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GLORY FOR FOUR NATIONS AND POSITIVE SIGNS AS MASTERS COMPETITION FINALLY RESUMES IN MOLDOVA



Gold medals were shared by all four competing nations at the Open Moldavian Masters Championships which took place in the capital Chişinău October 22-23.

With participating athletes from the host nation of Moldova as well as Russia, Ukraine and Spain the competition saw seven events held across Pentathlon and Tetrathlon categories.

“After a long pause because of the COVID–19 pandemic situation this event has become a real holiday,” said Alexei Vasilianov, President of Moldavian Modern Pentathlon Federation. “We’ve waited for this event for two years and I am really happy to have seen my old friends and met new friends in Moldova.”

The competitions is a good sign for Masters event resumption and for the wider Masters

community in the anticipation of UIPM 2021 Masters World Championships, scheduled for June 19-24 next year in Hämeenlinna, Finland.

UIPM Masters Committee Chairman Peter Engerisser was delighted with the success of the event. "I'm extremely pleased, that Alexei took over the initiative to organize this competition during this difficult pandemic times and thus gave an excellent starting signal for Pentathlon Masters competition activities again," said Engerisser.

"This is a big achievement and success – even more, if this competition in Chisinau could be established as an integral part of our annual Masters competition calendar in future. Many thanks and congratulations to Alexei Vasilianov and his organisation team for making this possible."

The winners:

70+ Tetrathlon Aleksander KASATOV (Russia)

60+ Tetrathlon Micola KULIK (Ukraine)

60+ Pentathlon Serghei ASTASHOV (Russia)

50+ Tetrathlon Serghei KOSTROMICKII (Russia)

50+ Pentathlon Serghei RUSIN (Moldova)

40+ Tetrathlon Alexander BASKAKOV (Russia)

40+ Pentathlon Antonio SÁNCHEZ PARAJA (Spain)