaining. I fell in love with it since the first moment.”
- Hernandez (MEX) on family: “My brother Ismael motivates me every day to be a better person, he makes me feel that everything is possible.”

MONACO: April 15, 2024 – UIPM has released the first episode of a new TV show entitled *A Passion For Paris*, shining a spotlight on elite pentathletes as they prepare for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

The show merges athlete profile interviews with competition coverage and the first episode revolves around the season-opening UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cup Cairo. It features two-time world champion **Elena Micheli** of **Italy**, Rio 2016 silver medallist **Elodie Clouvel** of **France**, world silver medallist **Emiliano Hernandez** of **Mexico** and emerging talent **Changwan Seo** of **Korea**.

Highlights of the first episode of the six-part series include:

- Micheli (ITA) revealing her love for the sport on the eve of the competition. “It’s like a harmony. It’s something that you must love because it’s captivating, it’s fascinating, it’s entertaining. I fell in love with it since the first moment.”
- Micheli (ITA) suffering the shock setback of Semi-final elimination, and tearfully reflecting: “Definitely one of the most difficult days until now. It was really hard today … I just need to be a bit more patient, and calm.”
- Clouvel (FRA) opening up on the unique pros and cons of preparing for a home Olympics. “It's a little girl's dream to participate in the Olympic Games in her country, it's unique in the world. But it’s about being prepared: psychologically, mentally … because there’s a lot of pressure.”
- Hernandez (MEX) on following in the footsteps of his elder sibling, who put Mexican pentathlon on the map with bronze at Rio 2016. “My brother Ismael motivates me every day to be a better person, he makes me feel that everything is possible, he reminds me that you have to work day after day for that dream.”
- Seo (KOR) on the sky-high standards in place in one of pentathlon’s top-performing teams. “As a person, I am always serious and purposeful. As an athlete, I’m addicted to exercise and I train diligently.”

UIPM Athletes Committee Chair, Yasser Hefny OLY, commented: “I am thrilled about this latest innovation from the UIPM media team, who work hard all year to raise the profile of pentathletes worldwide. The first episode of *A Passion For Paris* contains some intriguing interviews and dramatic moments that help audiences get closer to the icons of our sport.”

A Passion For Paris: Episode 1 has been released to TV networks worldwide and is available to watch free on UIPM’s YouTube channel.

Episodes 2 and 3 will be filmed during the upcoming UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cups in Ankara (April 16-21) and Budapest (April 23-28).

Live coverage of all Semi-finals and Finals in the UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cup and World Championships is available to subscribers on UIPM TV where annual packages cost €14.99.