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CUBA'S LEYDI LAURA MOYA LÓPEZ NOMINATED AS YOG YOUNG ATHLETE AMBASSADOR

21-year-old 2010 Youth Olympic Games Modern Pentathlon champion Leydi Laura Moya López has been nominated by the Cuban Olympic Committee to be their Young athlete ambassador at this year's YOG in Nanjing, China.

The IOC's special Young Ambassadors will promote the Youth Olympic Games (YOG) and the Culture and Education Programme (CEP) of Nanjing 2014 in their own delegations. The IOC required more than 100 NOCs to nominate a young person (18-25 year's old), who will take on the role of encouraging young athletes in their delegation to take part in the CEP at the YOG Nanjing 2014 and to really get the most out of their YOG experience.

Leydi Laura Moya López becoming the Young Ambassador for Cuba is a recognition of her outstanding achievements for the Central American nation. Her gold medal in Singapore four years ago and her unquestionable promise means she was one of the frontrunners for this role. In 2013, Moya López showed her maturity with several exceptional performances, including winning the NORCECA Senior Championships and coming an impressive 11th at the end-of-year Champion of Champions in Doha, Qatar.

This appointment will only increase exposure for Modern Pentathlon in Cuba and the bubbly personality of Leydi Laura Moya López makes her the ideal candidate for the Young Ambassadors' role.