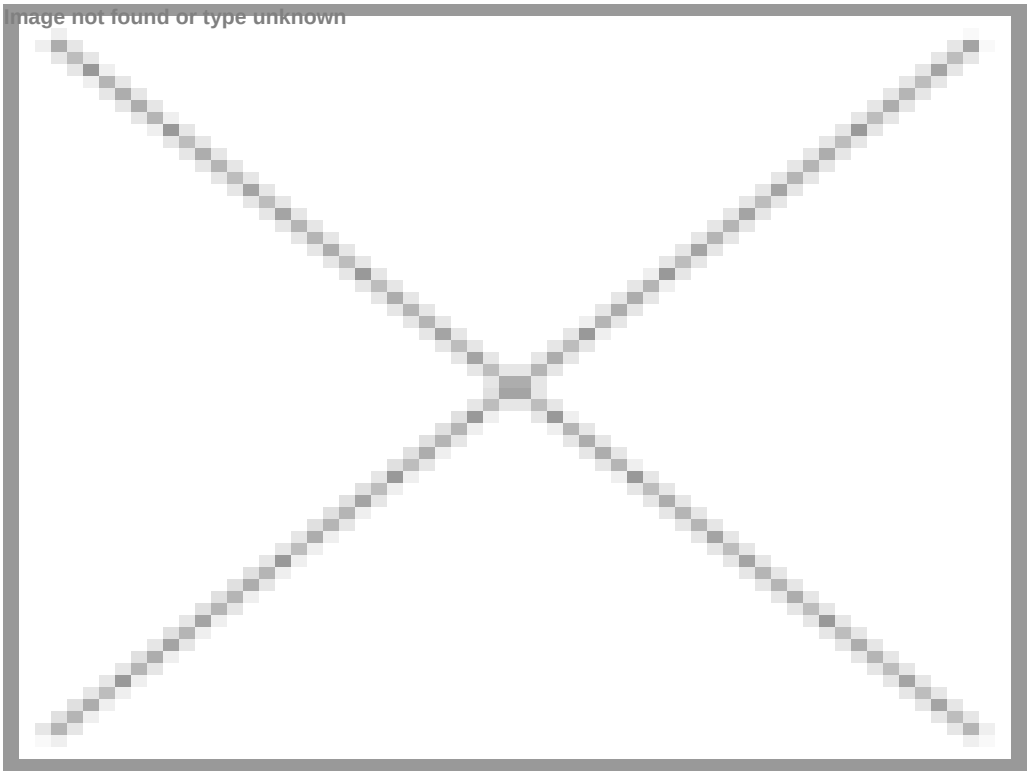
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SHINY FANG SIGNS UP FOR FOUR MORE YEARS AS UIPM SECRETARY GENERAL



The Executive Board of the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne (UIPM) has confirmed the reappointment of Secretary General, Mrs Shiny Fang, for a second Olympic cycle.

Mrs Fang, from China, will continue to lead UIPM throughout the four years leading up to and including the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo, a period in which UIPM will deliver on the implementation of the International Olympic Committee's Agenda 2020.

Dr Klaus Schormann, President of UIPM, said: "The reappointment of Shiny Fang is a statement to the Olympic Family of UIPM's confidence in the capacities of our Secretary General and it also demonstrates the stability of the UIPM.

"Over the past four years, she has led the UIPM Secretariat to new levels, helping UIPM and our members to grow. She has also worked efficiently with the President, the Treasurer, the members of the UIPM Executive Board and committees/commissions.

“We are certain that she will continue to do so also in the next cycle.”

Mrs Fang said: “Without doubt, the past four years have seen UIPM grow and flourish and we will continue to build on these strong foundations during the 2016-2020 Olympic cycle.

“It is a great honour and privilege to work on behalf of Modern Pentathlon, a core Olympic sport with a strong heritage that we will work to protect and respect. At the same time, we must look to the future and grow all of the UIPM sports by making them as accessible and inclusive as possible.

“I am grateful to the Executive Board for giving me the opportunity to continue in delivering the mission of UIPM.”

Joel Bouzou, Vice President and former Secretary General of UIPM, said: “Shiny has risen to the challenge of leading the UIPM Secretariat through a period of great transition and growth.

“I am sure the next Olympic cycle will see the UIPM continue to progress and prosper under Shiny’s administrative leadership.”

Shiny Fang, who took over as UIPM Secretary General in December 2012, is a former athlete in synchronized swimming and gymnastics aerobics before becoming a head coach and international judge.

She has a Bachelor’s degree in Sports Medicine and a Master’s degree in Sports Management & Industry, and she began her career in sports administration and international relations in 2004. Mrs Fang began assisting the UIPM President on International Affairs in 2008. She served as Vice Competition Manager for the 2008 Olympic Games (2007-2008), and Competition Manager for the 2010 Asian Games (2009-2010).

She was elected as Vice President of the International Cheer Union (2010-2018), and served as supervisor of Sports Presentation in a variety of multi-sport Games. She is currently an ASOIF Sports Development and Education Consultative Group Member.

Mrs Fang is married and has one son.