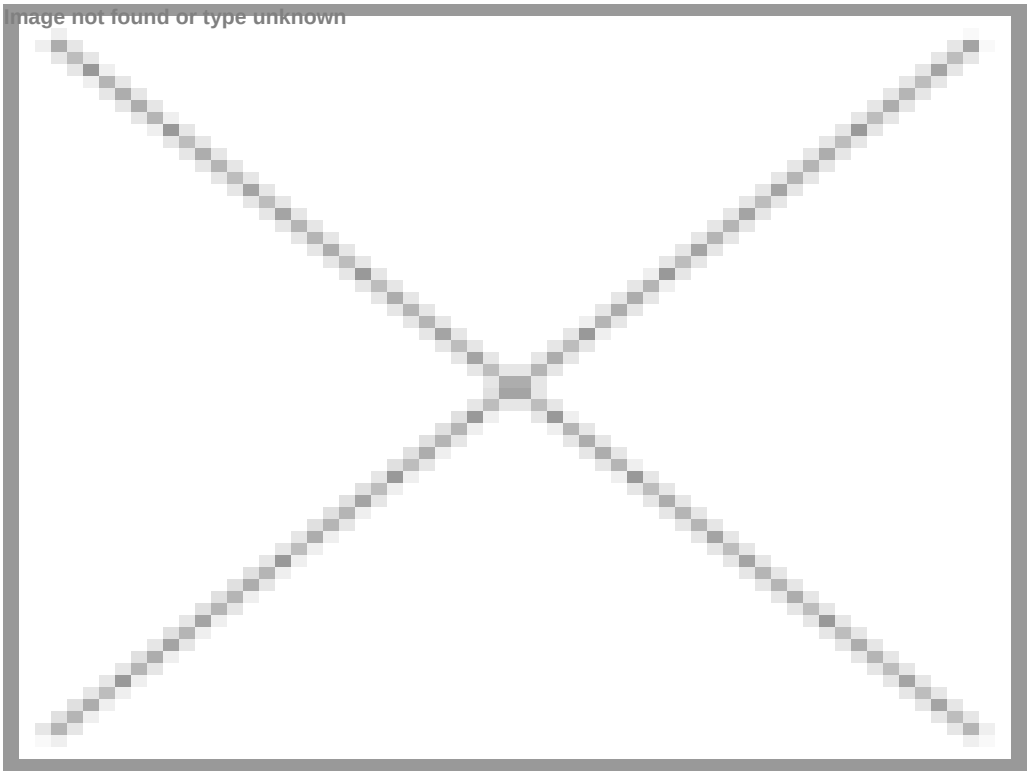
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UIPM 67TH CONGRESS: A NEW AND MODERN GOVERNANCE FOR THE UIPM

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Delegates of National Federations from around the world have voted for significant changes to the governance of Modern Pentathlon at the 67th UIPM Congress (November 7-8).

The Congress approved a number of motions designed to modernize the way the UIPM manages Modern Pentathlon and its sub-sports, including:

1. A comprehensive review and update of the entire structure of the UIPM, including changes to simplify and reduce the number of rules on internal organizations
2. Changes to the UIPM Biathle/Triathle competition rules
3. Adoption of a code of ethics in line with the latest IOC requirements that provides for a clear and efficient procedure in cases of litigation
4. A simplification of election rules for all elective seats within the UIPM

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Expansion was the main theme of the UIPM Congress 2015 as Dr Klaus Schormann, UIPM President, and Shiny Fang, Secretary General, reviewed another year of relentless progress and innovation and looked ahead to a bright future.

"With a strong vision, with a clear understanding that change is a certainty, and with a total commitment by all the family, modern pentathlon can and will be successful in retaining and gaining on its position after the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo and, in fact, being considered as an essential part of the Olympic program and one of the International Federations that has adapted itself successfully to the challenges of these times," said Secretary General Shiny Fang in her report to Congress.

"As we continuously improve our structures centrally and in every country, 'expanding' our reach is our real next frontier. The right choices in this area will make a huge difference in the lead up to Tokyo 2020, when the IOC will once again review the sports program, and in the long run, also

beyond 2020."

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Chinese Taipei played host to many important landmarks this weekend as UIPM delegates approved the membership of another six member nations: Bermuda, Afghanistan, Indonesia, Benin, Madagascar and Colombia.

During this congress, the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne (UIPM) has become the first International Federation to express its backing for the Declaration of Support for the Olympic Charter which was signed by Olympians representing all five continents at the inaugural World Olympians Forum organised by the World Olympians Association (WOA), in Moscow, Russia in October.

The two-day conference also revealed the winners of the 2015 UIPM awards and named the venues for numerous future UIPM competitions.

UIPM Awards 2015

Athlete of the Year

Men's senior: Pavlo Tymoshchenko (Ukraine)
Women's senior: Laura Asadauskaite (Lithuania)
Men's junior: Oleg Naumov (Russia)
Women's junior: Francesca Summers (Great Britain)
Best Modern Pentathlon Team: Russia

Coach of the Year: Jean-Pierre Guyomarch (France; coach to the 2016 Olympic-qualified athletes Valentin Prades and Valentin Belaud)

Best Contribution: LOC Pentathlon Canada (host of Pan-American Games, Toronto 2015)

Fair Play Award: Seamus Millett (USA; at the 2015 Youth A World Championships he turned down an awarded hit in the Fencing Bonus Round because it was achieved by touching the ground and not the athlete. He was defeated in the new bout.)

Best Overall Competition: 2015 UIPM World Cup Final, Minsk (Belarus)

Best-Promoted Competition: World Senior Championships, Berlin (Germany)

Best New Competition: Laser-Run World Championships, Perpignan (France)

Competitions Awarded

2016

UIPM Biathle-Triathle World Tour
Africa: Hurghada (Egypt)
Asia: Goa (India)
Europe: Graz (Austria)
NORCECA: Cuba
South America: Argentina

UIPM Laser Run World Championships
Lisbon (Portugal)

UIPM World Masters Championships
Prague (Czech Republic)

2017

UIPM World Cup #3
Drzonkow (Poland)

UIPM Junior World Championships
Szekesférhérvar (Hungary)

2018

UIPM World Cup
World Cup #1: Los Angeles (USA; awarded at 2014 Congress)
World Cup #2: Cairo (Egypt)
World Cup #3: Bath (Great Britain)
World Cup #4: Kecskemet (Hungary)

UIPM Junior World Championships
Kladno (Czech Republic)

UIPM Youth A World Championships
Guatemala City (Guatemala)

UIPM Biathle/Triathle Championships
Hurghada (Egypt)

UIPM Congress
Barcelona (Spain)

2019

UIPM World Cup
World Cup #1: Los Angeles (USA; awarded at 2014 Congress)
World Cup #2: Cairo (Egypt)
World Cup #3: Kladno (Czech Republic)
World Cup #4: Kecskemét (Hungary)

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