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UIPM 2025 PENTATHLON JUNIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: MEN'S SEMI- FINALS



Reigning champion **Moutaz Mohamed** of **Egypt** will be the man to beat in the Men's Final after qualifying comfortably from the first of two intriguing Semi-finals at the UIPM 2025 Pentathlon Junior World Championships in Szekesfehervar (HUN).

Mohamed (EGY), who recently won his first senior Pentathlon World Cup gold medal, will hope that his all-round brilliance is enough to fend off 2023 U19 world champion **Etienne Clergeau** of **France** and disciplinary specialists such as **Juchan Lee** of **Korea** – who equalled the Junior Men's world record of 26 victories in the Fencing Seeding Round – and Obstacle fliers **Moustafa Abouamer** (EGY) and **Jonas Kalaminskas** of **Lithuania**.

Semi-final A

Carrying impressive momentum from the Fencing Seeding Round, where he equalled the Men's

Junior world record with 26V/9D, Lee (KOR) continued his supremacy in Direct Elimination where he won all four bouts to take the maximum 250 points forward. Mohamed (EGY), seeded 5th, enjoyed an important last-touch win over 4th seed **Andrey Bobrov** (AIN).

A testing Obstacle course brought out the best in the field with Kalaminskas (LTU) using his height to full advantage with an impressive 25.57sec – the fastest time of either Semi-final – gaining six more points than any other athlete. **Oleg Rybak** of **Ukraine** had similar success in Swimming with a standout time of 2min 06.13sec.

The Laser Run was relatively processional, with Mohammed (EGY) unsurprisingly making his way from 5th to a tie for 2nd, crossing the line together with Hassan (EGY), Rybak (UKR), Kalaminskas (LTU) and Bobrov (AIN).

But there was one dramatic storyline that brought a reward for the fastest runner. **Kivanc Tasyaran** of **Türkiye** snatched the 9th and final place in the Final, overtaking a stuttering **Denis Agavriloaie** of **Italy** at the final shoot to qualify with an excellent 10:33.90.



Semi-final B

Unlike in Semi-final A, there was an upset at the top of the draw as 1st seed **Danylo Sych** (UKR) was defeated 5-4 in the Round of 8 by Clergeau (FRA). The French athlete almost went all the way only to find an immovable object in the form of **Attila Marschall** of **Hungary**, who went unbeaten.

Characteristically, and having struggled in Fencing, Abouamer (EGY) made up considerable ground in Obstacle with a 25.75 that vaulted him into the top six overall, a position he further strengthened in Swimming where **Valery Shchukin** (AIN) was the fastest over the four 50m laps in 2:06.06.

Laser Run was interesting with plenty of transitions between the starting top nine and the chasing pack. **Ivan Manzananas** of **Spain** particularly caught the eye with a blistering 10:04.96 that enabled him to soar from 18th to 8th. Behind him there was a gripping battle for 9th, where **Yauheni Khviadchena** (AIN) gritted his teeth on the final lap to keep **Reuben Cawley** of **Great Britain** at bay.

At the front end, Clergeau (FRA) eased up to cross at ease with Sych and **Roman Popov** (UKR), Shchukin (AIN) and Abouamer (EGY).

[Click here](#) for a full list of the 18 athletes who qualified for the Men's Final.

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The UIPM 2025 Pentathlon Junior World Championships conclude on June 29, based on the following schedule (YouTube live coverage times in Central European Summer Time):

Sunday June 29: Women's Final (LIVE from 13:00); Men's Final (LIVE from 17:30).