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PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC GAMES: MODERN PENTATHLON LINE-UP REVEALED

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- New world champions Seong (KOR) and Bohm (HUN) lead glittering array of talent
- Tokyo 2020 medallists French and Choong (GBR), Asadauskaite (LTU), Elgendy (EGY) and Jun (KOR) return
- President Schormann promises pentathletes a 'special experience'

The 72 athletes who will compete in Modern Pentathlon at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games have been named by the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne (UIPM).

The identity of the 36 female and 36 male* qualifiers was revealed in a short video published on UIPM's social media channels, kickstarting a one-month countdown to the Olympic Modern Pentathlon that will provide a fitting climax for the Games at the Palace of Versailles from August 8-11.

A glittering array of talent awaits spectators at the specially arranged Pentathlon Stadium in Paris (FRA) next month.

The 40-year-old **Laura Asadauskaite** of **Lithuania**, gold medallist at London 2012 and silver

medallist at Tokyo 2020, is poised to become the first woman and only the second pentathlete after Peter Macken of Australia to line up for five Olympic Games, having been selected alongside UIPM 2024 Pentathlon World Cup Final winner **Gintare Venckauskaite** (LTU).

At the other end of the age scale, 21-year-old **Seungmin Seong** of **Korea** will make her Olympic debut as the reigning world champion, while there are three teenage women in the field representing the next generation – **Malak Ismail** of **Egypt**, **Lucie Hlavackova** of **Czechia** and 16-year-old **Sol Naranjo** of **Ecuador**.

Carrying the hopes of the home nation will be Rio 2016 silver medallist **Elodie Clouvel** and 2018 European champion **Marie Oteiza** of **France**, while two-time world champion **Elena Micheli** lines up beside 2023 European Games winner **Alice Sotero** in a formidable **Italy** team. Tokyo 2020 champion **Kate French** of **Great Britain** returns for her third Games alongside debutante **Kerenza Bryson**.

