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TOUR DATES IN PLACE FOR UIPM LASER RUN, BIATHLE AND TRIATHLE IN 2019



From Cape Town to Tbilisi, from Panama City to Beijing, preparations are continuing in all corners of the world for the 3rd UIPM Global Laser Run City Tour.

With a truly global schedule and a growing band of devotees of all ages and social backgrounds, the urban sports phenomenon is poised in 2019 to enjoy its most successful year to date, with the calendar now available to view at **available to view**.



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2017 and 2018 the circuit visited all five continents, more than 60 countries and more than 100 cities. In 2019 another 100 cities have been selected and given the chance to host their own edition of either the popular Laser Run event or the Biathle/Triathle National Tour, helping to provide an entry point to UIPM Sports for people of all ages in communities around the world.

Outside of the GLRCT, Laser Run will have several unique opportunities to raise its global profile in 2019.

In September, the UIPM Laser Run World Championships will be incorporated into the Pentathlon World Championships for the first time in Margaret Island, Budapest (HUN), and Laser Run is on the programme for the 1st World Urban Games.

UIPM's pyramid of development sports exists to grow participation rates from the bottom up, offering all athletes a potential pathway to the Olympic sport of Pentathlon. And Laser Run is not the only one on the brink of an exciting year.



There will also be a first edition of the new Biathlon/Triathlon National Tour, which will begin in June 2019, visiting eight cities, leading up to the UIPM Biathlon/Triathlon World Championships in St Petersburg, Florida (USA) in October. The Biathlon and Triathlon calendars are now **available to view**.

Furthermore, Laser Run and Triathlon will both feature for the first time in the 30th Southeast Asian (SEA) Games in the Philippines.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: "On behalf of our global pentathlon community I am proud to say that we are making truly great strides in the development of our non-Olympic sports.

"Laser Run, Biathlon and Triathlon have created new possibilities for our movement and it will be wonderful to see so many people of different backgrounds, genders, ages and religions participating together throughout 2019."

Viacheslav Malishev, UIPM Executive Board Member for Development, added: "We are all looking forward to the 3rd UIPM Global Laser Run City Tour and the 1st Biathlon Triathlon National Tour in 2019.



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GLRCT has changed the landscape of our sport forever, with more than 100 cities around the world already introducing the popular and accessible sport of Laser Run to new urban communities and helping to grow our global participation base.

“Biathlon and Triathlon are development sports that give aspiring athletes a clear pathway towards Tetrathlon and our Olympic sport of Pentathlon, and the BTNT will help those sports to flourish and accelerate the pace of the UIPM development programme.

“Whether they are taking part in UIPM Sports for the first time or aiming for a medal at one of the UIPM World Championships, I wish all of our athletes around the world the very best for 2019.”

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann said: “UIPM competitions don’t only happen in stadiums and park venues, they can also take place on beaches and in cities. We are taking our sport to the people, rather than asking the people to come to us.”

For more information on UIPM’s various multi-discipline sports visit the UIPM website.

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